

2025 CLASS 1 OFFSHORE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS



MERCURY RACING MIDWEST CHALLENGE SHEBOYGAN, WI



OFFSHORE RACE INSTRUCTIONS

ORGANIZING CLUB



POWERBOAT P1 USA LLC
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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 3
OFFSHORE	TRIPLE CROWN	ROUND 2

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: P1RacingReg@Gmail.com

REFEREE	VAL FIORILLO	
ASSISTANT REFEREE & START	JIM JACKSON	
RACE CONTROL	STU SLOTNICK	
RISK MANAGER		
SAFETY OFFICER	SHAWN STEINERT	
CHIEF TECH INSPECTOR	TOM RICHARD	
CRANE MANAGEMENT	DENNIS AND KELLY LOCH	
PIT MANAGEMENT	RALPH YOUNG	
RACE REGISTRATION	HOLLY STEINERT	
CHIEF SCORER	TARA WOODARD	
TIMING	RYAN SCAGLIONE	

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 Youth Sailing Club located next to the pits. Please see the site map for the location.

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 but be prepared to move to your designated location. Space will be limited, please be prepared to park non-essential vehicles in the parking lot in front of the YMCA. (Illustrated in blue on the site plan below)



10. SCHEDULE – SUBJECT TO CHANGE –

THURSDAY	FROM	UNTIL	LOCATION
TEAMS MOVE IN	08:00		PITS
FRIDAY	FROM	UNTIL	
REGISTRATION & PITS OPEN	08:00AM	05:00PM	YOUTH SAILING CLUB
SAFETY AND TECHNICAL INSPECTIONS	08:00AM	04:00PM	PITS
CRANES OPEN AND FUEL OPEN	09:00AM	04:30PM	BOAT RAMPS
CAPSULE TEST / DUNKER / SWIM TEST	10:00AM	01:00PM	TBC
TESTING – BOATS CLEARED TO TEST ONLY	11:30AM	03:30PM	RACECOURSE
STAGING FOR BLOCK PARTY	04:00PM	05:00PM	TEAMS WILL BE ISSUED NUMBERS
MOVE TO BLOCK PARTY	05:00PM	05:45PM	UNDER CONTROL OF POLICE
BLOCK PARTY	6:00PM	10:00PM	CITY GREEN
RETURN TO PITS	10:00PM	11:00PM	PITS
SATURDAY	FROM	UNTIL	
AQUAX RACE 1 – PRO ENDURO	08:00AM	09:00AM	
AQUAX RACE 1 – AM ENDURO	09:00AM	10:00AM	
PHYSICAL ASSESSMENTS – OFFSHORE	07:00AM	08:00AM	YOUTH SAILING CLUB
OFFSHORE DRIVER MEETING	08:00AM	09:00AM	YACHT CLUB
CRANES AND FUEL OPEN	08:00AM	06:00PM	
OPENING CEREMONY	10:00AM	10:30AM	
RACE 1 – BRACKET CLASS 700, 600, 500, 400	10:30AM	11:15AM	
RACE 2 – MODV, SUPER V, BRACKET CLASS 200, CAT 300	11:30AM	12:15PM	
HELO REFUEL	12:15PM	12:45PM	
RACE 3 – FACTORY STOCK	12:45PM	01:30PM	
RACE 4 – SUPER CAT	01:45PM	02:30PM	
HELO REFUEL	02:30PM	03:00PM	
RACE 5 – CLASS 1	03:00PM	03:45PM	
RACE 6 – SUPER STOCK	04:00PM	04:45PM	
AQUAX RACE 2 – PRO ENDURO	05:15PM	06:00PM	
SUNDAY	FROM	UNTIL	
PHYSICAL ASSESSMENTS – OFFSHORE	07:00AM	08:00AM	YOUTH SAILING CLUB
CRANES OPEN	08:00AM	05:00PM	PITS
FUEL OPEN	08:00AM	12:00PM	TBC
AQUAX RACE 2 – AM ENDURO	08:00AM	09:00AM	
AQUAX RACE 3 – PRO ENDURO	09:00AM	10:00AM	
OFFSHORE DRIVER MEETING	08:00AM	09:00AM	YACHT CLUB
OPENING CEREMONY	10:00AM	10:30AM	
RACE 7 – MOD V, BRACKET CLASS 200, SUPER V, CAT 300	10:30AM	11:15AM	OFFSHORE COURSE
RACE 8 – FACTORY STOCK	11:30AM	12:15PM	OFFSHORE COURSE
HELO REFUEL	12:15PM	12:45PM	OFFSHORE COURSE
RACE 9 - SUPER CAT	12:45PM	01:30PM	
RACE 10 – CLASS 1	01:45PM	02:30PM	
HELO REFUEL	02:30PM	03:00PM	
RACE 11 – SUPER STOCK	02:45PM	03:30PM	
AQUAX RACE 3 – AM ENDURO	04:00PM	04:45PM	
AWARDS	05:30PM		BLUE HARBOR - STAGE

11. FUELING ARRANGEMENTS

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 – please contact your class representative if you need specific fuel for your class. Sunoco will need to be notified by July 28th at the very latest.

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 and a fine will be imposed.

13. INSPECTIONS – Safety and tech Inspections will all take place on Friday. See schedule 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. An example inspection sheet is included at the end of this driver’s packet. Inspectors will come to your pit area for inspections.

14. LAUNCHING

Launching is the boat crew’s responsibility and should **not** be undertaken before inspections, unless otherwise stated. There will be two cranes located in the boat ramp. They 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 – COURSE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR TESTING

The testing will be on Friday from 11:30am until 3:30pm. Please review the schedule for times. Any additional Information regarding testing will be issued 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 Center Saturday and Sunday morning.

Signing-in will commence 15 minutes before the meeting. Driver and throttlemen for each race boat 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. Location of capsule / Dunk testing TBD.

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, race officials and / or law enforcement.

19. START PROCEEDURE: TBD – Flag start or Buoy Start

20. COURSE DETAILS – 5.9 -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 as outlined in the APBA rulebook.

Please note: Any race team who damages a buoy(s) will be charged a fine as outlined in the APBA rulebook.

Race Distance (subject to change):	5.9 -mile lap
Distance from pits to the south end of the course:	3.25 mile
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 finish buoy and when possible, safely turn into the center of the course. The winning team will be given a checkered flag to parade if time permits. Please wait until the racecourse is cold before approaching the scoring boat for your flag.

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

COURSE: 5.6 MILES +/- PLUS HALF LAP TO START –

CLASS	RACE 1 - SATURDAY	RACE 2 - SUNDAY	TOTAL WEEKEND LAPS
CLASS 1	7 LAPS / 41.3 MILES	8 LAPS / 47.2 MILES	15
SUPERSTOCK	5 LAPS / 29.5 MILES	5 LAPS / 29.5 MILES	9
FACTORY STOCK	8 LAPS / 47.2 MILES	8 LAPS / 47.2 MILES	16
SUPER VEE	4 LAPS / 23.6 MILES	4 LAPS / 23.6 MILES	9
MOD V	4 LAPS / 23.6 MILES	4 LAPS / 23.6 MILES	8
BRACKET CLASS 200	4 LAPS / 23.6 MILES	4 LAPS / 23.6 MILES	7
BRACKET CLASS 400	5 LAPS / 29.5 MILES	0	6
BRACKET CLASS 500	5 LAPS / 29.5 MILES	0	5
BRACKET CLASS 600	5 LAPS / 29.5 MILES	0	5
BRACKET CLASS 700	5 LAPS / 29.5 MILES	0	4
CAT 300	4 LAPS / 23.6 MILES	0	4

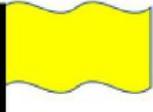
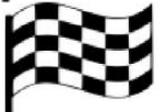
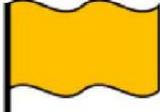
21. TOWING & SALVAGE:

- FAST RESPONSE
- SEAS

22. 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.

 <p>GREEN Time between five-minute and one-minute signal; while race is underway except last lap.</p>	 <p>WHITE: Time between one-minute signal and start; leader has started last lap.</p>
 <p>YELLOW CAUTION: Problems on race course, continue with caution and HOLD POSITION. – NO OVERTAKING</p>	 <p>CHECKERED – Finish line.</p>
 <p>RED: STOP RACING! Be alert and watch for other signals. The discharge of red or orange smoke/aerial flares in conjunction with RED FLAGS may be used.</p>	 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <p>WHITE WITH RED CROSS: NON RACING FLAG - A VESSEL WITH THIS FLAG DESIGNATES THE VESSEL AS A MEDICAL EQUIPPED BOAT OR A BOAT WITH PARAMEDIC / EMT DIVE TEAM ON BOARD.</p> </div>
 <p>BLACK: Course is closed, return to pits; do not leave pits</p>	 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <p>ORANGE: NON RACING FLAG - OFFICIAL BOATS (MEDIA, MARINE OBSERVERS ETC. WILL BE FLYING AN ORANGE FLAG</p> </div>

23. 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.

24. PROTESTS

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

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

25. PRIZE GIVING:

See the schedule for the awards ceremony.

26. TROPHIES:

Trophies will be presented at the award ceremony.

27. SMS SHARING DISCLOSURE

We utilize text message service to assist with sharing updated information before, during and sometimes after each event. No mobile information will be shared with third parties/affiliates for marketing/promotional purposes. SIGN UP FOR TEXT MESSAGES AND TEXT MESSAGE ALERTS Please scan the QR Code to sign up for text message alerts for P1 events. Please notify Holly if you do not receive text messages after you sign up.



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.

Ramps – 214 Pennsylvania Ave, Sheboygan, WI 53081

AquaX will be launching from the north beach.