



## NOTICE OF RACE

### RADIO CONTROLLED REGATTA

August 16, 2021

#### Preamble

We are pleased to announce the 18<sup>th</sup> annual Nantucket Race Week and the 49<sup>th</sup> Opera House Cup Regatta, August 14 – 22, 2021. The events are organized in compliance with all regulations in force at the time of the regatta.

#### **ORGANIZING AUTHORITY**

Nantucket Race Week, L.L.C.

Regatta website [www.nantucketraceweek.org](http://www.nantucketraceweek.org)

#### **HOSTS**

The Nantucket Yacht Club (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 customization and 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 in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* Appendix E - Radio Sailing Racing Rules as changed by the NANTUCKET DF95 FLEET RACING RULES (7-11-20) shown in Addendum A.
- 1.2. The regatta will comply with all governmental regulations regarding sailing at the time of the regatta.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between the *RRS* and the governmental regulations, the governmental regulations will prevail.
- 1.4. All competitors, skippers and crew, will be required to sign a Waiver prior to the regatta.

**2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Notice Board three days prior to the regatta.

**3. COMMUNICATIONS**

- 3.1. The official notice board is online at [www.nantucketraceweek.org](http://www.nantucketraceweek.org)
- 3.2. Communications will be verbal at the Starting/Finishing line.

**4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1. Entry to the regatta is open to the DF 95- and one-meter radio-controlled classes.
- 4.2. Participants may enter by completing the registration form online (click on Sailing tab) and completing the entry form and the waiver, together with the required fee, by no later than **Saturday, August 14, 2021**.

**5. FEES**

The entry fee is \$20.

**6. ADVERTISING**

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

**7. SCHEDULE**

- 7.1. The number of races will be in accordance with the governmental regulations in force at the time of the regatta.
- 7.2. There will check-in at 1500 at the Nantucket Land Bank Easy Street Park.
- 7.3. There will be a Competitors Meeting at 1530.
- 7.4. The first warning signal will be 1630.
- 7.5. Multiple races are planned. There will be no warning after 1800.
- 7.6. Social events will be in accordance with all governmental regulations at the time of the regatta.

**8. VENUE**

The racing areas is shown in Addendum B.

**9. COURSES**

The courses are shown in Addendum C.

**10. SCORING**

- 10.1. Races will be run in accordance with the governmental regulations in force at the time of the regatta.
- 10.2. One completed race constitutes a regatta.



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10.3. When five or more races are completed, one worst score will be excluded, as permitted in *RRS 90.3(b)*, from that boat's series score.

11. **PRIZES**

11.1. Award ceremonies will be held in accordance with governmental guidelines.

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. If there is no Awards ceremony, awards may be picked up at the NCS office at 4 Winter Street at 4 PM the day following the regatta.

12. **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 Regatta Program.

13. **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 L.L.C., 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.

14. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Nantucket Community Sailing

508-228-6600

Website [Nantucket Race Week](#)



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## ADDENDUM A

### NANTUCKET DF95 FLEET RACING RULES

This **unofficial** summary and modification of the *Racing Rules of Sailing (2021-2024)* addresses the realities of RC racing on Nantucket at this time. The primary goal is to have FUN and for all sailors to subscribe to the RRS fundamental principle of sportsmanship by self-policing, doing their turns, unprompted by other competitors, announcing why they are doing turns...while being tolerant of others doing their best to comply and not using the word "Protest!" while racing.

**SPORTSMANSHIP AND THE RULES is changed to:** Competitors in the sport of sailing are governed by a body of *rules* that they are expected to follow and enforce. A fundamental principle of sportsmanship is that when competitors break a *rule* they will promptly take a penalty, which may be to retire.

**Rule 10 ON OPPOSITE TACKS** a *port-tack* boat shall *keep clear* of a *starboard-tack* boat.

**Rule 11 ON SAME TACK, OVERLAPPED** a *windward* boat shall *keep clear* of a *leeward* boat.

**Rule 12 ON SAME TACK, NOT OVERLAPPED** a boat *clear astern* shall *keep clear* of a boat *clear ahead*.

**Rule 13 WHILE TACKING is changed to:** After a boat passes head to wind, she shall *keep clear* of other boats until she is on a close-hauled course.

**Rule 14 AVOIDING CONTACT is changed to:** A boat shall avoid serious contact with another boat if reasonably possible. Minor side to side, or bow to stern, hull or rigging contact, not changing the relative position of boats in a race, is permitted.

**Rule 15 ACQUIRING RIGHT OF WAY** When a boat acquires right of way, she shall initially give the other boat *room to keep clear*, unless she acquires right of way because of the other boat's actions.

**Rule 16 CHANGING COURSE** When a right-of-way boat changes course, she shall give the other boat *room to keep clear*.

**Rule 17 ON THE SAME TACK; PROPER COURSE** If a boat *clear astern* becomes *overlapped* within two of her hull lengths to *leeward* of a boat on the same *tack*, she shall not sail above her *proper course* while they remain on the same *tack* and *overlapped* within that distance,

**Rule 18 MARK ROOM** When boats are *overlapped* the outside boat shall give the inside boat *mark-room*. If a boat is *clear ahead* when she reaches the *zone [4-boat lengths (Appendix E1.1)]*, the boat *clear astern* at that moment shall thereafter give her *mark-room*. If there is reasonable doubt that a boat obtained or broke an *overlap* in time, it shall be presumed that she did not. When an inside *overlapped* right-of-way boat must gybe at a *mark* to sail her *proper course*, until she gybes, she shall sail no farther from the *mark* than needed to sail that course.

**20.1 ROOM AT AN OBSTRUCTION, 20.1 Hailing** is changed to: A boat may hail for *room* to tack or gybe and avoid a boat on the same *tack*, if she is approaching an *obstruction* and will soon need to make a substantial course change to avoid it safely.

**31 TOUCHING A MARK is changed to:** A boat may touch a mark other than a starting mark while starting or a finishing mark while finishing.

**44 & E4.3 PENALTIES are changed to:** After getting well clear of other boats and prior to the next mark, a boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule(s) of Part 2 in an incident while *racing*. However, if the



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boat gained a significant advantage by her breach despite taking a penalty, her penalty shall be an additional One-Turn Penalty. If the boat caused another boat to become *disabled* and retire, her penalty shall be to retire.

**61 PROTEST REQUIREMENT is changed to:** The word, "Protest" shall not be used during a race. A boat involved in, or seeing, an incident during a race, may, in the spirit of teaching, ask the other party after the race whether they are aware that a Rule may have been broken.

**E.2.1 HAILING REQUIREMENTS** The individual digits of a boat's sail number shall be hailed; e.g. "one-five" for "15".

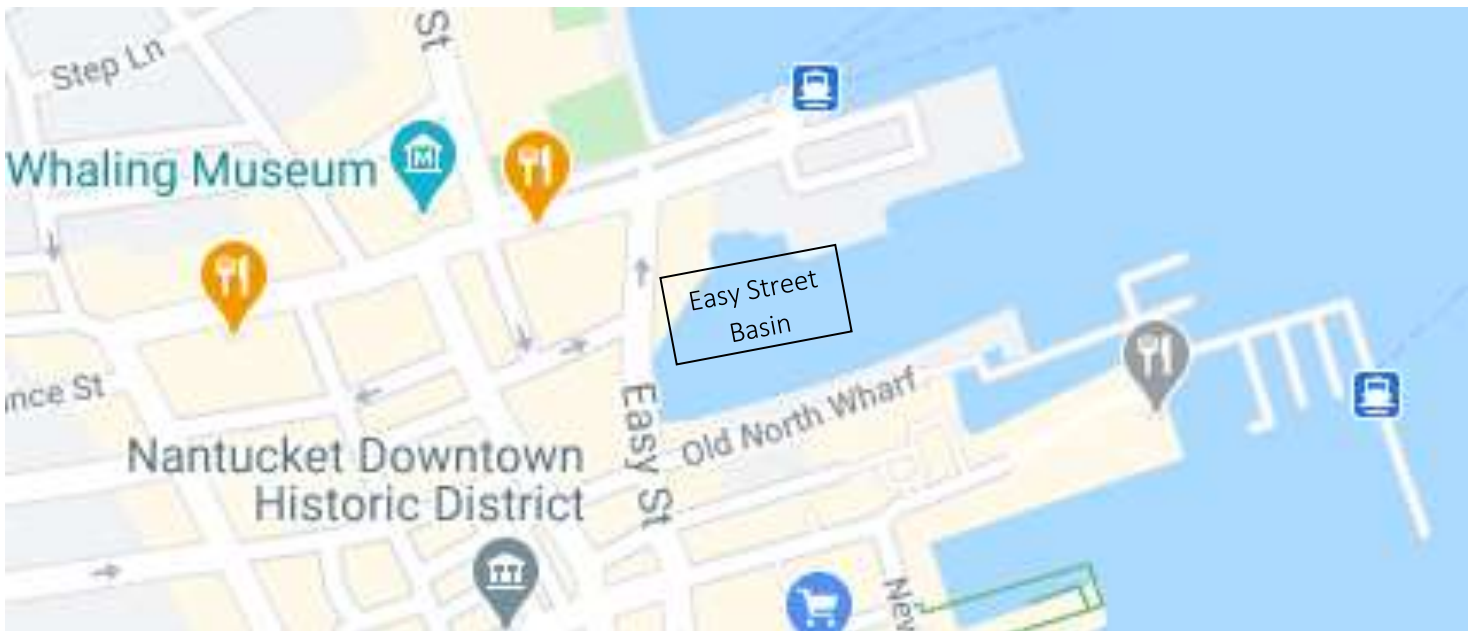


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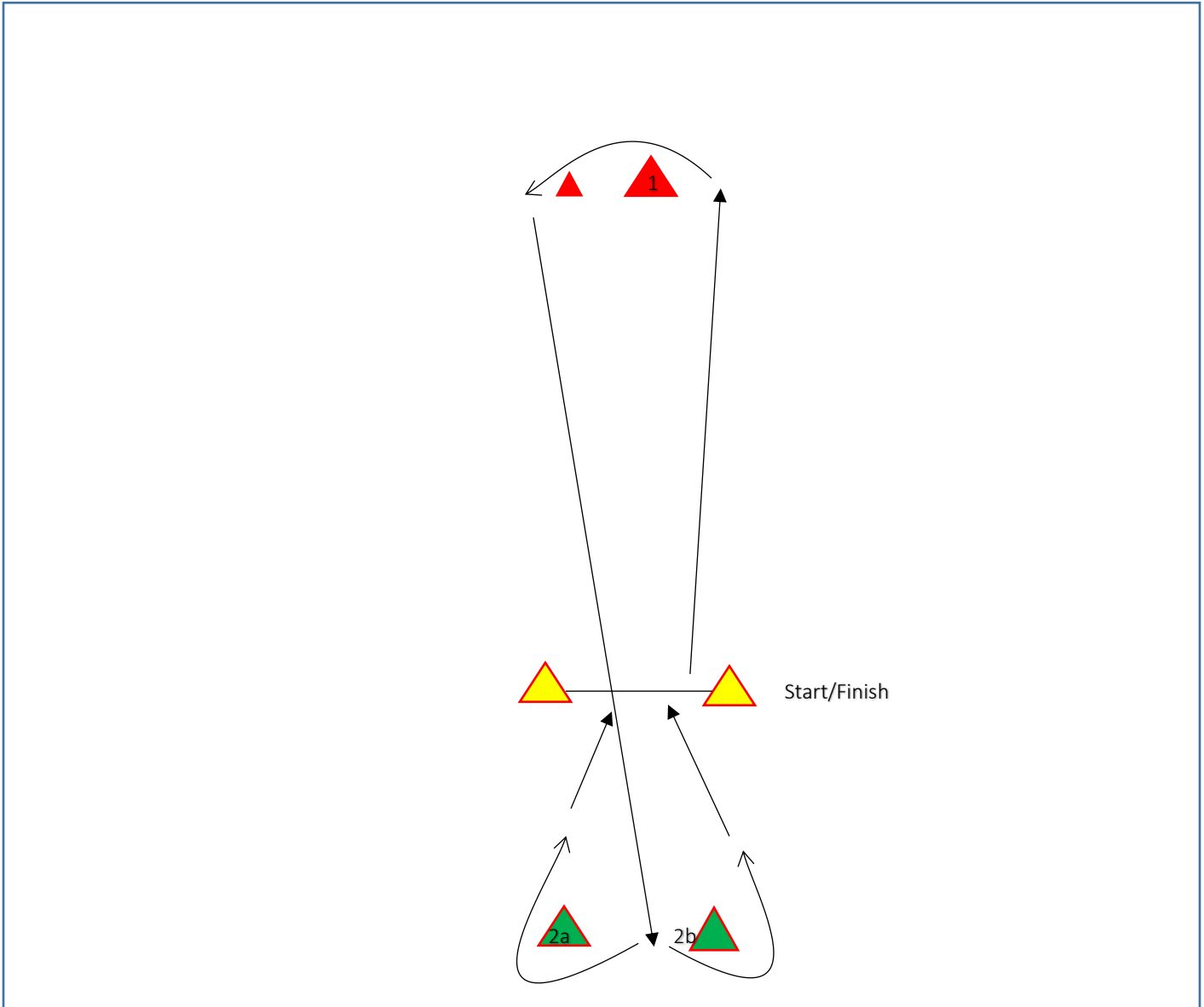
### Racing Area

**Nantucket Land Bank Easy Street Park**





## ADDENDUM C



### Course Diagram

Course - Start, Mark 1 (Port), Mark 2a (Starboard) or Mark 2b (Port), Finish.

Course "O" once around; Course "T" twice around

Start/Finish line is "Open"