

# WEST MICHIGAN YOUTH SAILING ASSOCIATION EMERGENCY ACTION CARD

## ST JOSEPH MICHIGAN

If possible, emergency assistance should be provided by trained Coaches.

The nearest Coach shall be the first to respond, regardless of sailor's club affiliation.

Spectators should only assist if trained Coaches are not nearby and the situation is extremely urgent.

STEP	ACTION	CONTACT	CONTACT METHOD
1	<b>Assess the situation.</b> A. Notify the Race Committee. B. Find a nearby coach. If no coach is available, render assistance and secure the area. Instruct other sailors to avoid the area and stabilize the sailor until help arrives.	RC and nearby coach	VHF ____ or VHF ____
2	<b>If emergency medical attention is required, call for help.</b> A. <b>To request ambulance or EMT</b> Coach or Race Committee calls 911. <b>Make sure to give them clear directions as to where they should park to be close to the dock where the injured sailor will arrive.</b> <i>St Joseph Coast Guard also monitors 911 broadcasts.</i> B. <b>For on-the-water rescue</b> Coach or Race Committee contacts the US Coast Guard. <i>Berrien County Sheriff Marine Patrol is coordinated through 911, Coast Guard may also coordinate Sheriff Patrol assistance.</i>	911 Emergency Center  US Coast Guard	Call 911  VHF channel 16

**BE PREPARED TO TELL 911 or EMERGENCY RESPONDERS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:**

- Current location of injured sailor
- Description of boats (if requesting on-the-water assistance)
- Where injured sailor will be brought to shore (see list and map on back side of this card)
- Age/gender/number of people injured
- Type of injury and/or situation
- Your name and call-back number
- If required, other contact persons and contact info as listed elsewhere on this card

3	<b>Communicate with on-shore Person.</b> Coach or Race Committee contacts WMYSA on-shore person. If WMYSA on-shore person does not answer, Coach or Race Committee contacts St Joseph Junior Sailing Center.	_____ phone _____  SJJF Sailing Center	_____
4	<b>Prepare to receive injured sailor</b> A. On-shore personnel clear a path for Emergency Vehicles to access the injured sailor. B. Coach transfers injured sailor to nearest on-shore location as shown on the map on the back of this card. C. Coach and on-shore personnel transfer injured sailor into the care of Emergency Responders.		

**LOCATION OF EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT AT ST JOSEPH JUNIOR SAILING CENTER**

First Aid Kit is located inside the St Joseph Junior Sailing Center  
 AED device is located at the St Joseph Yacht Club next door to the St Joseph Junior Sailing Center

5	<b>Inform and debrief key people:</b> *Injured sailor's coach (if different than coach who responded) *Injured sailor's coach contacts the injured sailor's family *St Joseph Junior Foundation President *St Joseph Junior Foundation Vice President	see list of coaches at Registration table see sailor's registration form at Reg table Chris Marzke 269-208-3635 Gary Sisson 269-470-7579	
6	<b>All involved parties convene to complete an accident report.</b>		

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### EMERGENCY RESPONDERS PICK-UP LOCATIONS

**St Joseph Junior Sailing Center should be the first choice for transferring an injured sailor to shore.** However, the other locations on this list may be used if proximity or circumstances make them a better choice.

	Location	Address	Phone
1	St Joseph Junior Foundation Sailing Center <i>(NOTE: the US Coast Guard Station is located two doors west of the St Joseph Junior Sailing Center)</i>	7 Lighthouse Lane, St Joseph, MI	269-983-5441
2	Inn At Harbor Shores front desk Inn At Harbor Shores marina	800 Whitwam Drive, St Joseph, MI 800 Whitwam Drive, St Joseph, MI	269-927-1111 269-404-7176

