

RISK STATEMENT

Powerboat Racing is by its nature a dangerous sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk.

By participating in, or becoming involved with, Powerboat Racing organized by APBA affiliated clubs either as a participant, team member or otherwise, individuals agree and acknowledge that:

They are aware of the inherent risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for exposing themselves to such inherent risk, including risks to their person, such as drowning, hypothermia, collision injuries, burns and other physical injuries and possible death. They further accept responsibility for possible damage to any property.

They have satisfied themselves that they have the necessary skill and knowledge to take part in the event and deal with the conditions that may arise during a race. They will not participate in the event whilst under the influence of alcohol, drugs or whilst otherwise unfit to participate.

They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat, and their property, whether afloat or ashore. The management of their boat, including insurance, is solely their responsibility. Scrutineering does not constitute a condition survey of the boat and it is solely the participant's responsibility to decide whether to start or to continue in any powerboat race.

Ensuring the efficiency and suitability of helmets and racing vests worn is solely the participant's responsibility. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, and other volunteers by the event organizers does not relieve them of their responsibilities.

The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances. To be bound by the conditions of the Race Entry Form, Racing Instructions, and the General Competition Rules of the UIM and the APBA.

They will accept the decisions of the organizing committee and officials nominated by the organizing committee.

INDEMNITY

Participants in the event will be required, when signing into the event, to hold harmless and keep indemnified:

- (a) The owners of the premises at which the event is held.
- (b) The organizing club, the sponsors and the UIM, APBA and their respective officials, staff, employees, and agents; and the city, county and /or principality where the race is held.
- (c) The other boat owners, drivers, passengers, or mechanics engaged in the meeting, (Together with the "Indemnified Parties") AGAINST all actions, claims, costs, expenses and demands in respect to the loss of, or damage to, the property or personal injury sustained. To the Indemnified Parties to the extent caused by the participants, their crew, their boat, their mechanics, support team, representatives, or agents.

IMPORTANT NOTE

Persons under the age of 18 must have written authority signed by either Parent or Legal Guardian, Proof of age is required.

THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR A TEAM'S DECISION TO PARTICIPATE IN A RACE OR
TO CONTINUE RACING IS THEIRS ALONE

1. EVENT SANCTION

This event has been approved by the American Powerboat Association (APBA), the USA National Governing Body for Powerboat Racing in the United States of America. This event is classified as a special event.

2. RACE AND STATUS

CLASS	RACE STATUS	EVENT
OFFSHORE	APBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	ROUND 5

3. COMPETITORS' RESPONSIBILITY

Competitors must read the Risk Statement and Indemnity at the front of these race instructions. It is the competitor's sole responsibility to decide whether to start or continue in a race once passed inspections.

4. RACE OFFICIALS

RACE SECRETARY:

Holly Steinert

Cell: 386-689-2234

Email: hollysteinert7@gmail.com

OFFICIAL	NAME	CONTACT INFO	OFFICIAL	NAME	CONTACT INFO
REFEREE	Mark Austin	321-388-1101	SCORING	Tara Woodard	727-678-5301
SAFETY OFFICER	Shawn Steinert	407-619-3367	RACE DIRECTOR	Michelle Petro	352-572-8686
CRANE OPERATION	Dennis and Kelly Loch	224-406-0007	PIT MANAGER	Ralph Young	941-662-5114
P1 OPERATIONS MGR	Sean Hagen	407-956-0304	TECH DIRECTOR	Rich Dancisin	732-600-5054

5. RULES AND REGULATIONS:

The races will run under the current APBA Offshore Rulebook together with these Race Instructions and any race bulletins issued before or at Drivers meetings.

The Organizers reserve the right to change these Instructions at any time for safety reasons, provided that any change will be in accordance with the current rules. Any changes will be communicated to competitors in a Race Bulletin and, if possible, announced at the Drivers' meeting.

Organizers have the right to refuse any boat which they consider unsuitable and/or does not conform to the requirements of the present Rules.

Any infringement of the Rules or of the Race Instructions, or instructions issued at Drivers' meeting or in race Bulletins may lead to disqualification or other penalties being applied by the organizing club.

6. CANCELLATION

The Organizers may cancel or postpone the event or a race at any time in the event of bad weather, equipment failure or otherwise. The entry fee is non-refundable unless specified by event organizers.

7. COMMUNICATION – RADIO CHANNEL – RACE TEAM / RACE CONTROL – MARINE VHF 78

8. RACE ADMINISTRATION SIGN IN:

Registration will take place in the Yacht Club located next to the pits. Please see the site map for the location.

The Capsule training will not be available in Sheboygan. If you have a team member who needs to go through the capsule training, he / she will need to complete the test prior to this event. If you are unable to make it to registration at the designated time, please contact Lesley Austin to make other arrangements for signing in.

9. PIT AREA

There will be parking for your tow vehicles and boat in the pit area, please check with the pit officials when you arrive so you can be directed to your allocated pit area. If you arrive after 6pm Thursday, please park in the Armory Green area or along Broughton but please be prepared to move to your designated location in the morning. Space will be limited, please do not bring any non-essential vehicles into the pits. If you have any questions, please contact Ralph Young.



10. SCHEDULE – SUBJECT TO CHANGE

FRIDAY AUG 9TH	FROM	UNTIL	
REGISTRATION & PITS OPEN	08:00AM	05:00PM	YOUTH YACHT CLUB
SAFETY AND TECHNICAL INSPECTIONS	08:00AM	11:00PM	PITS
CRANES OPEN	09:00AM	06:30PM	BOAT RAMPS
IMMERSION / SWIM TESTS	10:00AM	1:00PM	TBC
FUELING	12:00PM	04:00PM	HOT PITS
TESTING	01:00PM	04:00PM	RACECOURSE
STAGING FOR PARADE / BLOCK PARTY	05:00PM	05:30PM	PITS
BLOCK PARTY	06:00PM	10:00PM	CITY GREEN
RETURN TO PITS	10:00PM		
SATURDAY AUG 10TH	FROM	UNTIL	
FUELING OPEN & CRANES OPEN	07:00AM	06:30PM	PITS
PHYSICAL ASSESSMENTS	07:00AM	08:00AM	YOUTH YACHT CLUB
DRIVER'S BRIEFING	08:00AM	09:00AM	
OPENING CEREMONY	11:00AM	11:30AM	VIP AREA
TESTING	09:30AM	11:30AM	RACECOURSE
QUAL – CLASS 1 QUALIFYING	11:30AM	12:30PM	RACECOURSE
RACE 1 – SUPERSTOCK	12:45PM	01:45PM	RACECOURSE
RACE 2 – FS450R, SV	02:15PM	03:15PM	RACECOURSE
RACE 3 – CLASS 1 – RACE 1 – 40 MINS PLUS 1 LAP	03:15PM	04:15PM	RACECOURSE
SUNDAY AUG 11TH	FROM	UNTIL	
PHYSICAL ASSESSMENTS - OFFSHORE	06:00AM	06:30AM	YACHT CLUB
DRIVER'S BRIEFING	07:00AM	07:30AM	YACHT CLUB
FUELING OPEN & CRANES OPEN	08:00AM	05:00PM	PITS
OPENING CEREMONY	10:00AM	10:30AM	VIP AREA
RACE 4 – CLASS 1 – RACE 2 – 30 MINS PLUS 1 LAP	11:00AM	12:00PM	RACECOURSE
RACE 5 – BRACKET CLASS 700, 600, 500	12:15PM	01:15PM	RACECOURSE
HELO REFUEL	01:15PM	01:45PM	
RACE 6 – MOD V, BRACKET 400, 300, 200	01:45PM	02:45PM	RACECOURSE
RACE 7 – SUPERCAT	02:45PM	03:15PM	RACECOURSE
AWARDS	05:00PM		VIP AREA

11. FUELING ARRANGEMENTS

Fueling will take place on Friday from 12:00pm – 4:00pm, Saturday from 7am to 6:30pm and Sunday from 8:00am to 12:00pm. The fuel truck will be near the ramps in the pit area which will also be designated as the “Hot Pit” area. This will be a restricted area and only race teams and their working crew will be allowed access to this area. Please review schedule for fueling times.

Fuel will be provided by Sunoco.

Mandatory Minimum On-site Purchase

Class 1	125 gallons
Super Cat	100 gallons
VX	100 gallons
Factory Stock 450R	75 gallons
Super Stock	35 gallons
Mod V & Stock V	35 gallons
Bracket Class 100	35 gallons
Bracket Class 200	35 gallons
Bracket Class 300	35 gallons
Bracket Class 400	35 gallons
Bracket Class 500	35 gallons
Bracket Class 600	35 gallons
Bracket Class 700, 3X, 3C	25 gallons

12. WASTE OIL AND REFUSE DISPOSAL

Please make sure you dispose of any fuel, oil, and waste properly in an environmentally friendly manner. Please dispose of all trash and refuse in proper containers. There will be trash receptacles in the pit area for your convenience. Waste oil must not be placed in public dumpsters or trash cans. Any team who leaves any kind of waste or refuse in the pit area will be charged for the cleanup.

13. INSPECTIONS – Safety Inspections will all take place on Friday and Saturday. See timetable for times.

The Inspector must sign your boat off before the end of the Inspection time scheduled. Boats may not launch prior to being inspected and signed off. Safety inspections will occur in the tech area. An example inspection sheet is included at the end of this driver’s packet.

14. LAUNCHING

Launching is the boat crew’s responsibility and should not be undertaken before inspections, unless otherwise stated. There will be ONE cranes on site and will be located in the boat ramp. It will remain in that location for the entire weekend. Details of marshalling the area and launch procedures will be given at the Drivers Meeting.

Please be ready by the time you arrive at the cranes when launching. All lifting straps must be on and lines ready. If you are not prepared to crane in, you will be asked to go to the back of the line so those who are prepared can be craned. You must return your rig to your designated pit area once your boat has been craned in.

15. TESTING – RULES OF THE ROAD – COURSE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR TESTING

The testing will be on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. Please review the schedule for times. Any additional Information regarding testing will be issued by email, text and / or during the drivers meeting on Saturday morning.

- **TESTING WILL BE IN ON LAKE MICHIGAN.**
- **TESTING IN THE MARINA IS NOT PERMITTED.**
- **PLEASE BE AWARE OF LOCAL NO WAKE ZONES. NO WAKE THROUGH THE MARINA**

16. MANDATORY DRIVERS MEETING

The Drivers Meeting will take place at the Yacht Club Saturday and Sunday morning.

Signing-in will commence 15 minutes before the meeting. Driver and throttlemen must sign into the meeting by the start time and attend the entire briefing. A Roll Call will be held.

17. MANDATORY CAPSULE / SWIM TEST

All drivers, throttlemen and navigators must go through a swim and / or immersion (Dunk) test prior to racing. If you have not gone through a swim / immersion test and plan to race in Sheboygan, please make sure that you go through the test during the time allocated in Sheboygan. You will not be permitted to race without completing the testing. Location is to be confirmed.

18. NOISE AND SPEED RESTRICTIONS

Competitors must obey all local regulations and bylaws relating to excessive speed and noise. All competitors are requested to refrain from starting their engines unless necessary before proceeding to the race or official practice sessions. Failure to observe local regulations will result in penalties.

Please note, there is a no wake zone going through the Marina. Maintain a safe distance from other boats and obey the marine rules of the road. When traveling to and from the racecourse please follow the instructions of your escort, pace boat and / or law enforcement.

19. START PROCEEDURE

Standard one row rolling start.

20. COURSE DETAILS – 6-mile Course



COURSE BUOYS

A full description of the course and marks will be given at the Drivers’ meeting. **If a buoy is missed during racing, the race team must not turn around to pick it up.** Doing so will result in disqualification. A team who misses a buoy must continue to the next buoy. A missed buoy will result in a time penalty.

Please note: Any race team who damages a buoy(s) will be charged \$3,000 for replacement.

Race Distance (subject to change): 6-mile lap
Distance from pits to racecourse: less than 1 mile / 1.4Km
Course Direction: CLOCKWISE
Co-Ordinates: Will be provided at the drivers' meeting.
Finish Line: Is illustrated as white buoy in the diagram above.

Finishing the race: Once your team has raced past the checkered flag, please continue past the next buoy, and safely turn into the center of the course. The winning team will be given a checkered flag to parade if time permits.

The above schematic drawing of the course is provided for your assistance. It is not to be used as a chart for navigational purposes.

21. LAP COUNT

<u>LAPS - COURSE: 6 Miles +/-</u>		+ / -
Super Cat	11 laps	66 miles
Super Stock	9 laps	54 miles
Factory Stock (450)	9 laps	54 miles
VX	9 laps	54 miles
Mod V	8 laps	48 miles
Bracket Class 100	8 laps	48 miles
Bracket Class 200	8 laps	48 miles
Bracket Class 300	8 laps	48 miles
Bracket Class 400	8 laps	48 miles
Bracket Class 500	7 laps	42 miles
Bracket Class 600	7 laps	42 miles
Bracket Class 700	5 laps	30 miles
3C / 3X	5 laps	30 miles

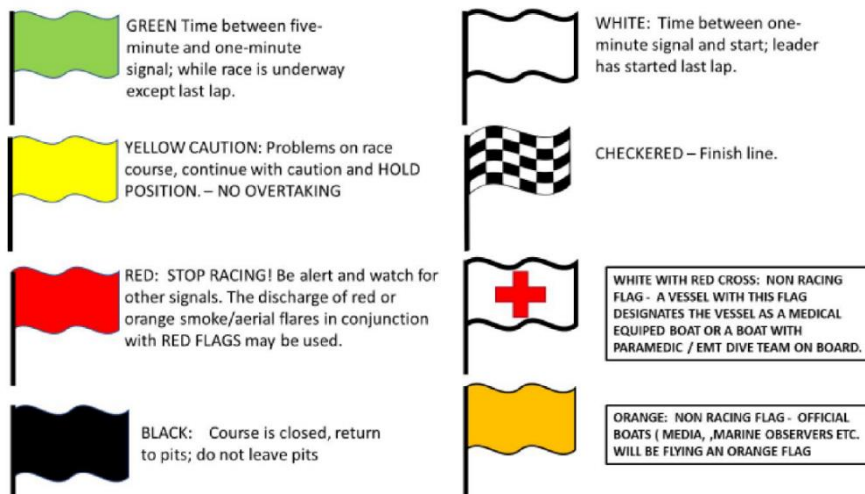
22. TOWING & SALVAGE: There will be no charge for salvage or towing

- **FAST RESPONSE**
- **S.E.A.S**

23. FLAG SIGNALS

Competitors must have a full understanding of all flag signals.

If a competitor misses two red flags in any one race, they will immediately be disqualified with no appeal.



24. POST-RACE INSPECTIONS:

Crew members must be available with their craft and all relevant mandatory equipment required, per class rules, for post-race inspections up to one hour after the posting of the Results. One or more engines may be checked, and fuel sampling may take place. Fourth place to stand by in case of technical infractions from one of 1st, 2nd, or 3rd. place finishes.

25. PROTESTS

Protest procedures will be followed as outlined in the APBA Rulebook.

Results will be posted on the bulletin board in the Yacht Club during the day. Protest forms will also be available at that location.

26. PRIZE GIVING:

See schedule for awards ceremony time.

27. TROPHIES:

Trophies will be presented at the award ceremony.

28. KEY LOCATIONS:

Meeting Locations:

Sheboygan Yacht Club
214 Pennsylvania Ave,
Sheboygan, WI 53081

Local Hospital:

Aurora Sheboygan Memorial Medical Center.
629 N 7th St
Sheboygan, WI 53083

Nearest International Airport:

MKE – Milwaukee International Airport
5300 S. Howell Ave,
Milwaukee, WI

Dry Pit Location:

821 Broughton Dr.,
Sheboygan, WI 53081

LAUNCHING LOCATIONS

Crane 1 & 2 – Ramps at the Yacht Club.
Yacht Club - 214 Pennsylvania Ave, Sheboygan, WI 53081

HOTEL

<https://crewfare.com/events/powerboat-p1-sheboygan/>

SAFETY INFORMATION

SAFETY TAKES PRIORITY OVER RACING AT ALL TIMES

All Race Boats must observe the International Rules for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea when encountering any other non-racing craft.

- A) Swimmers, board sailors, private and commercial craft of all types may be encountered. Competitors are always reminded to keep a sharp look out and to take the necessary action in accordance with the IRPCS Rules.
- B) Competitors are always reminded to keep a sharp lookout for any marine wildlife that may be in encountered in the vicinity of the racecourse and take the necessary avoiding action.
- C) Competitors are warned to remember their speed and the fact that other craft may not be fully aware or able to keep clear.
- D) Competitors are asked to bear in mind that Official Patrol & Rescue boats have no power to insist that any craft or swimmer keep clear of the course of the race. Advice can only be given for the safety of other craft and swimmers.
- E) International Code Flag "A" denotes "DIVERS." Competitors must give a wide clearance of at least 300ft.
- F) The Course will be patrolled by Official Patrol & Rescue Boats with official Observer boats in the vicinity of certain race marks, other race marks may be observed from the shore.
- G) Any Official Patrol/Rescue boat may wave a yellow flag to give warning of imminent danger in its vicinity. Competitors seeing this signal are to acknowledge the signal, slow down and keep clear of the danger area.