



NOTICE OF RACE

WOMEN'S REGATTA

August 12, 2020

Preamble

We are pleased to announce the 17th annual Nantucket Race Week and the 48th Opera House Cup Regatta, August 8 – 16, 2020. The events are organized in compliance with all the Massachusetts and Town of Nantucket Covid Guidelines including the MA Phase III reopening guidelines as of July 6th, and any subsequent revisions.

There are significant changes in the regatta to comply with the Phase III guidelines to ensure all competitor's safety. We encourage everyone's understanding of the changes and cooperation to make this a safe and fun event. Key requirements for all competitors include:

- All participants must wear face coverings
- Social distancing is required
- We encourage frequent hand washing and/or hand sanitizing
- Massachusetts requires a 14 day quarantine for all visitors to the state, EXCEPT those from New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine.

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

Nantucket Race Week, L.L.C.

Regatta website www.nantucketraceweek.org

HOSTS

The Nantucket Yacht (NYC), Great Harbor Yacht Club (GHYC), Nantucket Community Sailing (NCS) and the Nantucket Race Week Committee (NRW).

Nantucket Race Week merchandise and gear is available for order online at the [NCS Store](#) and can be picked up daily during Nantucket Race Week, or prior by arrangement, at the Nantucket Community Sailing office at 4 Winter Street.



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1. RULES

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the *Rules* as defined by *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix V1 (Alternative Penalties).
- 1.2. The regatta will comply with all regulations of the Massachusetts Reopening Standards for Youth and Adult Amateur Sports at the time of the regatta.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between the *RRS* and the Massachusetts Reopening Standards, the Massachusetts regulations will prevail.
- 1.4. All competitors, skippers and crew, will be required to sign a Waiver prior to the regatta.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. All women are eligible, and shall enter individually. Entries will be accepted until the deadline or until all available boats are fully subscribed, whichever comes first.
- 3.2. Women may enter by completing the entry form online (click on the Sailing tab) and then submitting the entry form, together with the required fee, no later than Sunday, August 9 at 1800.
- 3.3. All Rhodes-19s are eligible.
- 3.4. There will be Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker Divisions with separate starts.
- 3.5. The Organizing Authority, may, at its sole discretion, accept any late entry.
- 3.6. Membership in US Sailing is encouraged

4. FEES

The Entry Fee is \$10. No lunch is provided.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions, including the courses will be available on the regatta website three days prior to the regatta.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. The first warning signal will be at 1230.
- 6.2. The number of races will be in accordance with the MA Phase III guidelines
- 6.3. No warning signal will be made after 1500.

7. VENUE

The available racing areas in Nantucket Harbor will be shown in the sailing instructions.

8. SCORING

- 8.1. Races will be run in accordance with the MA Phase III guidelines.
- 8.2. One completed race constitutes a regatta
- 8.3. A boat's score will be the total of her race scores, with no throw-out.



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9. SAFETY

Pursuant to Massachusetts YOUTH and ADULT AMATEUR SPORTS ACTIVITIES – Phase III, Step 1 rules, all participants must wear a face covering.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

When wearing a PFD is required prior to the warning signal from the race committee signal vessel, the Turns penalties of RRS V1 are replaced by the Scoring Penalty of RRS 44.3

11. PRIZES

11.1. There will be no Awards Ceremony.

11.2. Results will be posted on the [NRW Website](#) following the regatta.

11.3. The top-performing skipper in a one- design fleet during the entire week will also receive a special NRW prize.

11.4. Awards may be picked up at the NCS office at 4 Winter Street at 4PM the day following the regatta

12. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate and valid third party liability insurance.

13. CLEAN REGATTA



Nantucket Race Week is committed to maintaining Nantucket's clean waters and shores, and is certified by Sailors for the Sea as a gold-level Clean Regatta. All NRW participants are encouraged to follow the goals and requirements of the Clean Regattas program.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers, Nantucket Race Week LLC, the Nantucket Yacht Club, Great Harbor Yacht Club, Nantucket Community Sailing, Race Committee, Protest Committee, Technical Committee, volunteers, sponsors, agents, employees, or any other organization or official providing services at the request of any of the foregoing in connection with the events will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury, disease, or illness to any person sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor (owners, skippers, crews, and support persons) agrees to release the race organizers and all persons and groups listed above from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

15.1. [Massachusetts Boating Regulations](#)

15.2. Nantucket Community Sailing

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Website [Nantucket Race Week](#)