



2026 MISSA East Great Lakes Last Chance Qualifier – Tier 2 Regatta

Cornwell Sailing Center on Boardman Lake
650 Hannah Ave.
Traverse City, MI 49686

October 10-11, 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the ISSA Procedural Rules, the MISSA By-Laws and District Rules, this Notice of Race and the Sailing instructions. In the case of a conflict between the governing documents and the Sailing Instructions, the latter shall take precedence.
- 1.2 In accordance with rule 70.5 (a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US Sailing's permission has been granted.
- 1.3 RRS 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: "(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident,"
- 1.4 The organizing authority is the Midwest Interscholastic Sailing Association (MISSA), in conjunction with Traverse City Area High School sailing and Traverse Area Community Sailing.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Competing schools must be members of MISSA. This is a tier 2 fleet race regatta.
- 2.2 The qualifier is open to high schools in the MISSA NE and SE Leagues.
- 2.3 Eligible schools may only enter one team. A team shall have no fewer than 4 sailors and no more than 8.
- 2.4 Sailors must be in grades 9 through 12.
- 2.5 No mixed teams.

3. REGISTRATION, ENTRY FEE & DEADLINE

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$70 per competitor. There will be no food at this regatta.
- 3.2 All Registrations will be via the **UltraCamp** link: (you will need to use a previously set up account or create one for this and future visits up north)
<https://www.ultracamp.com/info/sessiondetail.aspx?idCamp=1462&campCode=UAV&idSession=587011>

3.3 Deadline for registration is October 4, 2026, by 1700.

4. BOATS AND FORMAT

- 4.1 TACS will provide 20 420's and sails to be used throughout the regatta. Boats will be sailed as provided.
- 4.2 The Regatta will consist of A and B divisions of 420's (no trapeze, spinnakers or mainsheet bridles). Round-Robin format. Three races A and B constitute a regatta.

5. BOAT DAMAGE

- 5.1 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.
- 5.2 In the event damage cannot be attributed to a particular team, the repair cost will be divided evenly among all the competing teams.

6. SCHEDULE

Saturday October 10, 2026

- 8:30 Check-in. Immediately rig boats after check-in.
 - 9:10 Competitor's meeting in the boathouse near flagpole, boats should be launched as soon as possible following the competitor's meeting.
 - 9:57 First Warning
 - 12:00 Lunch (on your own, there is no food provided at this regatta) should be eaten on the dock between rotations.
- Racing shall continue until there is a consensus that enough races have been completed.

Sunday October 11, 2026

- 8:50 Rig boats
- 9:10 Competitor's meeting on in the boathouse near the flagpole.
- 9:57 First Warning
- 12:00 Lunch (on your own) should be eaten on the dock in between rotations.
- 14:00 No warning signal after this time.

Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board located on the whiteboard in the boathouse at the base of the stairs. The protest board is located in the boat house below the stairs.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the white board in the pavilion and available via Techscore Thursday, October 8, 2026.

8. VENUE and RACING AREA

- 8.1 The venue will be at Cornwell Sailing Center on Boardman Lake near downtown Traverse City. The Race Committee will attempt to set up the courses near the dock at the north end of the lake to accommodate spectating.

9. COURSES

- 9.1 Based on conditions, the Race Committee will determine courses in accordance with the ISSA Procedural Rules (PR).

10. SCORING

- 10.1 Scoring will be done in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules

11. SUPPORT BOATS and COACHING

- 11.1 Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from reporting time Saturday until regatta ending time Sunday unless explicitly permitted by the regatta chairperson. The penalty for failing to comply with the requirement may be the disqualification of all boats, competitors, and teams associated with the infringing support personnel.

12. **HOTELS:** Many to choose from in the TC area.

Brio Beach Inn 231-844-9171

Sleep Inn 231-938-7000

13. PRIZES

- 13.1 Prizes will be awarded to teams placing 1st, 2nd, 3rd place overall in the regatta.
- 13.2 This is the last chance qualifier for the Great Lakes Championship in Chicago on Oct. 24-25 or the Shepherd Oct 31 – Nov 1. 1st and 2nd place earn berths to the GLC. 3rd place earns a berth to the Shepherd. More berths may be awarded later based upon the ability to participate.
- 13.3 Advancing teams must notify the MISSA District Director and MISSA East League Representative by noon Central time on Tuesday, October 13, 2026.

14. OFFICIAL NOTICE

- 14.1 No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, marijuana or any other controlled substance, as defined in 21 U.S. code 802, the possession of which is unlawful under U.S. code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use.) An alleged breach of this procedural rule shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when a report is received from any source, alleging such a breach, a protest committee consisting of the regatta chairperson of the protest committee shall follow the process described in RRS 69.1 (b). If a hearing under RRS 69 is held, a competitor found to have breached this procedural rule shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practical, be removed from the regatta venues and sent home. Additional penalties consistent with RRS 69.2 may be imposed on the competitor or the competitor's team. This regulation is in effect during the entire event from the date and time of arrival through the date and time of departure from the regatta site.

15. RIGHTS TO NAME AND LIKENESS

- 15.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.

16.2 The race organizers (Organizing Authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, or any other organization or official) will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in the event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

16.3 Participants and parents must complete and sign the Participant/Parent Liability Waiver and Acknowledgement of Risk form and submit this completed form at Registration.

17. REGATTA CONTACTS

Regatta Chairpersons:	Ben Ferris	231-499-7692	bferris@gtacs.org
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