



2026 GL52 Interpretation/Question/Request Form

Date Submitted: May 28, 2026

Received: 5/28/26

Submitted By GL52 Owner: Peter Askew

Request No: 2026-100 Amended

Yacht: *Wizard*

Series Entered: GL52 Great Lakes Series 2026

GL52 NOS Clause: 3 Eligibility & Rating Certificates

GL52 Great Lakes Series 2026 NOS 3.10 – ORCi Certificate submittal date.

GL52 Great Lakes Series 2026 NOS 3.2 - TPS Limit – Less than 9.20m.

Interpretation/Question/Request: (See following page for amended Request)

Rationale: (See following page for Request)

Action: 4/28/26 Amended Request forwarded by Linda Lindquist, GL52 Manager to Greg Stewart, GL52 Technical Advisor for evaluation.

6/1-3/26 GL52 TTF reviewed amended request, and approves based on the following conditions:

1. A Test Certificate of the below proposed configuration, plus any other sail or Crew Weight declarations, must be supplied by US Sailing before the Big Red Regatta.

TPS = 9.900m
SPA = 268.09 sqm (Present Spinnaker Area) unless new Sail certs provided to US Sailing June 2nd.
P= 21.264 m
BAS = 1.901m
MSA (Measured) =100.33 sqm
2. The above Test Certificate 5 Band W/L Handicaps will be used to score all GL52 Great Lakes Series 2026 designated Buoy events that Wizard sails including those after the modifications are made.
3. A verification Test Certificate issued by US Sailing, based on Measurer values after modifications executed will be required before the Ugotta Regatta . No Measurement value on this verification Test Certificate can be greater than Test Certificate in 1 above.

From: Peter Askew <peter@retrieverholdings.com>

Date: May 28, 2026 at 7:15:02 PM EDT

To: Linda Lindquist-Bishop <linda@cgthink.com>

Subject: Wizard STL Dilemma

Linda,

We have run into a little situation. The designers have come back with a STL of 9.9. We hedged at 9.4 when communicating with the class, and are quite surprised we are looking at 9.9 now. We will be taking quite a rating hit and sailing with the 9.0 for Big Red. Goal is to have the 9.9 for the two Harbor Springs events. This length comes with a greater penalty so it's not like it's "free".

All my comms have been around 9.4 so I am sensitive to all the bull shit you will endure over us now coming in at 9.9.

So, how best to handle?

Sincerely,

Peter Askew

Sent by Paper Airplane

From: Greg Stewart

Sent: Monday, June 01, 2026 3:10 PM

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Cc: Linda Lindquist-Bishop <linda@cgthink.com>

Subject: Wizard Request - Revisited

2026 GL52 Event TTF,

First off, welcome, to Mike Boucher to the GL52 Events Technical Task Force.

Second, the Wizard has requested approval for an amended configuration to what was presented and approved by the TTF in April 2026. Please see attached Previous Request/Approval. The below was just received last Thursday and I have been gathering details of the specifics in some exchanges with Andy Horton.

Original Request April 28, 2026 Granted

TPS = 9.400m

SPA = No Spinnaker Area change mentioned (present SPA 268.09 sqm)

BAS = No Specific stated (just learned was going to be 1.700m)

MSA = No Mainsail Area change mentioned (present MSA = 99.06 sqm)

Amended Request May 28, 2026

TPS = 9.900m

SPA = 260.0 sqm (But require Test Certificate with 268.09 sqm or new Sail certs for existing spins that will be used for BBR)

BAS = 1.901m (Present 2.170m)

P = 21.264m

MSA = 100.33 sqm

I am requesting confirmation that you are OK extending the approval granted on April 28th for the above amended configuration with the following conditions:

A Test Certificate of the below proposed configuration, plus any other sail or Crew Weight declarations, must be supplied by US Sailing before the Big Red Regatta.

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SPA = 268.09 sqm (Present Spinnaker Area) unless new Sail certs provided to US Sailing June 2nd.

P = 21.264 m

BAS = 1.901m

MSA (Measured) = 100.33 sqm

The above Test Certificate 5 Band W/L Handicaps will be used to score all GL52 Great Lakes Series 2026 designated Buoy events that Wizard sails including those after the modifications are made.

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The Handicap Penalty for the Big Red Regatta will be larger than originally cited since the TPS = 9.900m not 9.400m.

Time is of the essence so please respond today!

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'M' followed by a horizontal line.

GL52 Technical Advisor



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Interpretation/Question/Request: (See following page for Request)

Allow to sail the GL52 Great Lakes Series 2026 events with Certificate based on declared BAS.

Allow to sail the GL52 Great Lakes Series 2026 events with Certificate based on declared TPS outside the GL52 Eligibility.

Rationale: (See following page for Request)

GL52 does not have BAS limit.

Boat will race early GL52 events with 2026 ORC Inshore Rating Certificate based on declared values and confirmed values at the Ugotta Regatta and subsequent GL52 Events she sails.

Action: 4/28/26 Request forwarded by Linda Lindquist, GL52 Manager to Greg Stewart, GL52 Technical Advisor and GL52 TTF for evaluation.

4/29/26 GL52 TTF reviewed request, confirmed with US Sailing the mechanics of administering the ORC Certificate as proposed, further confirmed that the effect of lowering the Boom on VCG will be calculated, and approves the request.

April 19, 2026

Ms. Linda Linquist
Fleet Manager
GL52 Events Association
200 Monroe Ave NW; Suite 500
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Dear Linda,

I am seeking approval from the class for *Wizard* to race outside the current GL Series guidelines, as defined in the Notice of Series, for the second half of the 2026 season. Your approval will allow *Wizard* to trial a small number of configuration changes recommended by our yacht designer as part of our preparation for the 2027 Admiral's Cup.

Wizard proposes making two modifications:

1. Lowering the boom (BAS change)
 - Similar in concept to the approach recently taken on *Windquest*
 - Requires both sail and spar modifications
 - Permitted by ORC and the class does not limit BAS
2. Extending the bowsprit / TPS
 - Proposed length: 9.4 m (0.2 m beyond the current class limit)
 - From our current configuration (9.04 m), this change is expected to result in a rating penalty of approximately 3–5 sec over a 45-minute race, depending on conditions

Neither modification will be ready until approximately mid-July, so we are looking to race with this configuration beginning with the UGOTTA Regatta and continuing through the remainder of the season.

The rating certificate we provide to the class on June 4, 2026, will reflect these changes for the start of the season. Once the equipment is installed, we will have a measurer confirm the dimensions. This means *Wizard* will carry the associated rating penalty before the physical modifications are completed. US Sailing has confirmed they are able to support this approach.

The goal here is to accelerate our development ahead of the 2027 IRC certificate cycle, allowing us to gain meaningful experience with the configuration to inform future design decisions.

Sincerely,



Peter H. Askew