MONROE BOAT CLUB 7932 BOLLES HARBOR DRIVE MONROE, MI 48161



MONROE BOAT CLUB SAIL FLEET 2025 (58th) SISTERS RACE SATURDAY – JUNE 28, 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1. The notation (NP) in a rule means that a boat may not protest for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 1.2. The notation **(DP)** in a rule means that a boat may be given a Discretionary Penalty for breaking that rule. This adds to RRS 64.

2. RULES:

- 2.1. Race will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS) and PHRF-LE Class Rules, except as modified by this Notice of Race or the 2025 Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2. Each yacht must conform to the USCG requirements for their vessel.

3. ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY:

- 3.1. 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 PHRF certificate and insurance must accompany entry fee.
- 3.2. Exception: Boats not possessing a PHRF certificate may participate in a Racing Division in a regatta or single race once per season,. They will be assigned a "provisional" standard rating minus seven (-7) seconds per nautical mile.
- 3.3. Eligible boats may register in advance by mail, in person, or online at <u>www.NoticeOfRace.net</u>
- 3.4. Registration forms will be available at the MBC clubhouse and online at www.NoticeOfRace.net.
- 3.5. Open registration at MBC will be held on Friday, June 27 from 6:30pm until 8:30 pm.
- 3.6. 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.
- **4. FEES:** The entry fee is \$45.00 if payment received by June 21 After June 21, entry fee is \$60.00

5. SCHEDULE:

5.1. ADVANCE REGISTRATION:	By mail or Online prior received by June 27, 2025
5.2. OPEN REGISTRATION:	<u>In person</u> , Friday, June 27, 2025, 6:30pm – 8:30 pm
5.3. RACING:	Saturday, June 28, 2025, 9:00 am
5.4. AWARDS:	Following hearing requests and scoring in MBC's Pavilion.

- 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: The Sailing Instructions will be available no later than June 20, 2025 at the MBC clubhouse and online at www.NoticeOfRace.net
- 7. VENUE: Races will be sailed in Western Lake Erie.

8. COURSES:

- 8.1. **PHRF Division**: The Start will be at the NCYC "Center" buoy, continuing around islands, private or government buoys, finishing at the NCYC "North" buoy. Courses and specific course lengths from 15nm to 39nm to be specified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 8.2. **JAM Division:** The Start will be at the NCYC "Center" buoy, continuing around islands, private or government buoys, finishing at the NCYC "North" Buoy. Courses and specific course lengths from 15nm to 29nm to be specified in the Sailing Instructions.
- **9. PENALTY SYSTEM:** RRS 44.1 and 44.2 (Turns Penalties) will be in effect. If circumstances dictate a penalty less than DSQ, the penalty will be a minimum of 3 places at the discretion of the Protest Committee. **(DP)**
- 10. SCORING: The Low Point System of Appendix A of the RRS will apply.
- 11. RADIO COMMUNICATION: (DP) Each boat shall have onboard an operating VHF radio, capable of both transmitting and receiving, and shall monitor Chs. 16/71 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.
- **12. PRIZES:** Flags will be awarded to the top three finishers of each class with five or more boats. For three boats in a class, first place only will be awarded. For four boats in a class, first and second will be awarded. A Perpetual Trophy

will be engraved with the name of the top finisher in the PHRF and JAM divisions. Awards will be presented at the Awards Ceremony.

- 13. CHAMPIONSHIP: This race counts toward the AYC and PHRF LE Championship Series
- 14. FURTHER INFORMATION: For further information, please contact Sisters Race Chairman Burt Gilson at <u>BurtGilson@gmail.com</u>