

**GREAT LAKES SINGLEHANDED SOCIETY  
2017 PORT HURON / CHICAGO TO MACKINAC SOLO CHALLENGES  
2017 PORT HURON / CHICAGO SUPER MAC  
2017 PORT HURON / CHICAGO SUPER MAC and BACK**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**Amendments**

**1. The Courses and Marks**

**1.1 Port Huron to Chicago Super Mac Challenge**

- a) Start at Port Huron to Finish at Chicago
- b) Boats shall leave the Goderich mark to port. A full description of the mark shall be provided at the Skipper's meeting
- c) A Race Committee boat may be on station or the Race Committee may be monitoring the rounding from shore. During hours of darkness a boat shall illuminate its sail number for identification by the Race Committee.
- d) As an acceptable alternative, if the mark is off station or missing, a boat shall round GPS coordinates **(43 45.13 N and 81 45.59 W)** before proceeding on toward Mackinac Island
- e) Skippers shall record in the boat's log and on the Rounding Report, provided at the Skippers Meeting, the following information: the time of rounding, the identity and time of rounding of both the boats ahead and astern if known. Boats shall confirm the identity of the boat ahead and astern by VHF Channel 72 if possible.
- f) Thunder Bay Island and Bois Blanc Island are marks of the course and shall be left to port.
- g) Boats shall pass through the Finish Line at Mackinac Island, confirm their time with the Race Committee and that they intend to continue to Chicago. The time shall be entered on the Rounding Report.
- h) Boats shall leave the South Graham Shoal Buoy (LL No.12635) to starboard
- i) Boats shall pass under one of the three center spans of the Mackinac Bridge.
- j) Boats shall leave New Shoal Lighted Bell Buoy 3 (LL No.17745) to port. The rounding shall be entered on the Rounding Report
- k) Boats shall leave Grays Reef Passage Channel Lighted Buoy 7 (LL No.17780) to port
- l) Boats shall proceed to the Finish Line. The Finish Line shall be a line that extends between the south end of the Chicago Harbor outer break wall (LL No.19980) and the Four Mile Crib (LL No.19925). The time of finish shall be entered on the Rounding Report.

## 1.2 Port Huron to Chicago Super Mac and Back Challenge

- a) Start at Port Huron to Finish at Port Huron
- b) Boats shall leave the Goderich mark to port. A full description of the mark shall be provided at the Skipper's meeting
- c) A Race Committee boat may be on station or the Race Committee may be monitoring the rounding from shore. During hours of darkness a boat shall illuminate its sail number for identification by the Race Committee.
- d) As an acceptable alternative, if the mark is off station or missing, a boat shall round GPS coordinates **(43 45. 13N and 81 45. 59W)** before proceeding on toward Mackinac Island
- e) Skippers shall record in the boat's log and on the Rounding Report, provided at the Skippers Meeting, the following information: the time of rounding, the identity and time of rounding of both the boats ahead and astern if known. Boats shall confirm the identity of the boat ahead and astern **by VHF Channel 72** if possible.
- f) Thunder Bay Island and Bois Blanc Island are marks of the course and shall be left to port.
- g) Boats shall pass through the Finish Line at Mackinac Island, confirm their time with the Race Committee and confirm that they intend to continue to Chicago. The time shall be entered on the Rounding Report
- h) Boats shall leave the South Graham Shoal Buoy (LL No.12635) to starboard
- i) Boats shall pass under one of the three center spans of the Mackinac Bridge.
- j) Boats shall leave New Shoal Lighted Bell Buoy 3 (LL No.17745) to port. The time of rounding shall be entered on the Rounding Report.
- k) Boats shall leave Grays Reef Passage Channel Lighted Buoy 7 (LL No.17780) to port
- l) Boats shall proceed to the Four Mile Crib (LL No.19925) which shall be rounded to starboard. The time of rounding shall be entered on the Rounding Report.
- m) Boats shall leave Grays Reef Passage Channel Lighted Buoy 7 (LL No.17780) to starboard.
- n) Boats shall leave New Shoal Lighted Bell Buoy 3 (LL No.17745) to starboard. The time of rounding shall be entered on the Rounding Report.
- o) Boats shall pass under one of the three center spans of the Mackinac Bridge.
- p) Boats shall leave South Graham Shoal Buoy (LL No.12635) to port.
- q) Boats shall then pass through the finish line at Mackinac Island. The time shall be entered on the Rounding Report.
- r) Bois Blanc and Thunder Bay Island are marks of the course and shall be left to starboard.
- s) Boats shall sail to Goderich and round GPS coordinates **(43 45. 13N and 81 45. 59W)**. The time of rounding shall be entered on the Rounding Report.
- t) Boats shall finish between Lighted Buoy 11 (LL No 10085) and Lighted Buoy 12 (LL No.10090). The finish time shall be entered on the Rounding Report.

### 1.3 Chicago to Port Huron Super Mac Challenge

- (a) Start at Chicago to Finish at Port Huron.
- (b) Boats shall leave Grays Reef Passage Channel Lighted Buoy 7 (LL No.17780) to starboard.
- (c) Boats shall leave New Shoal Lighted Bell Buoy 3 (LL No.17745) to starboard. A full description of the Grays Reef mark shall be provided at the Skippers' Meeting
- (d) Skippers shall record in the boat's log and on the Rounding Report, provided at the Skippers Meeting, the following information: the time of rounding, the identity and time of rounding of both the boats ahead and astern if known. Boats shall confirm the identity of the boats ahead and astern by VHF **Channel 72** if possible.
- (e) Boats shall pass under one of the three center spans of the Mackinac Bridge.
- (f) Boats shall leave South Graham Shoal Buoy (LL No.12635) to port.
- (g) Boats shall then pass through the finish line at Mackinac Island, confirm the time with the Race Committee and that they intend to continue to Port Huron. The time shall also be entered on the Rounding Report.
- (h) Bois Blanc and Thunder Bay Island are marks of the course and shall be left to starboard.
- (i) Boats shall sail to Goderich and round GPS coordinates **(43 45. 13N and 81 45. 59W.)** The time of rounding shall be entered on the Rounding Report.
- (j) Boats shall finish between Lighted Buoy 11 (LL No.10085) and Lighted Buoy 12 (LL No.10090). The finish time is to be recorded on the Rounding Report.

### 1.4 Chicago to Port Huron and Super Mac and Back Challenge

- a) Start at Chicago to Finish at Chicago
- b) Boats shall leave Grays Reef Passage Channel Lighted Buoy 7 (LL No.17780) to starboard.
- c) Boats shall leave New Shoal Lighted Bell Buoy 3 (LL No.17745) to starboard. A full description of the Grays Reef mark shall be provided at the Skippers' Meeting
- d) Skippers shall record in the boat's log and on the Rounding Report, provided at the Skippers Meeting, the following information: the time of rounding, the identity and time of rounding of both the boats ahead and astern if known. Boats shall confirm the identity of the boats ahead and astern by VHF **Channel 72** if possible.
- e) Boats shall pass under one of the three center spans of the Mackinac Bridge.
- f) Boats shall leave South Graham Shoal Buoy (LL No. 12635) to port.
- g) Boats shall then pass through the finish line at Mackinac Island, confirm the time with the Race Committee and that they intend to continue to Port Huron. The time shall also be entered on the Rounding report.
- h) Bois Blanc and Thunder Bay Island are marks of the course and shall be left to starboard.
- i) Boats shall sail to Goderich and round GPS coordinates **(43 45. 13N and 81 45. 59W.)**. The time of rounding shall be entered on the Rounding Report.

- j) Boats shall round Lighted Buoy 12 (LL No. 10090) to port. The rounding time is to be entered on the Rounding Report.
- k) Boat shall sail to Goderich and round GPS coordinates **(43 45. 13N and 81 45. 59W)** before proceeding on toward Mackinac Island. The time of rounding shall be recorded on the Rounding Report.
- l) Thunder Bay Island and Bois Blanc Island are marks of the course and shall be left to port.
- m) Boats shall pass through the Finish Line at Mackinac Island and enter the time on the Rounding Report.
- n) Boats shall leave the South Graham Shoal Buoy (LL No.12635) to starboard
- o) Boats shall pass under one of the three center spans of the Mackinac Bridge.
- p) Boats shall leave New Shoal Lighted Bell Buoy 3 (LL No.17745) to port. The rounding shall be entered on the Rounding Report
- q) Boats shall leave Grays Reef Passage Channel Lighted Buoy 7 (LL No.17780) to port
- r) Boats shall proceed to the Finish Line. The Finish Line shall be a line that extends between the south end of the Chicago Harbor outer break wall (LL No.19980) and the Four Mile Crib (LL No.19925). The time of finish shall be entered on the Rounding Report.