



Michigan City Yacht Club

12 ½ On The Lake, Michigan City, IN 46360

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Sept 3rd 2023 -- St Joe to Michigan City – MCYC Sailing Instructions

1 GENERAL

Courtesy communications on VHF 78. Time reference CDT.

NOTICE REGARDING RAILROAD BRIDGE: This bridge will be opened and closed for trains between 0800 and 0900 CDT. The fleet may be notified by radio as to when the bridge will open and close. However, the bridge will be open between 0900 and 1100 CDT to all fleet traffic. Please plan your departure accordingly, so that your vessel is not late for check-in and/or starting.

1.2 COURSE

The course will be from a starting mark approximately 0.7nm SW of St. Joe Pier to Michigan City Yacht Club racing mark #5 approximately 0.7nm N of Michigan City Pier.

COURSE: 224°M

DISTANCE: 28.6nm

STARTING MARK: 42° 06.60'N 86° 30.50'W

FINISH MARK (MCYC#5 Orange Buoy): 41° 44.40'N 86° 54.70W

ALTERNATE STARTING MARK FOR HEAVY WEATHER

In the case of heavy weather, the starting line may be moved to the St. Joseph south pier head.

1.3 HANDICAP SCORING DISTANCE

The scoring distance will be 28.6nm

1.4 SAFETY: Life rafts or GPIRBs are suggested.

1.5 CLASS BREAKS

Suggested class breaks are below and may be amended based on actual entries

Section	LMPHRF Rating
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1	-‡ to 13
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2	14 to 55
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3	56 to 79
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4	80 to 116
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5	117 to ‡
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Multihull	ALL
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JAM/Cruiser	scored together in one section using non-spin and spin ratings respectively
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2 STARTING:

2.1 STARTING AREA



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Starting area: Starting mark or St. Joe pier. Announced by RC on VHF.

2.2 STARTING SEQUENCE

CASRA NOR 6.0 - Port to Port Sequence is replaced pursuant to following table.

Starting sequence may be adjusted based on actual section breaks in SI amendments.

First warning will be at 8:30AM regardless of section breaks.

St. Joe to Michigan City Starting Sequence							
	JAM/ Cruise	PHRF 3	PHRF 4	PHRF 3	PHRF 2	PHRF 1	Multi
Warning	8:30	8:35	8:40	8:45	8:50	8:55	9:00
Prep Up	8:31	8:36	8:41	8:46	8:51	8:56	9:01
Prep Down	8:34	8:39	8:44	8:49	8:54	8:59	9:04
Start	8:35	8:40	8:45	8:50	8:55	9:00	9:05

2.3 STARTING LINE

Between a mark on the port side of the starting line and the orange flag on the RC boat. RC may set a guard mark. Yachts shall not pass between the guard mark and the RC boat.

2.4 ALTERNATE STARTING

In the event of heavy weather, the start may be between the orange line flag on the end of the north pier head of the St. Joseph Harbor entrance and a stake boat, or drop mark, approximately 600 ft. west.

3 FINISHING

Finish Line: Between MCYC#5 mark to port and the blue flag on the RC boat. The RC boat will be to starboard.

Per GSI 10.2: Sail Number Boards shall be displayed on the yacht's starboard side. Yacht Finish Reports are required and must be turned in within one hour of your finish at RC headquarters in the Pavilion. Finish reports MUST include: yacht name & sail #, phone #; finish time CDT; boats ahead & behind if known. Reports may be sent by text to (219) 983-2042.

3.1 ALTERNATE FINISHING

In the case of heavy weather or if a committee boat is not on station, finish at MCYC Mark # 5 located at 41° 44.40N 86° 54.70W. The finish line will be due west from Mark 5 passing as close as practical to Mark 5 leaving it to Port. Competitors should take their own time and turn it in at the pavilion and send via text to 219-983-2042. Include sail number, boat name and time.

3.2 TIME LIMIT

Only yachts finishing by 2000 hours on the same day as the start will be considered as finishing. This changes RRS 35 and GSI 11.



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4 PRIZES

Per NOR 14.

In addition, 1st, 2nd & 3rd place brag flags will be awarded in the Pavilion at 8 PM.

6 DOCKAGE

Tri-state registered yachts can moor on the wall west and south of the yacht club at no charge. Slips in the basin can be rented via MC Port Authority (219-872-1712).

7 SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Party in the Pavilion. Awards ceremony at 8 PM CDT. **Details will be posted in an SSI amendment.** Ice and bottled water will also be available for purchase on Monday morning at the Base Camp store, near the Port Authority building. The bath house east of the Coast Guard station is available. All other bath houses are for MC Port Authority, slip holders and fee paying transients only.

Call MCPA, (219) 872-1712, to rent a slip.