

GRAND RIVER SAILING CLUB



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Grand River Sailing Club Regatta
AUGUST 21st, 22nd, & 23rd 2026
Fairport Harbor, Ohio

NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

Preamble: The notation '[DP]' in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of the *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that *rule*. This changes RRS 60.1.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The races will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, US Sailing Prescriptions, the rules of the One Design Class (where applicable), and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 [NP] RRS 60.1 is changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of a class rule requiring membership.
- 1.3 RRS 60.2 is changed to include: "A boat intending to protest shall notify the RC Signal boat of her intention to protest and the class and sail number of the boat she is protesting, after clearing the finish line. She may do this via direct hail to the Signal Boat or by using the VHF radio channel assigned to her course."
- 1.4 US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 63.1(b) will not apply.
- 1.5 In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.5(c).

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available upon check-in at the registration desk at the Grand River Marine Sailing Center, between 1700hrs and 2000hrs on Friday, August 21, 2026 and via TheClubSpot.com
<https://theclubspot.com/regatta/RQ0VDY5JW1>

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board is located at Grand River Marine Sailing Center "A" Dock (eastern) pavilion, 939 Water Street, Fairport Harbor, Ohio 44077.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on U.S. VHF channels.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 [DP] 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.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The Regatta is open to all boats having a current and valid PHRF-SS or PHRF-LE measurement certificate or rating assigned by the GRSC Race Committee; JAM and One-Design classes whose owners are members of US Sailing or other national authority, or members of recognized yacht clubs, or members of recognized sailing class associations.
Friday night race offered for Double Handed Open to boats to be crewed by no more than 2 (two) people.
- 4.2 Yachts without current certificates will be assigned a Regatta rating at the discretion of the GRSC Race Committee applicable only at this event and without appeal. Boats without a PHRF certificate may be inspected and will be assigned a rating based on PHRF-LE ratings and any adjustments the race committee, at their sole discretion, deems appropriate. All assigned ratings are valid for this regatta only and may not be protested or request redress. This changes RRS 60.1, 78.1, and 78.2.
- 4.3 The GRSC Race Committee, at its sole discretion, whose decision is final and without appeal, shall determine eligibility and placement within divisions for PHRF, JAM, and One-Design classes.
- 4.4 One-design classes shall adhere to all applicable class rules.
- 4.5 Eligible boats may enter by submitting a properly completed Application to Race form, measurement certificate, and applicable entry fee.

5 FEES AND REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Registration at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/RQ0VDY5JW1>

Fees all racing \$90.00

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Races are scheduled as follows:

Date	Classes	First Warning
Friday August 21, 2026	1 Race; Double Handed JAM (optional, scored separately)	1855hrs
Saturday August 22, 2026	3 Races; PHRF, JAM, One-Design	0955hrs
Sunday August 23, 2026	2 Race; PHRF, JAM, One-Design	0955hrs

6.2 One-Design Classes shall consist of 4 or more registered yachts.

6.3 Friday Double Handed JAM fleets shall consist of 3 or more registered yachts. Sailing Instructions will detail crew requirements and headsail limitations.

6.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1300hrs.

7 VENUE

7.1 Races shall be sailed on Lake Erie north of Grand River, Ohio.

7.2 Races will be sailed to the West of the Grand River entrance, north of Headlands Beach

8 COURSES

8.1 Courses will be created using Inflatable Temporary marks.

8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will designate the course to be sailed.

8.3 The diagrams of the courses to be sailed and description of the marks will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

9.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn penalty.

10 SCORING

10.1 The scoring system is defined in RRS Appendix A, except A2 is changed in that no score shall be excluded.

10.2 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.3 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

11 DOCKAGE

- 11.1 Grand River Marine is offering free dockage from Wednesday, August 19 through Wednesday, August 26 for pre-registered boats. Rafting may be required. Dockage is also available at MHYC East Beach.
- 11.2 Boats taking dockage prior to August 19 and/or after August 26 will be billed as follows:

Length	Rate per day
30 Feet and Under	\$1.50 per foot
Over 30 Feet	\$1.75 per foot

**Monthly rates are available upon request.

- 11.3 Contact Paul Mathews at paulmathews@att.net or (440) 289-5262 for dock assignment and/or further information

12 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 12.1 [DP] Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

13 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 13.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event.

14 RISK STATEMENT

- 14.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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.**

15 INSURANCE

- 15.1 Each participating boat shall show proof that it is insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$100,000.00 per incident.

16 PRIZES

- 16.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third place boat in each class or division.
- 16.2 Perpetual Awards are:
 JAM Class Overall – Jam Overall Cup
 PHRF Saturday Race 1 - Orange Shoelace Award
 PHRF Saturday Race 2 - C&C Trophy
 PHRF Sunday Race 3 - Tartan Trophy
 PHRF Class Overall - Grand River Marine Trophy

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance sufficient to cover liability for damage, injury or death.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 18.1 For additional information or questions please contact GRSC Race Committee at grsc.scorer@gmail.com.

2026 GRAND RIVER REGATTA SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, August 21th – Regatta Opening - One Race Scheduled

Registration & Double Handed

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Registrations and race packets available at Grand River Marine Sailing Center "A" Dock Pavilion
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Join us for the Regatta opening ceremony and party with food and beverages (Donations Accepted)
6:55 pm	Warning Signal, Double Handed Race

Saturday, August 22th – Three Races Scheduled

7:00 am - 9:00 am	Coffee and donuts on sale at Grand River Marine "A" Dock pavilion
8:00 am	Skippers Meeting at Grand River Marine "A" Dock pavilion and via Telephone to MHYC
9:55 am	Warning Signal, First Race, Second Race Planned to immediately follow
3:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Post Racing Entertainment 3:00 Live Music

Sunday, August 23th – Two Races Scheduled

7:00 am - 9:00 am	Coffee and donuts on sale at Grand River Marine A Dock pavilion
8:00 am	Skippers Meeting (to be announced)
9:55 am	Warning Signal – Sunday Race
2:00 pm	Post Racing Entertainment Lunch will be available (Donations Accepted)
Approx. 4:00PM	Regatta Awards presentation.

Grand River Sailing Center Entrance and Map



- Avoid Shoal marked in Red.