



MISSA SW Great Lakes Qualifier

Tier 2 - September 26-27, 2026

Sheridan Shore Sailing School

NOTICE OF RACE (NOR)

1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing*, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the ISSA Code of Conduct, the MISSA Supplemental Rules, the Scholastic Dinghy Class Rules as well as this Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SIs).

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.

1.5 The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available by 1700 on Friday, September 25th, 2026.

2. QUALIFICATION

2.1. This event is a Qualifier for the Great Lakes Championship and the Shepherd Championship. 1st-4th place teams will earn a berth to the Great Lakes Championship, and 5-7th place teams will earn berths to the Shepherd Championship. Berths not accepted in accordance with MISSA Rule 5.10 will be reallocated by the MISSA District Director.

3. ELIGIBILITY

3.1. Competing schools must be members of ISSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules prescribed in the Procedural Rules Part III.

3.2. Only MISSA Southwest District teams are eligible for this regatta.

3.3. All teams are required to have a designated on-water coach for safety and boat rotations.

3.4 Only one team per school is allowed to participate in this event.

3.5 Only 9-12 graders from the same school may participate in this event, no mixed teams or 8th graders are allowed to compete.

4. REGISTRATION

4.1. Teams can enter by paying the Entry Fee and registering here:

<https://sheridanshore.org/register/regatta/gP8epe4AR1/class> by 1700 (5:00pm) CST on Friday, September 18th.

4.2. All entry fees are nonrefundable after 1700 Central time on Friday, September 18th.

Registrations are not transferable between teams.

5. ENTRY FEE

5.1. The Entry Fee is \$100 per team through September 9th, prices increase by \$25 on September 10th.

6. DAMAGE DEPOSIT

6.1 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. BOATS

7.1. Sheridan Shore Sailing School will provide C420s and sails, boats and sails will be used as provided.

7.2. Coaches must bring soft-sided coach boats capable of on-the-water rotations in Lake Michigan Conditions.

8. SCHEDULE

Saturday 9/26

0830 - 0900 – Check-in and Rigging of Boats

0900 – Competitor's Meeting

1000 – First Warning

Sunday 9/27

0830 - 0900 – Report & Rigging of Boats

1000 – First Warning

1430 – No warning signal after this time

9. AWARDS

9.1. Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 teams overall and 1st place in each division.

10. RISK STATEMENT

10.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, decision to race.

10.2 By completing the e-waiver sent after registration is submitted, all sailors and coaches participating in a regatta sponsored by the Sheridan Shore Sailing School and conducted at, adjacent to, and through the facilities of the Wilmette Harbor Association ("WHA") and the Wilmette Harbor Club ("WHC"), each participant agrees to the following:

10.2 (a) I will abide by the rules and regulations of the SSSS, the WHA, and the WHC.

10.2 (b) I understand that, because of the nature of sailing, competitive sailboat racing and the "MISSA Great Lakes Qualifier" regatta, there is a risk of physical injury on shore and off shore during the regatta. I hereby release and agree not to sue SSSS, WHA, WHC, Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago ("MWRD"), NSA Properties, Inc. ("NSA"), and their employees, subcontractors, sponsors, agents, affiliates, directors, members (except in their capacity as race competitors), event volunteers, counsel or attorneys (collectively, "Releasees")

from all present and future claims that may be made by me, my family, estate, heirs or assigns for property damage, personal injury, or wrongful death arising out of my participation in the regatta, including, but not limited to, claims arising out of or resulting from (1) acts, inactions, equipment, property (including adjacent property) or other facilities of Releasees or any of them, and (2) any acts or inactions by me, my crew or my guests, wherever, whenever, or however the same may occur.

10.2 (c) I understand and agree that the Releasees are not responsible for any personal injury or property damage arising out of the regatta, even if caused by their ordinary negligence; provided, however, that I do not release any claims or rights against any competitors in the regatta for any wrongful acts by them, including damage to property or personal injury. I understand that participation in the regatta involves certain risks, including but not limited to serious injury. I, by voluntarily participating in the regatta with knowledge of the danger involved, agree to accept all risks of such participation.

10.2 (d) I have read this form and understand by registering for this regatta that I am giving up and releasing rights and remedies for all sailors and teams I am registering.

11. REGATTA CONTACT

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