

Hello Race Teams:

A reminder that the Early Bird Registration fee of \$350 is due on or before May 10. Registration is \$500 otherwise per team.

Please call Shirley Ackerman, Race Director/Chamber President 208.596.1103 to use a credit card by Sunday, May 10. Otherwise envelopes/checks to the St. Maries Chamber, P.O. BOX 162, St. Maries, ID 83861 must be postmarked by May 10 to get the discount. If any racers or crews still need accommodations, please contact Shirley, 208.596.1103.

Invasive Species stickers will be available for purchase from Kyla, Chief Scorer/Media Dir. during the week of the race and at registration. We will also have invasive species stickers available for purchase, Monday afternoon through Thursday of race week at the St. Maries Chamber office, 906 Main St., during business hours.

We are anticipating over 30 race teams for this year's TOYOTA Race the Joe! 2015.

In the interest of safety given the lower water conditions, we are asking all teams to observe the following conditions for pre-running:

Please run upstream from Aqua Park at the top of the hour. (8 a.m., 9 a.m., etc.)

Please keep to the right, where possible, when pre-running.

Run downstream from Calder or other areas of the river at the bottom of the hour. (8:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., etc.)

Pre-run and pleasure boats only may go all the way to Calder.

The sheriff has lifted the speed limits for race boats only for Wednesday, May 20 & Thursday, May 21.

ALL boats must obey the speed limits & no wake zone from Aqua Park until they have completely passed under the 3rd Street/Highway 3/St. Maries River Bridge. Failure to do so may result in a ticket from the sheriff's dept.

ABSOLUTELY NO boats on the St. Maries River. DO NOT go downriver of the Aqua Park boat ramp area as there is a construction project on the river.

Race boats may only pre-run the week of the race on the racecourse from Aqua Park to the St. Joe City Bridge, Mon. - Thurs.

On Thursday, May 21, if you would like to practice running with flags, please be on the river at the IFI Landing start no later than 2:15 p.m. The scorer's will be refreshing with flags at this time.

NO race boats on the river Friday. Pre-Run or pleasure boats only.

At this time, due to the anticipated number of entries, there will be NO REFUELING AT CALDER during the race.

A 15 minute penalty will be assessed to any team that refuels at Calder during the race.

Also a reminder, APBA 2015 helmet rules are in effect. Helmets must be Snell 2000 or newer or SFI 24.1 or newer. The upper 50% of the helmet must be a SOLID color of orange, fluorescent red, yellow or bright lime green with no graphics.

Safe travels & we look forward to seeing everyone in St. Maries soon.

Larry Darneille, Referee

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