



1. **RULES**

The races will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)

2. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Recreation Room of MBC, and the waterside windows of the club.

3. **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board not later than one hour before the affected race.

4. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located near the waterside of MBC. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in the race signal AP.

5. **SCHEDULE OF RACES**

A competitors' meeting will be held at MBC at 9:00pm on Friday, July 18, 2008 or at the close of registration.

RACING: One race will be sailed, Saturday, July 19, 2008.

The scheduled time for the warning signal will be at 9:55 am.

6. **CLASS FLAGS AND ORDER OF STARTS**

Classes will start in the following order:

Approximate Starting Times:

PHRF C	White	09:55 am	Warning Signal (PHRF C)
PHRF B	Purple	10:00 am	PHRF C Start
PHRF A	Pink	10:05 am	PHRF B Start
JAM	Yellow	10:10 am	PHRF A Start
		10:15 am	JAM Start

On-water postponement: Code Flag "AP" and two sound signals. The Warning Signal will be made one minute after lowering the "AP" flag.

7. **RACING AREA**

The racing area will be in western Lake Erie.

8. **THE START**

Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal. The starting line will be between an orange flag on the R/C boat and the North racing mark. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

9. **COURSE(S)**

Course will be indicated by black number on white board by the Race Committee. A green flag on the R/C boat will indicate marks to starboard; a red flag indicates marks to port.

**PHRF COURSE 1** Marks for PHRF are West Sister and Middle Sister Islands. For scoring purposes, this course will be considered to be 37.4 nm.

**PHRF COURSE 2** Marks for PHRF are the outermost green buoy (G-1) of the Monroe channel, and West Sister Island. For scoring purposes, this course will be considered to be 26.1 nm.

**PHRF COURSE 3** Marks for PHRF are West Sister Island and Toledo Channel Harbor Light. For scoring purposes, this course will be considered to be 25.8 nm.

**JAM COURSE** Marks of the course for JAM are the outermost green buoy (G-1) of the Monroe channel and the R-18 buoy of the Toledo channel. For scoring purposes, this course will be considered to be 15.5 nm.

**10. THE FINISH**

The finish line will be between an orange flag on the R/C boat and the North racing mark unless shortened or abandoned (See RRS 32).

**11. MARKS**

PHRF:

West Sister Island  
Middle Sister Island  
G-1 Monroe Channel buoy  
Toledo Channel Harbor Light

JAM:

G-1 Monroe Channel buoy  
R-18 Toledo Channel buoy

**12. INDIVIDUAL RECALLS**

The R/C boat will fly the "X" flag and signal in accordance with Rule 29.1, and MAY attempt to notify individual yacht(s) by hail. However, failure of a yacht to hear her recall shall not relieve her of her obligation to start correctly. There will be no general recalls.

**13. TIME LIMIT**

There will be no time limit.

**14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

Protest flags must be flown. Protest forms are available on the official notice board (Sail Fleet Bulletin Board).  
Protests shall be delivered to Protest file folder (MBC Sail Fleet bulletin board) within 1.0 hour after the race committee/finish boat docks.

The protesting yacht must notify the R/C boat at the finish line of her intent to protest and the sail number of the protested yacht. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing in MBC Commodore's Room. All interested parties must be present.

A boat that has taken a penalty under RRS 31.2 or 44.1 shall notify the Race Committee after it has finished the race.

**15. SCORING**

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

**16. SAFETY**

Each competitor is responsible for the personal safety of him/herself, his/her crew and yacht. It shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the skipper and crew of the yacht to decide whether or not to start, continue, or finish a race.

All yachts shall follow the U.S. Coast Guard requirements for carrying lights at night.

Retirement: A yacht that retires shall notify the Race Committee, verbally, via mobile phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ), or using VHF channel 71, before leaving the racing area. If that is not possible, the yacht shall notify MBC as soon as possible. The club monitors VHF channel 16. Club telephone: (734) 243-8935.

**17. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile (cell) telephones.

**18. TROPHIES AND PRIZES**

Flags will be awarded to the top three finishers of each class. A Perpetual Trophy is awarded to the top finisher in the PHRF division.