

Albatross Yacht Club St. Elmo's Race
August 11, 2017
Sailing instructions

Rules: This race will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and these sailing instructions.

Management: The race is under the management of the AYC Board, which shall have final authority to establish racing conditions and interpret the RRS. AYC reserves the right to accept or deny any application.

Notices or changes to sailing instructions: Yacht Scoring website is the official notice board for this event. Any change to sailing instructions will be posted on Yacht Scoring website by 1630 of the day of the race. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the official notice board.

Warning and Start: Warning signal will be 1900 with the first start at 1905 and 5 minute intervals between each successive start. A sequence alert consisting of a series of sounds may be sounded one minute ahead of the warning signal. The absence of a sequence alert shall be disregarded.

Multi sail Format: Headsail usage - Any headsail included in a boats primary rating may be used. The choice of sails to use may be made during the race. There is no need to declare beforehand which sail combination will be used. The boats rating will be adjusted after the race has been completed. Race Chairman will use the sail configuration that was selected at time of registration unless you change during the race, then notify Race Chairman by text at 734-777-9874 within two hours of finish.

Class Splits: Class splits will be posted on Yacht Scoring website no later than two hours before the race.

Course: Start will be between the Clinton River buoy (CR 1) and the RC boat, then approximately 183 deg. To the St. Clair Light, leaving St. Clair Light to port and return to finish between CR 1 and RC boat.

Shortened course: A shortened course may be used at the discretion of the committee boat. Shortened course will start between CR 1 and the RC boat, then approximately 188 deg. To PH 1. Leaving PH 1 to port and return to finish between CR 1 and RC boat.

Time limit: Time limit shall be 7 hours for all class starts. One yacht finishing within the time limit constitutes a finish for its class and extends the time for that class. Yachts finishing after

the RC boat has departed from the finish line will take their own time when crossing the finish line. Report this time promptly to the Race Chairman at 734-777-9874.

Protests: All protests must be filed within two hours of finish time.

Insurance: AYC requires that all yachts are insured for the race.

Protection mark: When a committee boat mark is used, no yacht may properly start or finish by passing between this mark and the committee boat.

Restricted area: All yachts must keep clear of the starting area until the preparatory signal for their class.

Radio instructions: All racers shall monitor channel 72 during the race. Race committee will monitor channel 72 during the race.

Awards: All entries will receive a participatory award. Flags for the first three finishers in each class. Presentations immediately following the race at Markley Marina on North River Rd. Tell the guard you are a St. Elmo's race participant. Free hot dogs and refreshments for all.