



# Grosse Pointe Sail Club

## 2026 Frostbite Race

October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026

### Notice of Race

**Race:** The GPSC Frostbite Race is open to all seaworthy monohull sailing yachts either owned or skippered by a GPSC member. It is comprised of:

One (1) Jib-and-Main (JAM) Race on Sunday October 11, 2026. Warning signal is scheduled for 1355 hours.

**Awards:** Awards are presented at the annual GPSC Awards Party on Friday, November 6, 2025, for boats placing 1, 2 and 3. Skippers earning an award will receive an invitation. Further details will be available on the GPSC website ([www.gpsc.org](http://www.gpsc.org)).

**Chili Party:** Please join us for our annual Chili Party following the race in the Tomkins Center.

**Management Rules:** The race will be governed by the Sailing Instructions and The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028, including US Sailing prescriptions except as stated herein. The race will be managed by the GPSC Race Committee, which will have the authority to establish the racing conditions and interpret the racing rules.

**Registration:** The completed registration must be received by the GPSC Race Committee prior to racing. The 2026 Sailing Instructions and GybeHub registration are linked on the GPSC website ([www.gpsc.org](http://www.gpsc.org)). Questions shall be directed to [racechair@gpsc.org](mailto:racechair@gpsc.org). Please forward registration to the Race Chair:

**Com. Mary Fraser**  
**[racechair@gpsc.org](mailto:racechair@gpsc.org)**

**Classes and Starts:** The race includes a single Jib and Main (JAM) class with warning signal at 1355. Starting class Flag shall be code pennant 1.

**Courses:** Course and class assignments are set forth in the Sailing Instructions. An illustrative chart of the Sundown course with relevant approximate GPSC and navigation buoy locations is available for download from the GPSC website ([www.gpsc.org](http://www.gpsc.org)) race section.

**Special Signal for Freighter Traffic:** The “F” Olag signal (red diamond on a white background) with an audible alert will be displayed whenever a freighter or restricted vessel is in the vicinity of the starting line or course. While the “F” signal is displayed, boats preparing to start shall vacate the shipping channel.

*Please note Sailing Instructions regarding GPSC responsibility to the US Coast Guard and enforcement of flag “F”. A GPSC patrol boat will be on station to ensure adherence of these rules. Race entrants who interfere with commercial river traffic may be asked to immediately discontinue racing based on the severity of the infraction. The Sailing Instructions will have more details.*

**Waiver of Liability:** Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors at this event are participating entirely at their own risk. Competitors must read the Racing Rules of Sailing Decision to Race and hereby acknowledge and agree that they are participating in this event entirely at our own risk. Competitors acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority nor the race committee, nor their members, will be responsible for (a) any damage to the entered boat or my other property, or (b) any injury to myself or my crew, including death, sustained as a result of the participation of myself, my crew, and the boat in this event. Competitors hereby waive any rights they may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or another organization or official) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by themselves or their crew as a result of our participation in this event and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law. Competitors must take all necessary steps to ensure that they, their crew, and the entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.