MISSA Keelboat Championship
Bayview Yacht Club
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 Supplemental 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 US Sailing prescription to 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 Bayview Yacht Club (BYC) and Grosse Pointe South Varsity Sailing.

1.4 Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: "(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 as is from a boat that was neither involved in nor saw the incident, or"

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1 This event is open to all MISSA teams in good standing.

2.2 This is a Tier 2 fleet race regatta.

2.3 A team shall be a crew of 4, and at least one girl and one boy must be in the crew at all times. One alternate sailor is permitted.

2.4 The team weight limit for Nationals is 650 lbs. There will not be a weigh-in or limit for this qualifier; however, teams unable to comply with the limit should not accept the berth to Nationals.

2.5 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 Monday October 5 1800 est.

3.3 Eligible teams must officially register online at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/missa-keelboat-qualifier-2026-tickets-2001079674173?aff=erelexpmlt

Please list school name when registering.

3.4 Complete team rosters shall be emailed to cnoland@gpyc.org by Wednesday, October 7 1800 est.

3.5 Entered teams unable to compete must notify the Regatta Chairperson as soon as possible. All entry fees are final and nonrefundable after Wednesday, October 7 1801 est. Registrations are not transferrable between teams.

3.6 The judge team intends to enforce RRS 61.1a(2) in hearings, competing teams must bring a red flag

4. FEES

4.1 The entry fee is $300 per team. Lunch will not be provided, but will be available to purchase from the club.

4.2 Each team must submit a refundable boat damage deposit of $2500 prior to going afloat.

4.3 The refundable boat damage deposit and waiver form must be submitted at regatta checkin. Schools that fail to do so will not compete. The deposit is refundable provided all equipment and boats are returned undamaged. All boats will be inspected prior to and after sailing for preexisting and new damage. One credit card authorization per team must be provided using the Bayview Yacht Club waiver form.

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

5.1 Eight (8) U20s shall be sailed as provided.

5.2 Asymmetrical spinnakers are included on the boats.

6. SAFETY

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

7. SCHEDULE

Saturday October 10
0800 Team Check-In and rigging of boats
0845 Coaches Meeting
0900 Competitors Meeting
0930 First Warning, Races to continue through the day

Sunday October 11

0800 Arrival and rigging

0830 Competitors Meeting
0900 First Warning
1500 No race started after this time

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board available via Techscore.

9. VENUE

9.1 The event will take place at Bayview Yacht Club

10. RACE AREA & COURSES

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

10.2 The event shall be sailed on the waters of the Detroit River and/or Lake St. Clair adjacent to Bayview Yacht Club.

11. FORMAT & SCORING

11.1 The format will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

11.2 There will be no registration cap. If less than 16 teams are registered, a single round-robin shall be used, with BYEs in the rotation if necessary. If 16 or more teams are registered, the field shall be split into two independent qualifying rounds, with subsequent gold “championship” and/or silver rounds.

11.3 Scoring will be done in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules

12. SUPPORT BOATS and COACHING

12.1 It is the intention of the OA to hold on-shore rotations. Guest teams are not required to bring coach boats.

12.2 Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area between 8:00 a.m. Saturday and the end of the regatta unless explicitly permitted by the regatta chairperson. The penalty for failing to comply with this 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.

13.3 This regatta is a qualifier for the ISSA National Keelboat Invitational at St. Petersburg Yacht Club, Florida on December 12-13, 2026. If the berth is not accepted by the deadline it will be offered to the next qualified team by the MISSA President. If additional berths become available to MISSA, they will be offered to teams in the order of finish. Berths must be accepted in accordance with MISSA Supplemental Rule 5.9.

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 as 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, a member of the ISSA Board of Directors, and the chairperson of the protest committee, shall follow the process described in RRS 69.1(b). If a hearing under RRS69is 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. HOUSING

Housing will not be provided. Teams traveling from outside the area may wish to consider the following lodging options. The hotels listed below are examples only and are not officially affiliated with or endorsed by the regatta.

- Downtown Detroit — Recommended for walkability and activities: Downtown offers a safe, lively, and highly walkable home base, with many restaurants, shops, entertainment destinations, and professional sports venues located close together. It is a particularly convenient choice for teams and families who would like plenty to do without having to drive between activities. Downtown is approximately a 15-minute drive from Bayview Yacht Club. Hotel options include the Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center, Shinola Hotel, Atheneum Suite Hotel, Hollywood Casino at Greektown Hotel, and MGM Grand Detroit. As in any urban area, teams should use normal precautions and ensure that students remain appropriately supervised.
- Roseville — Recommended for value: Roseville offers a selection of familiar chain hotels, generally at more affordable rates than downtown, along with convenient access to casual restaurants and shopping. It is approximately a 20–25-minute drive from Bayview Yacht Club. Options include the Holiday Inn Express & Suites Detroit North–Roseville, Super 8 by Wyndham Roseville/Detroit Area, and Quality Inn Roseville–Detroit North.
- The Grosse Pointes — Recommended for short-term rentals and proximity: Teams interested in Airbnb or other short-term rentals should consider Grosse Pointe Park, the City of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, and Grosse Pointe Shores. These communities offer an attractive small-town atmosphere, with neighborhood shopping districts, restaurants, cafés, and easy access to the waterfront. Most locations are approximately 10–15 minutes from Bayview Yacht Club, making this the closest and most convenient option for many teams. Great for large groups Rental Rental 1, Fun Motor City Theme for Large Groups, Rental for Smaller Groups

17. REGATTA CONTACTS

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