



# INTERLAKE SAILING CLASS ASSOCIATION 2023 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA GRAND TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB

JULY 28TH - AUGUST 1ST – WEST GRAND TRAVERSE BAY – TRAVERSE CITY MI  
ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: INTERLAKE SAILING CLASS ASSOCIATION  
HOST: GRAND TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. AUTHORITY & VENUE

- 1.1 The Interlake Sailing Class Association is the Organizing Authority (OA) and the Grand Traverse Yacht Club (GTYC) is the host.
- 1.2 On-shore functions for the 2023 Interlake Nationals will be at the Grand Traverse Yacht Club located at 13653 S. West Bay Shore Drive, Traverse City, MI 49684. Phone: 231-946-9776.
- 1.3 The races will be conducted in the waters south of the Red 8 government mark on West Grand Traverse Bay of Lake Michigan (See Attachment A for reference), accessible from GTYC.
- 1.4 Competitors will trailer launch and haul-out from dry storage at GTYC, unless boats make other arrangements and notify the the race committee of their intentions and location.
- 1.5 Auxiliary and temporary storage will be available at GTYC's Bluewater Hall location at 13424 S. West Bay Shore Drive.
- 1.6 Webpages:  
Class: [interlakesailing.org](http://interlakesailing.org)  
Host: [gtyc.org](http://gtyc.org)  
Event: [gtyc.org/interlakenationals](http://gtyc.org/interlakenationals)
- 1.7 Online Entry, Notice Board, Results, & Information:  
<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15756>

### 2. RULES & SCORING

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and the rules of the ISCA for sanctioned events.
- 2.2 The prescriptions of US Sailing to rules: 60, 63.1, & 63.2.a shall not apply.
- 2.3 Race Signal AP – when displayed ashore, 'one minute' is replaced by 'sixty minutes'.

- 2.4 “If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI), the SI shall apply” is added to RRS 63.7.
- 2.5 The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: ‘A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.’
- 2.6 “A boat intending to protest shall notify the RC Signal Vessel of her intention to protest and the sail number of the boat she is intending to protest after clearing the finish line. She may do this via hail to the RC Signal Vessel or by using the VHF radio channel assigned to her fleet” is added to RRS 61.
- 2.5 “Boats failing to display required advertising or bow numbers shall not be protested by other boats” is added to RRS 60.1.a.
- 2.6 Article III Hulls and Spars, #14,c, is changed to allow VHF radios to be powered “on” while racing to allow for incoming communication from the Race Committee. As described in the Interlake Specifications Art III sect 14.e., the RC intends to communicate with competitors using VHF. The RC may transmit via VHF radio information concerning safety, OCS boats, and general information to assist in the management of the event. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make or receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. VHF Channel will be available in the sailing instructions.
- 2.7 Three races are required to be completed in the Champions and Challengers Series to constitute a series. If four or fewer races are completed in the Championship or Challengers Series, a boat’s series score shall be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.1.
- 2.8 One race is required to be completed in the Junior and Women’s Championship Series to constitute a series. A boat’s series score shall be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.1.

### **3. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available at Noon on Friday, July 21, 2023, on the event page of [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com) and [GTYC.org/interlakenationals](http://GTYC.org/interlakenationals)

### **4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY**

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all members of the ISCA that meet the requirements for sanctioned events contained in Article V of the ISCA Constitution.
  - 4.1.1 The Women’s Championship is open to all female skippers. There are no gender restrictions for crew.
  - 4.1.2 The Junior Championship is open to all skippers under the age of 20 years of age on July 29, 2023. There are no age restrictions on crew.
  - 4.1.3 The Master Championship is open to all skippers who are at least 60 years of age on July 30, 2023. There are no age restrictions on crew.

- 4.2 Registration shall be available online at: [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com)
- 4.3 GTYC will provide computer resources during the scheduled Check-In hours to enable competitor registrations and amend entries.
- 4.4 Entries for the Championship and Challenger Fleets must be received on or before June 30, 2023 to receive the Registration discount
- 4.5 Entry deadlines for the Women's and Junior Championship are at 1030 hours on July 29, 2023.
- 4.6 A boat is considered registered when the OA has received her completed entry form, forms required by ISCA Rules, proof of insurance form, and a signed Waiver of Liability.

## 5. FEES

- 5.1 The Entry Fee for competitors in the Champions or Challengers Division is US \$200.00 if received by Friday, June 30, 2023.
- 5.2 The Entry Fee for competitors in the Champions or Challengers Division is US \$250.00 if received between Saturday, July 1, 2023 and July 29, 2023.
- 5.3 The Entry Fee for competitors in the Women's Championship or Junior Championship is US \$25.00, due by Saturday, July 29, 2023, 1030 hrs.

## 6. ADVERTISING

- 6.1 Advertising shall not be allowed on hulls, masts or sails, with the exception of registered Junior Division competitors.
- 6.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority (OA).

## 7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 The total number of races attempted each day for the Champions Division is nominally three and up to five. The total number of races each day for the Challengers Division may be one less per day than the number of races for the Champions Division.
- 7.2 The total number of races to be attempted for the Women's and Junior Championships is nominally three and up to five.

Friday 7/28/2023

1600 - 2100 hrs Check-in & Measurement

1700 - 2100 hrs GTYC Bar & Dining Room open (Dinner served 5:30-7:30)

Saturday 7/29/2023

- 0900 – 1800 hrs Check-in & Measurement\*
- 1100 hrs Competitors Meeting - Juniors & Women divisions
- 1230 hrs\*\* Earliest Possible First Warning Signal- Juniors & Women divisions
- 1900 hrs\*\*\* Welcome BBQ Dinner;  
Competitors Meeting for Championship & Challengers divisions.  
BBQ Dinner included with registration.

Sunday 7/30/2023

- 1330 hrs\*\* First Warning Signal - Championship & Challengers divisions  
Races to follow  
*Dinner on your own "Out on the Town"*

Monday 7/31/2023

- 1330 hrs\*\* Earliest Possible First Warning Signal - Championship & Challengers divisions — races to follow
- 1900 hrs\*\*\*\* Banquet Dinner and Annual Class Meeting.  
Banquet Dinner tickets sold separately (details pending)

Tuesday 8/1/2023

- 1000 hrs\*\* Earliest Possible First Warning Signal - Championship & Challengers divisions — races to follow.
- 1400 hrs No warning signals after this time.  
*Awards and lunch to follow ASAP after racing.*  
*Lunch included with registration.*

- \* Registration & Measurement for Juniors & Women divisions will close at 1030
- \*\* Timing of First Warning Signal is subject to change as circumstances and conditions warrant.
- \*\*\* or after Juniors & Women finish, whichever is later
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## 8. CREW LIMITATIONS

In accordance with Article VI Section 1 of the ISCA Bylaws, the crew for each race must be name prior to the close of registration on July 30, 2023 at 1800 for Champions and Challengers divisions or at 1030 for Women's and Juniors divisions.

## 9. COMMUNICATION

- 9.1 In accordance with Article III Section 14 of the ISCA Specifications, the Race Committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 9.2 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.1 Each boat must complete the boat and sail measurement forms supplied at registration before the close of registration.
- 10.2 Each boat must carry the equipment specified in Article VI Section 4 of the ISCA Bylaws while racing.

## 11. COURSES

- 11.1 The race courses will be either a four leg windward-leeward course (with offset & gate) or a five-leg triangular/windward-leeward course (no offset or gate) using inflatable drop marks.
- 11.2 The number of legs per race will not be shortened while racing.

## 12. RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.'
- 12.2 By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

## 13. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## 14. PRIZES

- 14.1 Championship Skipper and Crew Perpetual Trophies – awarded to the Skipper and Crew placing first in the Championship Division.
- 14.2 Individual trophies to the Skipper and Crew placing 1 - 10 in the Championship Fleet.
- 14.3 Best First Nationals Award for Skipper and Crew outside of the top ten places.
- 14.4 Challenger Perpetual Trophy - awarded to the Skipper and Crew placing first in the Challenger Division.
- 14.5 Individual trophies to the Skippers and Crew placing 1 – 3 in the Challenger Division.
- 14.6 Persistence Award, perpetual trophy, given to the sailor who finishes all the events races with the highest score.
- 14.7 F.K. Holtzman Award - perpetual trophy - Awarded to the fleet with the most participation not in the host fleet.
- 14.8 Youngest Sailor Award - awarded to the youngest sailor (Skipper or Crew) sailing in all races in either the Championship or Challengers Fleets.
- 14.9 Women's, Juniors' & Masters' Perpetual Trophies awarded to the Skippers and Crew placing first in their respective fleet.
- 14.10 Individual trophies awarded to the Skippers and Crew placing 1 – 3 In the Women's and Junior Fleets.
- 14.11 Individual Trophy awarded to the first place Skipper of the Masters' Fleet.

## 15. IMAGE & VIDEO RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute rights and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.

## 16. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact Tim Smith at 231.392.5265

Website for Information: [GTYC.org/interlakenationals](http://GTYC.org/interlakenationals)

Website for Entry: [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com)

E-mail: [nationals@gtyc.org](mailto:nationals@gtyc.org)

End of Notice of Race

## **PARKING**

Help maximize available space and park all cars and boats within the marked spaces. Parking is also available across M-22 behind the Westport building & at Bluewater Hall. Parking in the Viridian parking lot north of the club is allowed after 5pm and Saturday & Sunday. Also, parking along the right-of-way on M-22 is illegal and very dangerous and is not allowed. Drive carefully on the grounds especially after dark. M-22 is a high traffic area; show extreme caution when exiting the club.

## **LODGING**

Don't wait to reserve accommodations. The annual Traverse City Film Festival is tentatively scheduled for July 25 – 30 this summer and when these dates are finalized the remaining available lodgings are likely to be filled quickly. For more information about reservations in the Traverse City area see [traversecity.com/hotels](https://traversecity.com/hotels).

## **Camping**

At the time of publication of this document, reservations for camping at Traverse City State Park are still available for the dates of this year's Nationals. The park is located directly on East Grand Traverse Bay and close to everything in Traverse City. It is about 10 minutes driving time to the club. The rate is about \$40 per night for up to 6 people with 2 cars or RV and/or as many tents as will fit. To reserve a campsite visit the [Traverse City State Park reservations site](#). This campground is very popular and is likely to be fully booked during Nationals. Camping is also available at Interlochen State Park, Timber Ridge RV & Recreation Resort and at several State Forest campgrounds and private campgrounds. All are about 30 minutes driving time from the club.

## **Hotel**

We have secured a 30% discount rate for a block of rooms at the [Hampton Inn Traverse City](#). The hotel is also located directly across from East Grand Traverse Bay, right next to the State Park, and about 10 minutes driving time to the club.

Link to book reserved hotel rooms at The Hampton Inn: <https://tinyurl.com/2wt6fj9t>

Group name: Interlake National Championship

Deadline for reservations: June 25, 2023

## **Vacation Rentals**

There are many vacation rental properties in the Traverse City area. These can be booked through sites like [airbnb.com](https://airbnb.com) and [vrbo.com](https://vrbo.com), as well as through local property management companies and [traversecity.com](https://traversecity.com).