



Monroe Boat Club Sailing Fleet

51st Annual Sisters Race

2018 Notice of Race

RULES: Races will be governed by the current US Sailing Association Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS) and PHRF-LE Class Rules, except as modified by this Notice of Race or the 2018 Sailing Instructions. Each yacht must conform to the USCG requirements for their vessel.

ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY: The race is open to all single-hulled, auxiliary sailboats. Each entry must possess a current PHRF handicap rating certificate and a minimum of \$100,000 liability insurance. A copy of current certificate and insurance must accompany entry fee. *Exception: Boats not possessing a certificate may participate once per season, in a single race. They will be assigned a standard rating minus seven (-7) seconds per nautical mile.*

Eligible boats may register in advance by mail, in person, or online at <http://www.noticeofrace.net/organizer.aspx?&ID=54>. Registration forms will be available at the MBC clubhouse. Open registration at MBC will be held on Friday, August 10 from 7:00 until 8:30 pm. *Under certain circumstances, a late entry may be accepted provided the required paperwork and entry fee is submitted PRIOR TO THE START OF THE RACE.*

FEES: The entry fee is \$35.00

SCHEDULE:

ADVANCE REGISTRATION:	<u>By mail</u> prior to August 8, 2018.
OPEN REGISTRATION:	<u>In person</u> , Friday, August 10, 2018, 7:00 – 8:30 pm
RACING:	Saturday, August 11, 2018, 10:00 am
AWARDS:	Following protest hearings and scoring in MBC's Pavilion.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: The Sailing Instructions will be available no later than August 1, 2018 at the MBC clubhouse.

VENUE: Races will be sailed in Western Lake Erie.

COURSES: Marks of the course for PHRF Classes: NCYC Center racing buoy, NCYC East racing buoy, Monroe Channel G1, Toledo Channel R-10, NCYC South racing buoy, Toledo Harbor Light, and NCYC North racing buoy. For scoring purposes, the course will be considered 23.2nm.

Marks of the course for JAM are the NCYC Center racing buoy, NCYC East racing buoy, Monroe Channel G-1, Toledo Channel R-10, and NCYC North racing buoy. For scoring purposes, the JAM course will be considered to be 15.9nm.

PENALTY SYSTEM: RRS 44.1 and 44.2 (Turns Penalties) will be in effect.

SCORING: The Low Point System of Appendix A of the RRS will apply.

RADIO COMMUNICATION: Each boat shall have onboard an operating VHF radio, capable of both transmitting and receiving, and monitoring Ch. 71 while racing. This is the only method to immediately broadcast potentially life and/or property saving information to the entire fleet and other potential responders at once.

PRIZES: Award flags will be awarded to the top three finishers of each class of three or more boats. A Perpetual Trophy will be engraved with the name of the top finisher in the PHRF division. All will be presented on Sailors Banquet Night.

CHAMPIONSHIP: This race counts toward the AYC Championship Series

FURTHER INFORMATION: For further information, please contact Troy Willett 989-710-7888