2019 Grand Slam Series - US Grade 2

Series Dates:
1. Chicago Grand Slam: August 15-18
2. Detroit Cup: August 21-25
3. Oakcliff International: September 1-4
4. Thompson Cup: September 5-8

NOTICE OF SERIES

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY
   The Organizing Authority (OA) will be:
   1.1. Chicago Grand Slam: Chicago Yacht Club
   1.2. Detroit Cup: Bayview Yacht Club
   1.3. Oakcliff International: Oakcliff Sailing
   1.4. Thompson Cup: Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club

2. VENUE
   2.1. Venue Locations
      2.1.1. Chicago Grand Slam: Chicago Yacht Club- Belmont in Chicago, IL
      2.1.2. Detroit Cup: Bayview Yacht Club in Detroit, MI
      2.1.3. Oakcliff International: Oakcliff Sailing in Oyster Bay, NY
      2.1.4. Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club in Oyster Bay, NY
   2.2. Housing
      Housing may be provided at each event. You must contact the respective event organizers to confirm your number of crew members and travel plans (arrival/ departure dates). Organizers may not be able to provide housing before the practice day of each event.

3. EVENT GRADING
   3.1. All four (4) events have applied for World Sailing Grade 2.
   3.2. This grading is subject to review by the World Sailing Match Race Rankings Sub Committee. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4. PROGRAMME
   4.1. Racing Days:
      4.1.1. Chicago Grand Slam: August 16-18
      4.1.2. Detroit Cup, BYC: August 22-25
      4.1.3. Oakcliff International: September 2-4
      4.1.4. Thompson Cup, SCYC: September 6-8
   4.2. All Practice days precede the first day of racing. Event organizers will distribute practice schedules.
5. **SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY**

5.1. The following number of skippers will be invited to each event:

- 5.1.1. Chicago Grand Slam: 10
- 5.1.2. Detroit Cup: 12
- 5.1.3. Oakcliff International: 12
- 5.1.4. Thompson Cup: 12

5.2. Only skippers invited by the OA or as defined in section 5.2.2 will be eligible for entry.

5.2.1. Invitations: Requests for invitation forms can be found at below links:
- Chicago Grand Slam/ contact: regattamanager@chicagoyachtclub.org
- Detroit Cup, BYC/ contact thedetroitcup@byc.com
- Oakcliff International/ contact: regatta@oakcliffsailing.org
- Thompson Cup, SCYC/ contact 2019ThompsonCup@seawanhaka.org

5.2.2. Qualifiers: Qualifiers to the Grand Slam events are listed below. Each event awards one invitation to the highest finishing skipper. If the highest finishing skipper cannot accept or has already qualified, drop-downs may be considered at the discretion of the event organizers.

**For the Chicago Grand Slam:**
- Oakcliff Grade 3 (June 1-2, 2019)
- CYC Grade 3 Spring Invitational (June 15-16, 2019)

**For the Detroit Cup:**
- Bayview Grade 3 Spring Invitational (May 18-19, 2019)
- Oakcliff Grade 3 (June 1-2, 2019)

**For the Oakcliff International:**
- Oakcliff Grade 3 (June 1-2, 2019)
- CYC Grade 3 Spring Invitational (June 15-16, 2019)

**For the Thompson Cup:**
- Bayview Grade 3 Spring Invitational (May 18-19, 2019)
- Oakcliff Grade 3 (June 1-2, 2019)

5.3. All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19.2.

5.4. All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at [www.sailing.org/isafsail](http://www.sailing.org/isafsail). Skippers shall inform the OA of their Sailor ID at registration.

6. **ENTRIES**

6.1. Entry Fees: A non-refundable entry fee of the following amounts shall be paid by registration:

- 6.1.1. Chicago Grand Slam: $950.00
- 6.1.2. Detroit Cup: $975.00
- 6.1.3. Oakcliff International: $1,200.00
- 6.1.4. Thompson Cup: $1,200.00
6.2. Damage Deposits: An initial damage deposit of the following amounts shall be paid at registration at each respective event, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
   6.2.1. Chicago Grand Slam: $2,500.00
   6.2.2. Detroit Cup: $1,000.00
   6.2.3. Oakcliff International: $2,500.00
   6.2.4. Thompson Cup: $2,500.00

7. RULES
   7.1. Events will be governed by the rules as defined the Racing Rules of Sailing, including Appendix C.
   7.2. The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.
   7.3. Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply will be posted on the official notice board.
   7.4. Major alterations to the RRS:
      7.4.1. Add to RRS 41: (e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.
      7.4.2. RRS C8.6, C6.3, and C7.4 will be changed in the sailing instructions.
   7.5. An International Jury (IJ) may be appointed, approved by the national authority, in accordance with RRS Appendix N.
   7.6. The OA may place an observer on each boat to provide information to the umpires or to fulfill sponsor requirements.

8. BOATS AND SAILS
   The events will be sailed in the following types of boats (and number of boats supplied):
   8.1. Chicago Grand Slam: Sonar type boats (8)
   8.2. Detroit Cup: Ultimate 20 type boats (10)
   8.3. Oakcliff International: Match 40 (12)
   8.4. Thompson Cup: Match 40 (12)

9. CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)
   The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be the following:
   9.1. Chicago Grand Slam: 3 or 4 (weight limit 262.5 kg)
   9.2. Detroit Cup: 3 or 4 (weight limit 262.5 kg)
   9.3. Oakcliff International: 5 or 6 (weight limit 437.5 kg)
   9.4. Thompson Cup: 5 or 6 (weight limit 437.5 kg)

10. EVENT FORMAT
    Skippers will be seeded based on the World Sailing ranking list 30 days prior to the event. The event formats will vary per event, but will consist of a seed stage, knockout stages, and finals.

11. SERIES SCORING AND PRIZES
    11.1. Overall Grand Slam Series Scoring for 2019:
       11.1.1. Points will be allocated as noted below for all competitors in their best 3 of 4 events.
11.1.2. The team with the highest score will be the winner of the 2019 Grand Slam and will be invited to compete at the 2020 Congressional Cup. The top team’s name will be etched onto the trophy.

11.1.3. If there is a tie between two or more competitors, each competitor’s best three of four scores shall be listed in order of best to worst and the first point(s) where there is a difference, the tie shall be broken in favor of the competitor(s) with the best score(s).

11.1.4. If a tie remains between two or more competitors, they shall be ranked in order of their scores in the last event, then the next to last event, etc.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Place Points</th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>First</td>
<td>100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Second</td>
<td>80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Third</td>
<td>65</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fourth</td>
<td>55</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fifth</td>
<td>40</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sixth</td>
<td>35</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Seventh</td>
<td>30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Eighth</td>
<td>25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ninth</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tenth</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Eleventh</td>
<td>10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Twelfth</td>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

11.2. Additional individual event prizes and prize money:

11.2.1. Oakcliff International Prize Money. Event purse is $10,000.

12. PERSONAL FLOATATION DEVICES

12.1. Chicago Grand Slam and Detroit Cup: All competitors shall wear, while on the water, other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing, a personal floatation device. Competitors shall supply their own PFD’s.

12.2. Oakcliff International and Thompson Cup: Competitors should be prepared to supply their own PFD’s in the event the RC signals that they must be worn. For the Oakcliff International, competitors may borrow PFD’s from Oakcliff Sailing.

13. DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, however caused.

Date of Issue: January 21, 2019

Notice of Series version number: 2