



2025 Detroit Cup

International Match Race for the Detroit Cup

August 20 – August 24, 2025

August 20 – Practice Day

August 21 – August 24 Racing Days

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) will be Bayview Yacht Club.

2 VENUE

The venue will be Detroit, Michigan, USA.

3 EVENT GRADING

The event has applied for World Sailing (WS) Grade 2. This grading is subject to review by the WS Match Race Rankings Sub-committee. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

4.1 Schedule

- (a) Race office opens Wednesday, August 20, 2024 at 1000.
- (b) Registration and crew weigh-in: Wednesday, August 20 from 1000 to 1730.
- (c) Opening ceremonies at 1800 hours, August 20 at BYC.
- (d) Practice on Wednesday, August 20 from 1000 to 1730.
- (e) Racing Days will be Thursday August 21 – Sunday August 24.
- (f) First briefing with OA, Chief Umpire and PRO will be on Thursday August 21 at 0830.
- (g) Daily Competitors' Briefing each racing day at 0830.
- (h) The intended time of the first Attention Signal on each racing day will be at 1000.
- (i) The latest time for an attention signal on Sunday, August 24 will be approximately 1500.
- (j) Prize giving will follow racing on August 24 as soon as feasible following racing.

4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is **mandatory**:

- (a) Opening Ceremonies.
- (b) Initial briefing for skippers.
- (c) Daily briefing, for skippers.
- (d) Press conferences for skippers if racing that day.
- (e) Prize giving for the final skippers and crews.

5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1 As many as twelve (12) skippers may be invited.
- 5.2 Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event.
- 5.3 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 5.4 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing (email is acceptable) and submit the required entry bond to be received by the date posted on the invitation.
- 5.5 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19.2.
- 5.6 All competitors shall obtain a WS Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their WS Sailor ID at registration.



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6 ENTRIES

- 6.1 The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. Payment can be made by credit card (fee applies) or cash in US funds.
- 6.2 Entry Fee \$1,250 USD.
 - 6.2(a) A non-refundable entry bond of \$500 USD must be paid with the acceptance of invitation and will be applied toward the entry fee.
 - 6.2(b) Remaining \$750 USD payable at registration.
- 6.3 Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner for all racing days, opening ceremonies, and daily keg beer is included in the entry fee for all competitors.
- 6.4 When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within two months of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied by WS to their Ranking Points for that event. World Sailing Regulation 27.2.
- 6.5 Damage deposit
 - (a) A refundable damage deposit of USD \$1,000 shall be paid at registration. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident. The damage deposit may be paid by credit card.
 - (b) In the event a portion of the damage deposit is used during the event, the skipper may be required to restore that deposit to \$1,000 USD in order to continue in the event.

7 RULES

- 7.1
 - (a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS and including Appendix C.
 - (b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races.
 - (c) The US SAILING prescriptions to RRS 65.1 and 76.1 will be the only US prescriptions that will apply and their text will be posted on the official notice board.
- 7.2 Major Alterations to the RRS.
 - (a) USCG or country MNA (for entrants outside the US) approved PFDs shall be worn at all times by competitors while on the water, other than brief periods while adding or removing clothing. The Y flag will not be flown. This modifies RRS 40. All competitors shall supply their own PFD.
 - (b) RRS C3.1, C6.2, C8.2, C8.7, 28, 32.1, 33, 35, 60.5, 61, 61.1(a), 61.4(b)(1), 90.3 and A5 will be changed in the sailing instructions for this event.
 - (c) Bayview Yacht Club's rules for the handling of Club Ultimate 20 boats apply. Ultimate 20 Class rules will not apply.

8 BOATS AND SAILS

- 8.1 The event will be sailed in Ultimate 20 type boats.
- 8.2 As many as ten (10) boats will be provided by Bayview Yacht Club.
- 8.3 The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib and Spinnaker.
- 8.4 Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee.

9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 9.1 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be three (3) or four (4). All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 9.2 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the Chief Umpire may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- 9.3 The maximum total crew weight limit, determined prior to racing, shall be 262.5 kg (578.8lbs) when wearing at least shorts.
- 9.4 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event, the Chief Umpire may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

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10 EVENT FORMAT

- 10.1 Skippers will be seeded into a round robin based on World Sailing ranking list 30 days prior to the event.
- 10.2 The event will consist of the following stages:
 - (a) Round Robin Racing
 - (b) Knockout Series including, but not limited to, Quarter Finals, Semi Finals, Finals/Petit-Finals
- 10.3 The OA may change the format, terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favour of later stages.

11 COURSE

- 11.1 The intended course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.
- 11.2 The intended course area will be in the vicinity of Bayview Yacht Club.

12 ADVERTISING

- 12.1 As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Bayview Yacht Club, WS regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- 12.2 Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the OA.
- 12.3 Boats will not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising. This changes RRS 60.1.

13 PRIZES

- 13.1 The winner's name will be engraved on the Detroit Cup, which will remain at Bayview Yacht Club.
- 13.2 Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.
- 13.3 A \$7,500. USD cash prize shall be distributed according to the following table:

1 st place	-	\$3,500
2 nd place	-	\$1,750
3 rd place	-	\$1,000
4 th place	-	\$600
5 th place	-	\$350
6 th place	-	\$300
- 13.4 The winner of the Grand Slam series (Thompson Cup, Oakcliff International, Chicago Grade 2, and the Detroit Cup) will earn a qualifier spot at the 2026 Congressional Cup hosted by Long Beach Yacht Club.

14 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

The OA shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.

15 PRACTICE SAILING

The boats will be available for practice on Wednesday, August 20, 2025 from 1000 – 1730 hrs. All skippers must complete registration and pay all fees prior to obtaining a boat for practice. All skippers must comply with the practice schedule in order to give all participants time in the boats. The rules for the handling of the boats and the requirement to wear PFDs will apply during practice. The boats will not be available to any competitor from August 16, 2025 at 2000 hrs. until August 20, 2025 at 1000 hrs.



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16 **DISCLAIMER**

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. Bayview Yacht Club, its sponsors, agents, employees, representatives, directors, governors, members, race committee and officials accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, however so caused.

17 **INVITATIONS**

Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers. If you wish to be invited, please return the Request for Invitation form (attached) to the OA as soon as possible as entries may be filled prior to the May 1, 2025 deadline.

18 **OA CONTACT INFORMATION**

For questions, more information regarding this event, or to request an invitation after the May 1, 2024 deadline, please email: TheDetroitCup@byc.com or go online to www.detroitcup.com.

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Venue: Bayview Yacht Club
100 Clairpointe
Detroit, MI 48215

Chair: Gary Shoemaker
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****Request for Invitation attached****





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REQUEST FOR INVITATION:

Name:

Country:

Address:

E-mail:

Cell phone:

Alternative phone:

ISAF Match Race Ranking: (and effective date)

ISAF Sailor ID Number:

Member National Authority:

Home Yacht Club:

Please enter a brief summary of recent match racing accomplishments.

Please email to: TheDetroitCup@byc.com

Return the Request for Invitation form (attached) to the OA as soon as possible as available slots may be filled prior to the May 1, 2024 deadline.

