

Event you are bidding for	2018-2019 Singlehanded
Host School	Hope College and Grand Valley State University
Host Conference	MCSA
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NATIONALS SCHEDULING & VENUE

We prefer Team Racing happen on a weekend, the dates for the Singlehanded and Match Race Nationals are set by ICSA. Contact Danielle Richards, intersectionals@collegesailing.org for those dates.

Racing Venue Location & Description

Name and Location: Macatawa Bay Yacht Club and Macatawa Bay Junior Association, 2157 S Shore Dr, Holland, MI 49423

Launching: Multiple ramps and a boat launch, as well as floating docks, allow for easy and efficient launching from the parking lot.

Shelter: The Macatawa Bay Junior Association is an enclosed facility with classrooms, as well as heated bathrooms and showers.

Viewing: If races are run on Lake Macatawa, the Macatawa Bay Yacht Club has outdoor benches as well as a bar that overlook the lake. Viewing races on Lake Michigan is possible from the pier. Spectator boats will also be made available to coaches and parents.

Rotations: As this is a singlehanded regatta, no rotations will occur.

Racing area: Either Lake Michigan or Lake Macatawa, depending on the conditions.

Venue Photo Upload



[MBYC.png](#)

Google Map Link to Venue

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Macatawa+Bay+Yacht+Club/@42.770013>

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Will there be a designated Spectator Area?	Yes
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Will there be VIP Boats for School AD and Sponsor VIPs?	Yes
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Rotation Area Description

Launching will occur off the docks/ramps at MBYC. The racing area will either be on Lake Macatawa or on Lake Michigan, depending on conditions. Sailing distance to the Lake Macatawa race course is approximately 5-10 minutes. Boats will most likely be towed out to the Lake Michigan race course. It takes approximately 10 to tow through the channel to Lake Michigan, as the yacht club is located near the entrance to the channel.

Sailing Area Conditions

Expected Weather

Temperature: The month of November is characterized by rapidly falling daily high temperatures, with daily highs decreasing from 54°F to 42°F over the course of the month, exceeding 65°F or dropping below 32°F only one day in ten.

Wind Conditions: Over the course of November typical wind speeds vary from 1 mph to 17 mph (light air to moderate breeze), rarely exceeding 25 mph (strong breeze). The highest average wind speed of 10 mph (gentle breeze) occurs around November 23, at which time the average daily maximum wind speed is 17 mph (moderate breeze). The lowest average wind speed of 9 mph (gentle breeze) occurs around November 1, at which time the average daily maximum wind speed is 16 mph (moderate breeze).

Precipitation: The probability that precipitation will be observed at this location varies throughout the month. Precipitation is most likely around November 30, occurring in 60% of days. Precipitation is least likely around November 1, occurring in 49% of days.

COACHING PLAN

Will coaches be on the water or on land? Will this change depending on race course or championship?

Coaches will most likely be on the water, depending on location of the course. MBJA has a fleet of eight powerboats, including Zodiacs and Boston Whalers. If the course is near the club, coaching will occur off of the docks.

PRACTICE EXCLUSION AREA

Please describe the area in which teams are prohibited from practicing between their Conference Championship and the conclusion of the nationals.

Lake Macatawa, Holland, MI

Practice Area Maps or Docs Upload



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TRAVEL INFO

Please include Airports and time to venue, Hotels and potential hotel deals, areas of restaurants and any other helpful information.

Housing

The MBYC is about 15 minutes from downtown Holland. Multiple hotels are located in and around downtown and multiple different price points. Hotels are also available along Route 31. Group discounts are a possibility.

Haworth Inn at Hope College

225 College Ave, Holland, MI 49423

(616) 395-7200

\$129 per night

CityFlatsHotel

61 E 7th St, Holland, MI 49423

(616) 796-2100

\$149 per night

Courtyard Marriott Holland Downtown

121 E 8th St, Holland, MI 49423

(616) 582-8500

\$169 per night

Country Inn and Suites

12260 James Street, Holland, MI 49424

(616) 396-6677

\$85 per night

Many other options in the 10-15 mile radius.

Housing is also available for students primarily in Holland with Hope College students or in Allendale or Grand Rapids with GVSU students. Hope College housing is approximately 15 minutes away from the sailing center. GVSU housing is

20-30 minutes away.

Travel

Closest Airport: GRR - Gerald R. Ford International Airport in Grand Rapids, MI

Distance: 45 minutes from MBYC, 40 miles each way.

Major Airlines: American, United, Delta, Southwest, Allegiant, etc.

Direct Flight Options: Various, from most major US cities. Please see this link (<http://www.grr.org/nonstop-routes.php>).

Other area airports:

Chicago - MDW or ORD

Distance: approx. 3hrs each way, 150-170 miles

Why? Often lower cost (~50\$ more on average if flying to GRR)

Major airports with major airlines (mostly United and American)

Detroit - DTW

Distance: approx. 3hrs each way each way, 186 miles

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Major airport, with major airlines (mostly Delta)

Driving

MBYC is located less than 10 miles from a major interstate, I-196.

Very central location in regards to the nation: in the South West of Michigan, North-Midwest of the Nation.

For driving directions, feel free to use the following address: 2157 South Shore Drive, Macatawa, MI 49434.

Many restaurants are located in downtown Holland on 8th Street.

BOATS

Fleet 1 Type/Manufacturer	Laser/Laser Performance
Fleet 1 Year	2018
Fleet 1 Owner	Laser Performance

Will Fleet 1 be replaced before Nationals? Yes

BUDGET

ICSA Requires the host to provide housing for ICSA Reps, Judges/Umpires, Photographer and Media Team (5 people, Spring Championships only).

Do you accept Housing Requirement? Maybe

PRO & CHIEF JUDGE

Please note that all PRO's and Judges need to be approved by ICSA.

Names of Proposed PRO & Chief Judge/Umpire

Roger Gamache

Jack and Linda Knoblauch

Michael Norris

MEDIA LIAISON

Host will need to provide a media liaison that can work with sponsor and ICSA media and social media outlets, can you as the host provide this?

Provide Media Liaison

Maybe

ADDITIONAL DETAILS

Anything else we should now about your venue or bid that might help the board choose your venue?

ICSA Board,

The Hope College Sailing Team and Grand Valley State University Club Sailing hereby bids to host the 2018 ICSA National Singlehanded Championship the weekend of November 3-4, 2018. We propose to host the event at the Macatawa Bay Yacht Club in Holland, Michigan. Hope College has hosted an annual regatta for nearly twenty years, and partnered with GVSU, hosted the MCSA Fall Championships in 2016. The Macatawa Bay Yacht Club members and staff have experience hosting championship regattas, annually hosting the USA Junior Olympic Sailing Festival - Michigan Championship as well as US Sailing regional Laser qualifiers and VX One Nationals the summer of 2016. The relationship and resources provided by the two college teams and the Macatawa Bay Yacht Club will produce a competitive and professional regatta.

We believe that the MBYC is one of the best venues in the Midwest, especially for Laser sailing. Unlike many sailing centers, ours offers the opportunity to tow out to Lake Michigan for great offshore sailing, or remain in Lake Macatawa if weather conditions prove unstable. This allows flexibility. MBYC allows boats to be stored on dollies in the parking lot during the regatta, which makes unloading and loading boats onto trailers more efficient. Launching is easy with two ramps and a boat launch.
