



## **NOTICE OF SERIES**

Including Amendment 1 May 6, 2025

**Objective:** *The GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 is intended to encourage like-minded TP52 type boat owners, with a healthy mix of Amateur and Pro sailor crews, to compete in similarly configured boats under the ORC on a Time-onTime basis in a group of buoy race events and distance race events that form a Great Lakes Series.*

### **1 MANAGEMENT**

- 1.1 GL52 EVENTS ASSOCIATION is the Organizing Authority (**OA**) for the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 (Series)**. Racing at each of the individual events that make up the Series will be conducted by the OA for each event, and for events where GL52 EVENTS ASSOCIATION is not the OA, GL52 EVENTS ASSOCIATION will enforce the Rules and score these events in the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025**. The GL52 EVENTS ASSOCIATION Technical Task Force (**TTF**) is an advisor to the OA.
- 1.2 The official notice board (**ONB**) will be posted on the GL52 Series website.  
<https://gl52series.com/great-lakes-2025/>
- 1.3 Communication with competitors will be through the ONB and/or email.
- 1.4 On the water, the race committee (**RC**) will communicate with competitors on VHF radio as specified in the sailing instructions (**SIs**). It is the responsibility for each boat to have an operating 25-watt VHF radio with masthead antenna.
- 1.5 The OA has the authority to interpret the conditions governing the Series and also reserves the right to accept or reject the entry of any boat in the Series or event of the series in accordance with rule 76.1.
- 1.6 In the event of extraordinary last-minute circumstances, the RC may permit a change not specified in this NOS.

### **2 RULES**

- 2.1 The Series will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)* including:
  - a) Only the US Sailing Prescriptions to rule 88.2, Appendix R, the prescription to the Preamble to Part 5, and the prescriptions to rules 65.1, 70.3(b), and 76.1. shall apply. b)
  - 2025 ORC Rule.
  - c) Current US Sailing Monohull Safety Equipment Requirements (**SER**) Nearshore.
  - d) This GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 Notice of Series (**NOS**) which also serves as the notice of race for Events in the Series for which GL52 EVENTS ASSOCIATION is the OA.
  - e) The notice of race and sailing instructions for each event of the Series.

If there is a conflict between rules regarding the structure and scoring of the Series, this NOS has precedence. If there is a conflict in the running of races or scoring of individual events, or other racing related issues, the SIs for each event have precedence. This changes rule 63.5(c).

- 2.2 The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking the rule or request redress. This changes rules 60.1, 60.4(a)(2), and 61.4(b)(1). The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that

the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. This changes rule 60.5(c).

- 2.3 NOS 9, Series Scoring, changes one or more of the following rules: A1, A2.1, A2.2, A4, A5.1. Rule A5.3 applies and is changed as noted in NOS 9.4.

- 2.4 In accordance with rule 90.2(c), the procedure for the RC on the water to make oral changes to the sailing instructions will be stated in the SIs.
- 2.5 Race Signals and flags used by the race committee may be changed in the SIs.
- 2.6 [NP] Wind limits for Buoy Events: Minimum of 5 knots TWS to start a race and maximum 23 TWS sustained with gusts of 25 + knots as observed at local weather stations or by the RC. Considerations to start or abandon a race include, but are not limited to, wind velocity, gusts, wind shifts, sea state, and current. These limits, and the decisions of the RC regarding any guidelines, are not subject to protest or request for redress by a boat. This changes rules 61.1(a) and 61.4(b)(1).

### 3 ELIGIBILITY & RATING CERTIFICATES

To enter the **Series**, boats must meet the following requirements and parameters:

- 3.1 LOA Limit - Between 15.800 -15.860m.
- 3.2 TPS Limit - Less than or equal to 9.20m.
- 3.3 ISP Limit
- a) Age Date 2008 and before - less than 23.800m.
  - b) Age Date 2009 and beyond - less than 23.175m.
- 3.4 Draft Limit – Less than 3.765m.
- 3.5 Displacement Limit – Minimum 6600 kg & Maximum 7800 kg in Measurement Trim for boats in the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Overall Series** and **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Inshore Sub Series**. Maximum 8500 kg in Measurement Trim for boats in the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Pro-Am Sub Series**.
- 3.6 Water Ballast - Not permitted to be used.
- 3.7 Movable Appendage Limit – Single movable appendage.
- 3.8 Bulb Wings, DSS and Rudder Wings - Not permitted in any **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025** Events.
- 3.9 ORCi Handicap Limits - ***Under exploration by TTF in 2025.***
- 3.10 Stability Limits - ***Under exploration by TTF in 2025.***
- 3.11 Age Date Definition - ***Under exploration by TTF in 2025.***
- 3.12 ORCi Certificate:
- a) One (1) ORCi Certificate to be used for all **Series** designated Buoy Events. Measurement data for this certificate shall be submitted to the Rating Authority (RA) by June 1, 2025.
  - b) No more than two (2) configuration variations per year for all **Series** designated Distance Events. Since the ORC allows only one (1) valid ORCi Certificate at a time, ORCi Certificates are to be amended by the RA if choose to employ configuration variations. Planned amendments, if any, to the ORCi Certificate in NOS 3.12.a. for the **Series** designated Distance Events shall be submitted to the RA by June 6, 2025.

- c) At the owner's expense, the RA (US Sailing) will apply and un-apply amendments to the ORCi Certificate in NOS 3.12.a. to become the appropriate Certificate for **Series** designated Distance Events in collaboration with the OAs of the Queen's Cup Race, Bayview Mackinac Race and Race to Mackinac.
- d) Boats may use the ORCi Certificate of NOS 3.12.a. or either of the one/two Distance event Certificate configuration/s allowed by 3.12.b. for **Series** designated Distance Events.

3.13 Each boat shall be adequately insured in accordance with NOS 13, Insurance.

3.14 [DP] Each crew member shall complete the online Liability and Media Waiver found on the Series website prior to racing, and as described in NOS 14, Disclaimer of Liability and Media Waiver.

<https://form.jotform.com/243155706724154>

#### 4 SAILING CONDITION

All **Series** boats:

- 4.1 Shall race in the Sailing Trim Condition reflected on the boat's ORCi Certificate per NOS 3.12.
- 4.2 Shall race with Crew Weight not less than Minimum Crew Weight nor higher than the Maximum Crew Weight noted on her ORC Certificate for **Series** designated Buoy Events and per the OA NOR for **Series** designated Distance Events.
- 4.3 Shall while racing in **Series** designated Buoy Events, and as defined in NOS 4.4 for **Series** designated Distance Events, be helmed by:
  - a) the owner or an immediate family member (parent, child, sibling, cousin, dependents, in-law), or
  - b) a World Sailing Category 1 competitor (who shall provide his/her World Sailing Sailor ID and have current - not expired – Category 1 competitor Status), or
  - c) an owner-appointed replacement helm, permitted only when the owner is not on board, who is the bona fide boat captain / team manager of the owner's boat without a history of helming in the Olympics, The Ocean Race or America's Cup.
- 4.4 [DP] Shall be steered by a helmsperson, as defined in NOS 4.3, in all **Series** Distance Events for 90 minutes beginning at the warning signal.
- 4.5 Shall race each individual **Series** designated Buoy Event with same Crew, as declared on the official Notice Board at [www.g152series.com](http://www.g152series.com) submitted by 1800 hours the day prior to the first scheduled race day of each event. A boat submitting her crew list after the deadline shall receive a two-point penalty. A boat not racing with the declared crew, except as permitted below, shall be scored as DNS for any race in which they are not in compliance.
  - a) [NP] In the case of an emergency or special circumstance, a request for a crew substitution shall be made in writing to the RC and permission received prior to the boat leaving the dock. The substitute shall be similar in weight to the crew member being replaced and may participate in the sailing of the boat.
  - b) Exceptions for the owner:
    - i. The owner may be transferred onto the race boat after the boat has left the dock, but prior to the warning signal for any race in which the owner will sail;
    - ii. The owner may be transferred off of the race boat after the boat has finished a race and cleared the finishing area;
    - iii. If the owner, who is declared on the crew list on Yacht Scoring, is not on board the boat while racing, they shall be replaced by a designated owner substitute. A request for a designated owner substitute shall be made in writing to the RC no later than 1800 on the day prior to the first scheduled day of racing in each Event comprising the Series and approval by the RC is required. This designated owner substitute shall be similar in weight to the owner and shall

fulfill only the roles on board during racing that the owner would fulfill and shall not perform additional or enhanced roles. The designated owner substitute may be transferred on or off the race boat by a support boat as needed to meet the crew requirements in NOS 4.5.

- iv. If the owner is declared on the crew list, a boat racing without either the owner or the approved designated owner substitute, shall be scored as DNS for any race in which neither is on board the boat from the Warning Signal until finishing. Rule A5.1 is changed to include this NOS 4.5(b)(iv).
  - v. [DP] [NP] The protest committee may impose a discretionary penalty less than DSQ for a breach of the restrictions for the designated owner substitute listed in NOS 4.5(b)(iii).
  - c) [NP] A similar weight for a substitute is considered +/- 10 kg. to the sailor/owner being replaced. Specific approval from the RC is necessary for a greater variation in weight.
  - d) [DP] In the case of an emergency or special circumstance that occurs after the boat has left the dock, a crew member may be removed from the race boat by a support boat. The removed crew shall not be replaced by a substitute. A boat shall report the removal of a crew member to the RC via VHF radio as soon as possible. The protest committee may give a discretionary penalty, which may be no points, for each race in which the boat is not sailing in compliance with her declared crew list. That removed crew member may be put back onboard the boat when not racing with the specific permission of the RC.
- 4.6 Shall not use MHJ0, MHG, Flying Headsail, LRH, MHA0, FRJ0, FRG, FRA0, GS, IGS, or any other non-spinnaker staysail, even if rated with any of these sails, in **Series** designated Buoy Events.
- 4.7 Shall declare all sails intending to use in **Series** designated Distance Events on her Distance Race ORCi Certificate/s.
- 4.8 [NP] Shall install a functioning Vakaros Atlas 2 race sense starting system for the designated buoy events. The mounting location shall be near centerline, just aft of the mast and below the Main Boom gooseneck with clear view to sky for GPS. The mounting position must be approved by the RC. Additional installation details and Login instructions will be distributed by Vakaros.
- 4.9 (DP) Practice days limitation: After the first event of the **Series**, practice days in the 7 days leading up to an Event within a 35 nm radius of the event location are limited to the two (2) days prior to the first scheduled race day of an event. This includes the official practice day of each **Series** designated Buoy Racing event. For the time period between the Chicago-Mackinac and U-Gotta Regatta the practice days limitation shall be waived for boats competing in the CYC Chicago Race to Mackinac.

## 5 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats are allowed subject to the following restrictions and requirements:

- 5.1 [DP] After the race boat or support boat departs the dock and until it retires for the day or finishes the last race of the day:
- a) No transfers (including sails, gear, food/drinks) is permitted between the race boat and support boat;
  - b) No communications, data, video, vocal or visual signaling of any kind, or tactical placement from support boat or Non-Official Drone is permitted.
- 5.2 [DP] No Crew transfer is permitted between the race boat and support boat after the racing boat has departed the dock (except as permitted in NOS 4.5(d)).
- 5.3 [NP] In the event of an emergency, the race boat or support boat shall notify the RC as soon as possible.

- 5.4 [DP] Support boats shall not interfere with or inhibit the performance of any boat that is racing (including causing wake). Event support boats, as designated by the OA, are not subject to protest.
- 5.5 (DP) Any team choosing to use drones shall register with the RC and be designated a Non-Official Drone. Video (drone or other) or still photos from Non-Official Drones shall make this information available within a reasonable time to any team requesting this information. Non-Official Drones are limited to recording (still or video images) only in a "Drone Zone" defined as the Start area until two minutes after the start, Mark roundings (one-minute prior to first boat rounding until the last boat has exited the zone of the offset mark or the leeward gate), and Finish (one minute prior to the first boat finishing until the last boat has finished). All other areas on the course are deemed "No-Fly Zones". Official Event Support Drones are not restricted.

## 6 SERIES & EVENTS

The **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025** includes three (3) distinct Series, each comprised of multiple regattas (**Events**) as described below. The number of races for each **Series** designated Buoy Event will be stated in the sailing instructions for that Event.

- 6.1 The following Events comprise the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Overall Series** and shall be scored using the overall finish positions in each **Event** in accordance with NOS 9.1:

<u>Event</u>	<u>Organizing Authority</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Racing Days</u>
Big Red Regatta	GL52 EVENTS ASSOCIATION	Buoy	June 13-15
Queens Cup Steeplechase**	South Shore YC/GL52 EVENTS	Distance	June 27 start
Bayview Mackinac	Bayview Yacht Club MRA	Distance	July 12 start
Race to Mackinac	Chicago YC Regatta Association	Distance	July 19 start
Ugotta Regatta	GL52 EVENTS ASSOC/Little Traverse YC Buoy		July 25-27
Little Traverse Cup	GL52 EVENTS ASSOC	Buoy	August 14-16 (Th-Sat)
Macatawa Challenge	GL52 EVENTS ASSOC	Buoy	October 3-5

- 6.2 The following events comprise the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Inshore Sub Series** and shall be scored using all race scores in each Event in accordance with NOS 9.2:

<u>Event</u>	<u>Organizing Authority</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Racing Days</u>
Big Red Regatta	GL52 EVENTS ASSOC	Buoy	June 13-15
Ugotta Regatta	GL52 EVENTS ASSOC/Little Traverse YC Buoy		July 25-27
Little Traverse Cup	GL52 EVENTS ASSOC	Buoy	August 14-16 (Th-Sat)
Macatawa Challenge	GL52 EVENTS ASSOC	Buoy	October 3-5

The following events comprise the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Pro-Am Sub Series** and shall be scored using the overall finish positions in each **Event** in accordance with NOS 9.3:

<u>Event</u>	<u>Organizing Authority</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Racing Days</u>
Queens Cup Steeplechase **	South Shore YC/GL52 EVENTS	Distance	June 27 start
Race to Mackinac	Chicago YC Regatta Association	Distance	July 13 start
Ugotta Regatta	GL52 EVENTS/Little Traverse YC Buoy		July 25-27

\*\* Queens Cup Steeplechase is part of the Queens Cup (QC) that starts in Milwaukee and finishes in Muskegon, MI. The QC finish line will be an Elapsed Time collection point for the first leg of the QC Steeplechase where the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Overall Series & Pro-Am Sub Series** boats will cross the QC finish line and

continue to mark/s designated by the GL52 EVENTS race management team then return to a finish line off Muskegon. The goal is to set up a course where the boats will finish Saturday around 9-11 am. The intention for the additional legs of the course will be an upwind/downwind configuration to the best extent possible. The **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Overall Series & Pro-Am Sub Series** score for this Event will be based on the combined QC leg finish (place based on GL52 EVENTS handicap selection scoring) and the total Steeplechase course finish (place based on GL52 EVENTS handicap selection scoring) per NOS 9. A BBQ at the MYC or at Torreson Marine following the race will be hosted by GL52 EVENTS.

## **7 ENTRY & FEES**

7.1 Eligible boats may register online at:

**GL52 Great Lakes 2025 Series - Overall & Inshore Sub Series**

<https://gl52series.com/gl52-registration-2025-great-lakes-series/>

**GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Pro-Am Sub Series**

<https://gl52series.com/registration-gl52-great-lakes-pro-am-series-2025/>

The non- refundable Entry Fee, payable to GL52 EVENTS ASSOC by 2359 EST June 1, 2025, for the above Series are:

- **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Overall & Inshore Sub Series** \$8,000.
- After June 1, 2025 - Late fee \$9,500.
- **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Pro-Am Sub Series** \$2,000.

Payment by check or wire transfer (instructions upon request) to:

GL52 EVENTS ASSOCIATION, LLC

200 Monroe Ave. NW #500

Grand Rapids, MI 49503

*please add note to all payments "Boat Name, Owner and Series/Events payment applies"*

Entry fees include participation in the specific Series or Events, and contribution toward expenses, as noted, including:

- Race Committee and assets;
- National jury and on-the-water umpiring at all Buoy Events;
- Fleet Management;
- MarkSetBots, Vakaros starting system, and TracTrac (virtual live and delayed race viewing);
- Morning fleet reviews & briefings;
- GL52 EVENTS ASSOCIATION website, event photography and social media;
- GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 Trophies.

7.2 The entry fee for the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Overall Series** includes participation in **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Inshore Sub Series** for all Events as described in NOS 6 (including racing in the NOS 3 & NOS 4 compliant section/class in the **Series** designated Distance races) and the entry fees for the Big Red Regatta, the Little Traverse Cup, and the Macatawa Challenge.

7.3 The entry fee for the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Pro-Am Sub Series** includes participation in events described in NOS 6.3 (including racing in the NOS 3 & NOS 4 compliant section/class in the **Series** designated Distance races).

- 7.4 Eligible boats may enter one or more of the following Events if not already entered as part of a Series: Big Red Regatta, Little Traverse Cup, and/or Macatawa Challenge for an entry fee of \$3,000 per Event. Ugotta Regatta entry fee in addition to the LTYC entry is \$1,500. (This includes the GL52 Series Thursday practice races, Friday W/L races and fleet race reviews.)
- 7.5 Note that there are separate entry forms and entry fees for the Queens Cup, Bayview Mackinac Race, Race to Mackinac, and Ugotta Regatta events which each boat must complete and pay as required.

## 8. EVENT SCORING

Each Event shall be scored with ORC TOT method per below:

- 8.1 [NP] **Series** Buoy Events (Handicap selection per event RC per GL52 EVENTS ASSOCIATION Scoring Protocol):
- W/L 50/50 - Five (5) Band (Low, Low/Medium, Medium, Medium/High, High)
  - All Purpose –Five (5) Band (Low, Low/Medium, Medium, Medium/High, High)
- 8.2 [NP] **Series** Distance Events – Handicap selection for each distance event determined by the Event OA.

## 9 SERIES SCORING

Boats that meet the requirements in **NOS 3, Eligibility & Rating Certificate**, and have paid the Entry Fee in accordance with **NOS 7, Entry Fee**, shall be scored in each of the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025** for which they qualify.

- 9.1 The **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Overall Series** Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the boat with the lowest overall score in the Events listed in NOS 6.1 as described below:
- a) The final overall position in each **Event** (using only boats entered in the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Overall Series**, and excluding boats entered in only the Pro-Am Sub Series or in an individual Event), will be used as the **Series** score for that Event (i.e. 1<sup>st</sup> pl oa = 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> pl oa = 2, etc.). This changes rule A4;
  - b) Each boat's **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Overall Series** score shall be the sum of the scores of her final overall position in each of the **Series** designated Buoy Events and her best two (2) of the **Series** designated Distance Events (excluding her worst score in the Distance Events).
  - c) Rule A5.3 applies as changed in NOS 9.4.
- 9.2 The **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Inshore Sub Series** trophy will be awarded to the boat with the lowest overall score in the Events listed in NOS 6.2 as described below:
- a) The finishing place for each race is determined by scoring only boats entered in the GL52 Great Lakes 2025 - Overall Series/ Inshore Sub Series.
  - b) Rule A2.1 is changed to read "Each boat's series score shall be the total of all of her race scores. No score will be excluded."
  - c) Rule A5.3 applies as changed in NOS 9.4.
- 9.3 The **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Pro-Am Sub Series** trophy will be awarded to the boat with the lowest overall score in the Events listed in NOS 6.3 as described below:
- a) Boats competing shall meet the requirements of the Pro-Am Deed of Trophy (limit of not more than three (3) World Sailing Category 3 competitors).
  - b) The final overall position in each Event (including only boats entered in the Pro-Am Sub Series will be used as the Series score for that Event (i.e. 1<sup>st</sup> place overall = 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall = 2, etc.). This changes rule A4;

- c) To qualify for the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 - Pro-Am Sub Series**, a boat shall race in the one (1) Buoy Event and one (1) Distance Event listed in NOS 6.3. Rule A2.2 is changed to read “If a boat has entered any race in a series, she shall be scored for the whole series; however, a boat not qualifying will be scored DNQ (did not qualify) for the Series and is not eligible for any series prizes.” d) Rule A5.3 applies as changed in NOS 9.4.

- 9.4 To determine the overall position in each Event to be used as the Series score for that Event, or to score an Inshore Sub Series race, only boats entered in the relevant Series shall be used. Rule A5.3 applies and rule A5.2 is changed to read:

“A boat that came to the starting area but did not sail the course, retired, or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the relevant Series that came to the starting area, and a boat that did not come to the starting area for any races in an Event shall be scored points for the finishing place for the Event one more than the number of boats entered in the relevant Series that came to the starting line in at least one race.”

## 10 VENUES

Events in NOS 6 will be held on Lake Michigan & Lake Huron. Course areas per the SIs for each event.

## 11 COURSES

**Series Buoy Event** courses will be windward/leeward configuration (or as described in Ugotta Regatta SIs) using inflatable marks or MarkSetBots and will be fully described in the SIs.

**Series Distance Event** courses per the race documents for each of the three (3) designated distance races.

## 12 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1 Rule 44.2 is changed to a One-Turn Penalty.
- 12.2 US Sailing prescription Appendix V2, Alternative Penalties, shall apply and will be fully described in the SIs.
- 12.3 Appendix T, Arbitration, may be added as an SI Amendment as a part of the protest resolution process.
- 12.4 The OA may publish SI Appendix UF describing the Umpiring system to be used while racing.

## 13 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be adequately insured with current valid third-party liability insurance that is appropriate considering the value of the boats racing and the type of racing. It is the responsibility of the owner(s) to hold adequate insurance cover for Tort Liability and Third-Party Insurance (Property and Persons). The Organizing Authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of insurance certificates.

## 14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND MEDIA WAIVER

- 14.1 **Liability and Media Waivers:** Each competitor shall sign the online Liability and Media Waiver available on the Series website and submit it prior to leaving the dock on their first day of racing in the Series.  
<https://form.jotform.com/243155706724154>
- 14.2 **RISK STATEMENT:** Rule 3, Decision to Race, states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.’ 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.**

- 14.3 The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors and affiliated companies, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or injury to any competitor, including death, sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after as a result of participation in this Series. Attention is also drawn to USSER 1.02, Overall: Responsibility, as well as the "Liability Waiver" which each competitor shall complete and submit. By participating in this Series, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## 15 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please visit the GL52 EVENTS ASSOCIATION website: <https://gl52series.com/> or contact GL52 EVENTS Fleet Manager Linda Lindquist at: [gl52fleetmanager@gmail.com](mailto:gl52fleetmanager@gmail.com)

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GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025- Pro-Am Series	<a href="https://gl52series.com/great-lakes-2025/">https://gl52series.com/great-lakes-2025/</a>
Big Red Regatta	<a href="https://gl52series.com/gl52-notice-board-2025-big-red-regatta/">https://gl52series.com/gl52-notice-board-2025-big-red-regatta/</a>
Queen's Cup	<a href="https://www2.ssysc.org/queens-cup-r-race-blog/1404-2025-queens-cup-intro">https://www2.ssysc.org/queens-cup-r-race-blog/1404-2025-queens-cup-intro</a>
Bayview-Mackinac Race	<a href="https://bycmack.com/register/">https://bycmack.com/register/</a>
Chicago YC Race to Mackinac	<a href="https://cycracetomackinac.com">https://cycracetomackinac.com</a>
Ugotta Regatta Friday Races	<a href="https://gl52series.com/great-lakes-2025/">https://gl52series.com/great-lakes-2025/</a>
Ugotta Regatta	<a href="https://ltyc.org/ugotta-regatta">https://ltyc.org/ugotta-regatta</a>
Little Traverse Cup	<a href="https://gl52series.com/great-lakes-2025/">https://gl52series.com/great-lakes-2025/</a>
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## 16 LINKS

GL52 Website	<a href="https://gl52series.com">https://gl52series.com</a>
Facebook	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/gl52fleet">https://www.facebook.com/gl52fleet</a>
Instagram	<a href="https://www.instagram.com/gl52racing/">https://www.instagram.com/gl52racing/</a>
Linked-In	<a href="https://www.linkedin.com/company/gl52-racing/">https://www.linkedin.com/company/gl52-racing/</a>
You Tube	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/@GL52EventsLLC">https://www.youtube.com/@GL52EventsLLC</a>

## **NOTICE OF SERIES ADDENDUM A – US SAILING PRESCRIPTIONS**

**Rx to 88.2** After rule 88.2 add:

*US Sailing prescribes that sailing instructions shall not change or delete rule 61.4, Appendix R, or its prescriptions to rules 40, 60.3, 67 70.5, 70.5(a) or 76.1.*

**Rx to rule 61.4** Add rule 61.4:

### **61.4 Fees for Protests and Requests for Redress**

*US Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.*

**Rx to rule 67** After rule 67 add:

*US Sailing prescribes that:*

- a. *A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.*
- b. *A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US SAILING appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.*
- c. *A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by these rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.*

**Rx to rule 76.1** After rule 76.1 add:

*US SAILING prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.*

**USSAILING Rx to Appendix R is in effect. The full text is available upon request.**



## **NOTICE OF SERIES**

Amendment 1 May 6, 2025

*The GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 Notice of Series has been amended from the January 9, 2025 version with corrections as follows:*

### **1 MANAGEMENT**

**GL52 EVENTS ASSOCIATION** is the Organizing Authority (OA) for the **GL52 Great Lakes Series 2025 (Series)**.  
*This name has been corrected throughout the Notice of Series where it was originally listed as GL52 Events.*

1.2 The official notice board (ONB) will be posted on the GL52 Series website.

<https://gl52series.com/great-lakes-2025/>

*This URL is the official Notice Board for all GL52 Events in the Great Lakes Series and has been corrected in all places in the original Notice of Series.*

3.13 [DP] Each crew member shall complete the online Liability and Media Waiver found on the Series website prior to racing, and as described in NOS 14, Disclaimer of Liability and Media Waiver.

<https://form.jotform.com/243155706724154>

*This is the correct URL for the Liability and Media Waiver (also listed as a link on the GL52series.com website.)*

4.5 Shall race each individual **Series** designated Buoy Event with same Crew, as declared on **the official Notice Board located at [www.gl52series.com](http://www.gl52series.com)**

4.9 (DP) Practice days limitation: After the first event of the **Series**, practice days in the 7 days leading up to an Event within a 35 nm radius of the event location are limited to the two (2) days prior to the first scheduled race day of an event. This includes the official practice day of each **Series** designated Buoy Racing event. **For the time period between the Chicago-Mackinac and U-Gotta Regatta the practice days limitation shall be waived for boats competing in the CYC Chicago Race to Mackinac.**

## **NOTICE OF SERIES ADDENDUM A – US SAILING PRESCRIPTIONS**

*The following Addendum A was not available at the time of the January Notice of Series. It is described here:*

**Rx to 88.2** After rule 88.2 add:

*US Sailing prescribes that sailing instructions shall not change or delete rule 61.4, Appendix R, or its prescriptions to rules 40, 60.3, 67 70.5, 70.5(a) or 76.1.*

**Rx to rule 61.4** Add rule 61.4:

#### **61.4 Fees for Protests and Requests for Redress**

*US Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.*

**Rx to rule 67** After rule 67 add:

*US Sailing prescribes that:*

- a. A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.*
- b. A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US SAILING appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.*
- c. A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by these rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.*

**Rx to rule 76.1** After rule 76.1 add:

*US SAILING prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.*

**USSAILING Rx to Appendix R is in effect. The full text is available upon request.**