



MISSA East Baker Team Race
Michigan Pre-Qualifier
Grosse Pointe Yacht Club
788 Lake Shore Road Grosse Pointe Shores, Michigan 48236
April 10-11, 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including Appendix D, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the MISSA By-Laws and District Rules, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions. In the event 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) and ISSA PR 20, decisions of the protest committee are final. US Sailing permission has been granted.
- 1.3 The Organizing Authority is the Midwest Interscholastic Sailing Association (MISSA), in conjunction with Grosse Pointe Yacht Club (GPYC) and Grosse Pointe South Varsity Sailing.
- 1.4 This is a team racing event. Races will be umpired according to RRS Appendix D2

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 This event is open to Michigan High Schools who are members of MISSA.
- 2.2 This is a Tier 2 regatta.
- 2.3 A team shall have no fewer than six sailors and a maximum of 9 sailors.
- 2.4 Sailors must be in grades 9-12. No mixed teams.

3. ENTRY

- 3.1 Each school will enter one team, with or without alternates.
- 3.2 Entry deadline is 1700h EST. April 3, 2026
- 3.3 Eligible teams must officially register online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/missa-ne-baker-pre-qualifier-regatta-tickets-1982362460483?aff=oddtcreator>
- 3.4 When registering, please also include the name of the team purchaser is affiliated with during the check out process. The team name can be added to "last name" field.



3.5 Complete team rosters shall be emailed to cnoland@gpyc.org by 1800 EST. Wednesday, April 8, 2026.

3.6 Entered teams unable to compete must notify the Regatta Chairperson as soon as possible. All entry fees are final and nonrefundable after 1701h EST. April 3, 2024. Registrations are not transferrable between teams.

4. FEES

4.1 The entry fee is \$65 per sailor. Lunch will be provided for all competitors and one coach per team.

4.2 Each team must submit a refundable boat damage deposit of \$400 no later than 0930 Friday, April 10 2026.

4.3 Damage Deposits will only be receivable in the form of a check made out to “GPYC” with “Team Name DD” in the memo line.

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

5. BOATS & CREW LIMITATIONS

5.1 420Es shall be sailed as provided.

5.2 No changes or modifications to rigging or boats are permitted. Teams violating this rule may be disqualified from the regatta.

5.3 Substitutions for the regatta will follow the ISSA PR 4.2 – “In Team Racing, substitutions are unlimited.”

6. SAFETY

6.1 Personal Floatation Devices must be worn in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rule 2.2.

6.2 Kill cords shall be attached by all power boat operators while the engine is running.

6.3 Due to water temperature, competitors are required:

i. To provide their own dry suit and have it on hand at the venue on each day of racing as per ISSA PR 2.3

ii. On each day of racing, the OA will announce whether dry suits will be required to be worn by competitors racing on that day



iii. Competitor's failure to wear a dry suit while racing on a day where dry suits are required by the OA will result in automatic DSQ scored by the RC without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1

7. SCHEDULE

Friday April 10

0815 Check-in & rigging of boats at GPYC – MAC (Marine Activities Center)

0900 Competitors Meeting at East Wall in front of GPYC MAC/near floating dock. Boats should be launched as soon as possible following the competitor's meeting.

0930 First Warning

Racing will continue through the day.

A round robin event is planned with a possible Gold Round, or a sail-off if deemed necessary.

It is the OA's intention to continue Baker Saturday morning.

Modification is possible due to weather conditions

Saturday, April 11

0800 Report to GPYC MAC for rigging

0900 First Warning.

Continue Baker

No earlier than 11am will be the start of Mallory.

Awards for Baker to follow racing.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board in the GPYC MAC, and available via Techscore.

9. VENUE

9.1 The event will take place at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, Marine Activity Center

10. RACE AREA & COURSES

10.1 The race committee anticipates using the prescribed course according to ISSA PR 7.8. Digital N.



10.2 The event shall be sailed on the waters of Lake St. Clair, in reasonable proximity to the GPYC MAC.

11. FORMAT & SCORING

11.1 The format will be decided by the PRO & OA based on the time and weather conditions and team participation.

11.2 The preferred format is as follows: A minimum of one full Round Robin followed by the top teams in a single Round Robin "Gold Fleet" &/or sail-off if deemed necessary.

11.3 If the above is not possible in the allotted time, an alternate format will be announced by the PRO & OA to provide maximum racing.

11.4 Scoring will be done in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules

12. SUPPORT BOATS and COACHING

12.1 Rotations will take place ashore. Guest teams are not required to bring a coach boat.

12.2 Teams are expected to be ready and on time to their boat(s) rotations. Boat rotations are expected to be prompt, as to not hold up racing.

12.2 Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from reporting time Friday until regatta ending time Saturday, 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.

13. PRIZES

13.1 Prizes shall be awarded to the top 3 teams placing overall in the regatta.

13.2 This event is a qualifier for the MISSA Baker Qualifier April 25-26. Berths will be allocated in accordance with MISSA Supplemental Rule 5.5 and must be accepted in accordance with MISSA Supplemental Rule 5.10.

13.3 If the Racing Rules of Sailing, ISSA Procedural Rules, and MISSA Supplemental Rules cannot determine the teams moving to the MISSA Baker Qualifier, selections will be made by ranking the teams which qualified for, registered, and paid to attend the MISSA Michigan Baker Pre-Qualifier according to the most recent published MISSA Rankings and awarding berths accordingly.

13. OFFICIAL NOTICE



13.1 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.

14. RIGHTS TO NAME AND LIKENESS

14.1 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.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.
15.2 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. REGATTA CONTACTS

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