



MISSA West Great Oaks Qualifier
Tier 2 – October 4-5, 2025
Sheridan Shore Sailing School
NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the 2025-2028 ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing, and will be run in accordance with the ISSA Procedural Rules, MISSA District Rules, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. In the event of a conflict between the governing documents, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.
- 1.3. The organizing authority is MISSA in conjunction with Sheridan Shore Sailing School.
- 1.4. In accordance with Rule 70.5(a) and ISSA PR 20, the decisions of the protest committee are final. US Sailing permission has been granted.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1 Competing high school teams must be members in good standing with MISSA and ISSA. A school that has been a continuous member of ISSA and has not qualified for the Mallory or Baker National Championships in the past 4 years is eligible to join.
- 2.2 A team of no fewer than 2 or more than 4 sailors who are full time students in the school they represent. Sailors must be in grades 9-12 to be eligible to compete. Only one team per school is allowed to compete.
- 2.3 MISSA Rules 10.5 is in effect. You must notify your acceptance to the national competition by the deadline, Tuesday, October 7th by Noon CST. The deadline may be extended by the MISSA District Director if the number of MISSA Berths to Great Oaks is not known at the time of the qualifier. The current number of berths allocated to MISSA West is 3.

3. REGISTRATION:

- 3.1 Teams planning on attending should register at the following link: [no later than 5pm, on Friday, September 26th.](#)

3. INTENDED FORMAT:

- 3.1 If less than 18 teams enter, the fleet will not be split into divisions and will sail as many single division races as allowed to determine the teams who advance to Great Oaks Regatta in New Orleans.
- 3.2 If more than 18 teams enter, we will draw schools randomly to place them into a RED or GREEN division. A maximum of 8 races will be sailed in red and green divisions in order to qualify for GOLD and SILVER divisions.

3.3. Gold and silver fleet races will begin promptly upon completion of the qualification series. Scores from red and green races will not be carried into the Gold and Silver rounds.

3.4 If the gold and silver split occurs, a minimum of 3 qualification races in each fleet and one gold fleet race must be sailed to constitute a regatta and to select the Great Oaks Invitational qualifying teams.

4. COACHING:

4.1 All Coaches must bring a safety boat for going afloat each day, as dependent on conditions, sailors may stay on the water all day. Boats may be provided for teams traveling from more than 4 hours away. Please contact katie@sheridanshore.org if you would like to borrow a coach boat for the weekend.

5. ENTRY:

5.1 Each team must register online by Friday, September 26th at 8pm CST at the following link: The entry fee is \$100 per team.

6. BOATS:

6.1 420s will be sailed as-is. Any previously existing damage should be reported upon launching. Any new damage should be reported between races to a Sheridan Shore representative on the dock.

6.2 By registering for this event, teams agree to pay the full amount of any damage caused in an incident where damage is directly attributed to their actions. Team representatives and coaches will be contacted as soon as reasonably possible after the damage occurs to inform them of impending charges for damage.

7. SCHEDULE:

7.1 Saturday 10/4

0830 - 0900 – Check-in and Rigging of Boats

0900 – Coaches Meeting

0915 – Competitor's Meeting

1000 – First Warning

Sunday 10/5

0830 - 0900 – Report & Rigging of Boats

1000 – First Warning

1430 – No warning signal after this time

8. REGATTA CONTACTS:

Regatta chair: Katie Tinder – katie@sheridanshore.org 651-491-9994.