



2025 MAA Summer Conference – Mackinac Island Guest Guide

Grand Hotel | July 17-20, 2025

Welcome to the 2025 MAA Summer Conference! This guide provides helpful information to make your visit to Mackinac Island and your stay at the Grand Hotel as smooth and enjoyable as possible.

Getting to the Island

Ferry Transportation

Shepler's Ferry – Mackinaw City Dock

📍 556 E. Central Avenue, Mackinaw City, MI 49701

🌐 www.sheplersferry.com (visit website if departing from St. Ignace for details)

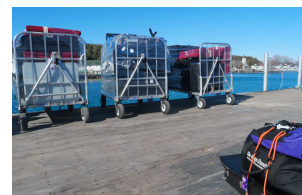


MAA has teamed up with Shepler's to offer our group a **special discount. \$28 (adult) & \$19 (kid) round trip tickets.** Promo Code: **MIAGG25** if ordering online or mention Michigan Aggregates Association at the ticket booth.

- Departure Schedule from Mackinaw City Dock:
 - Ferries depart every 30 minutes between 7:30 am and 9:30 pm except between 9:00 am and 10:30 am when they depart every 15 minutes.
 - Please double check the website prior to arrival to ensure there are no changes to this schedule.
- Parking:
 - Limited parking is available at the dock.
 - Remote secured parking is available with a shuttle to the dock.
 - Parking assignments are provided by the dock attendant upon arrival.

Luggage Handling

- At the Dock:
 - Let Shepler's staff know you are staying at the Grand Hotel.
 - Bags will be tagged and transferred directly to the hotel.
 - You will not have access to your luggage until check-in.
 - Keep your luggage tickets provided by the staff—these are required at hotel check-in.



If you have any questions or need assistance during your stay, MAA staff will be available to help.
We look forward to seeing you on the island!

Arriving on Mackinac Island

- Transportation to the Hotel:
 - You may walk to the Grand Hotel (approx. 15-minute walk), or
 - Take a horse-drawn taxi (available near the ferry dock; allow extra time for waiting).
 - Note: Taxis are \$9 per person and cash only between 8:00 am – 5:00 pm. After 5:00 pm you will need to call the company directly at 906-847-3323.



Hotel Check-In & Dress Code

Grand Hotel Check-In

- Present your luggage tickets at the front desk so your bags can be delivered to your room.
- Luggage delivery may take up to an hour—plan your arrival outfit accordingly.
- If arriving later in the afternoon, be prepared to wear the same outfit to the Opening Reception and Dinner in case your luggage takes longer to arrive.

Dress Code

- During the day, casual resort clothing is appropriate. Prior to 6:30 pm, please no midriff-baring tops, sweatpants or cut-off shorts for ladies. For gentlemen, no sleeveless shirts, sweatpants or cut-off shorts.
- After 6:30 pm, dresses, skirts, blouses, dress sweaters, and dress slacks for ladies are required, while gentlemen are required to wear a suit or sport coat, necktie, and dress pants, no denim or shorts. This applies to the main level of the hotel as well as the front porch.
- Children 12 years and older are expected to be in dress similar to the adults.
- **For the MAA Opening Dinner a coat is required for gentlemen but not a tie.**
- Jeans are not permitted in areas with enforced dress codes.

Activities & Logistics

Golf

- Golf clubs will be delivered to the course.
- After your round, request staff to ship clubs back to the mainland for return pick-up. Make sure to specify which dock (Mackinaw City or St. Ignace).
- If no request is made, clubs will remain on the island in a secured tent.

Bicycles

- You may bring your own bike (bike racks available at the hotel; don't forget your lock!).
- Only Class 1 electric bikes (without a throttle) are allowed for individuals with mobility disability.
- There will be an extra charge to bring bikes on the ferry.
- If renting, arrive early—bike availability is limited and wait times may occur.

Departure Information

- Call the Grand Hotel front desk at least 2 hours before departing to schedule bag pickup.
- Place bags outside your room after calling the front desk. Make sure to specify which dock (Mackinaw City or St. Ignace).
- Hotel staff will ensure your luggage is sent to the ferry dock for your return trip.

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