



NOTICE OF RACE

WOMEN'S REGATTA

August 18, 2021

Preamble

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

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

Nantucket Race Week, L.L.C.

Regatta website 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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The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

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 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.
- 1.5. Racing Rules will be changed as follows:
 - 1.5.1. *RRS* 33 is changed to: Marks may be adjusted without signaling at the previous mark.
 - 1.5.2. *RRS* 35, A4 and A5 are changed to: Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing.

2. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Sailing Instructions, including the courses will be available on the Notice Board at www.nantucketraceweek.org three days prior to the regatta

3. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- 3.1. The official notice board is online at www.nantucketraceweek.org.
- 3.2. [DP] All boats will carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 71-74.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4. [DP] Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1. 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.
- 4.2. 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 Monday, August 16, 2021 at 1800
- 4.3. All center board Rhodes-19s are eligible.
- 4.4. There will be Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker Divisions with separate starts.
- 4.5. The Organizing Authority, may, at its sole discretion, accept any late entry.
- 4.6. Membership in US Sailing is encouraged.

5. **FEES**

The entry fee is \$20 per person. Each person must register separately. No lunch is provided.

6. **ADVERTISING**

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



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7. **SCHEDULE**

- 7.1. The number of races will be in accordance with all the governmental regulations in force at the time of the regatta.
- 7.2. The time of the Competitors Meeting will be in the Sailing Instructions.
- 7.3. Competitors are reminded that the launch capacity in Nantucket Harbor may be limited and transport from shore to moorings may be significantly prolonged.
- 7.4. The first warning signal will be 1230.
- 7.5. Multiple races are planned.
- 7.6. Social events will be in accordance with governmental regulations at the time of the regatta.

8. **VENUE**

The available racing areas and fixed marks in Nantucket Harbor are shown in Addendum A.

9. **COURSES**

The courses to be sailed are shown in Appendix B.

10. **PENALTY SYSTEM**

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

11. **SCORING**

- 11.1. Races will be run in accordance with the governmental regulations in force at the time of the regatta.
- 11.2. One completed race constitutes a regatta.
- 11.3. 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.

12. **SAFETY**

Special safety measures may be required by the MA Standards in force at the time of the regatta, such as facial masks and distancing.

13. **PRIZES**

- 13.1. Award ceremonies will be held in accordance with governmental guidelines.
- 13.2. Results will be posted on the NRW Website following the regatta
- 13.3. The top-performing skipper in a one-design fleet during the entire week will also receive a special NRW prize.
- 13.4. The *Diana Brown Trophy* will be awarded.
- 13.5. 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.

14. **INSURANCE**

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



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15. **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.

16. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

16.1. 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.

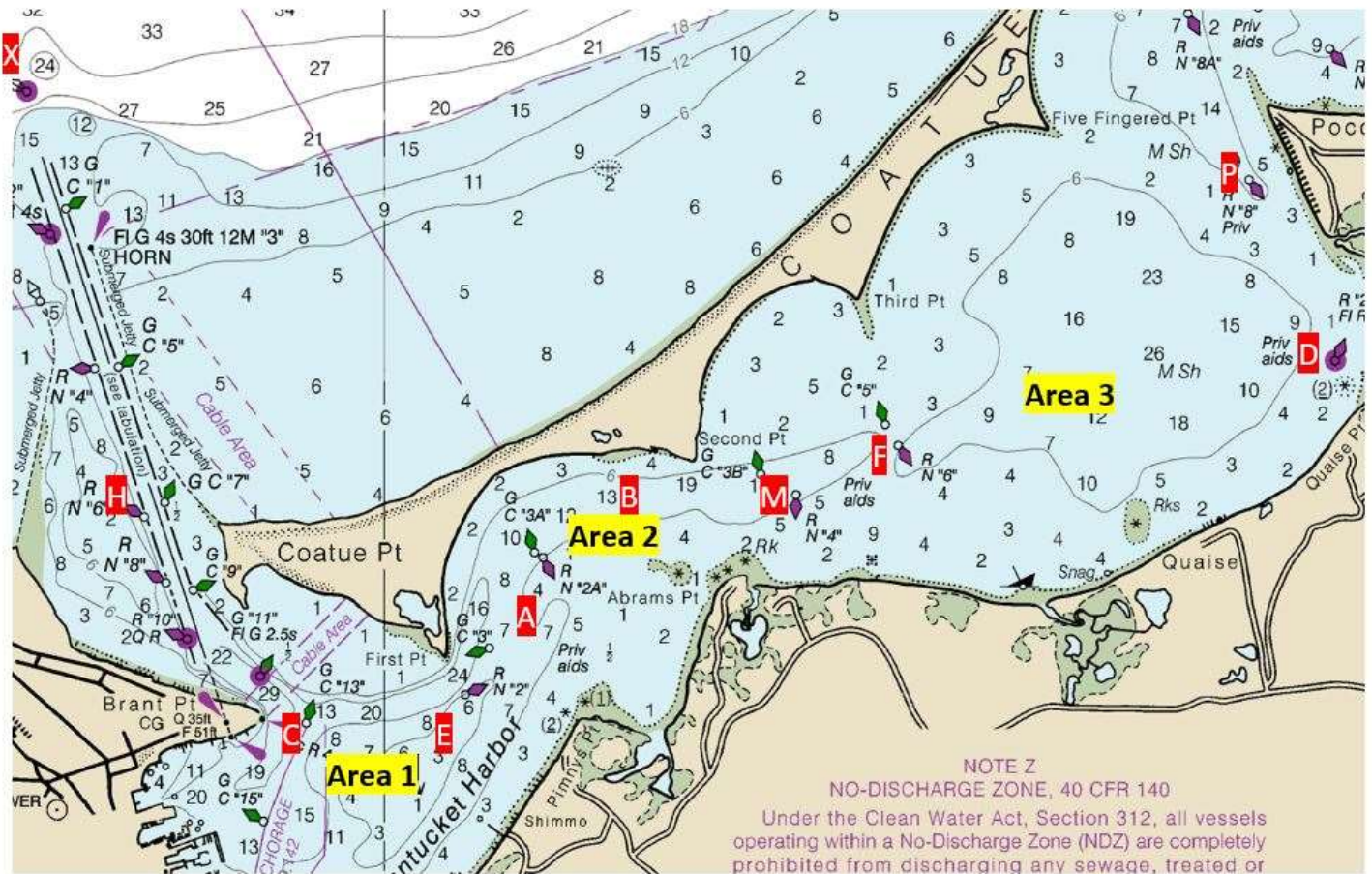
16.2. *RRS 3* states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

17. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

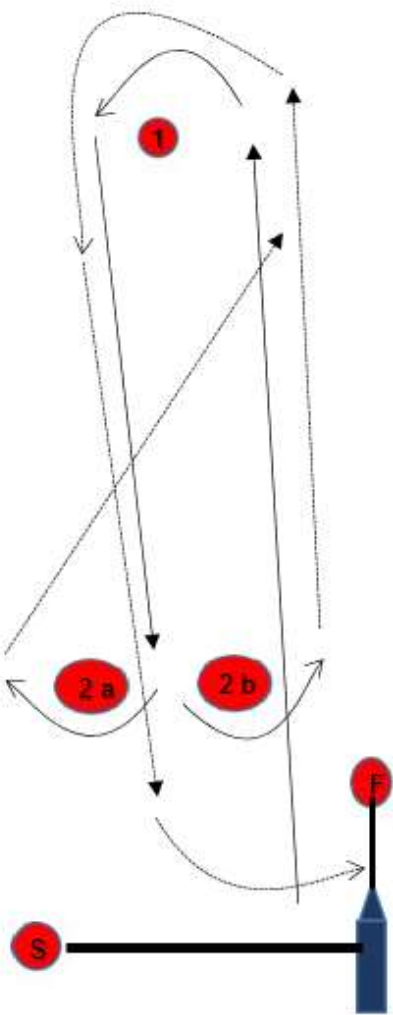
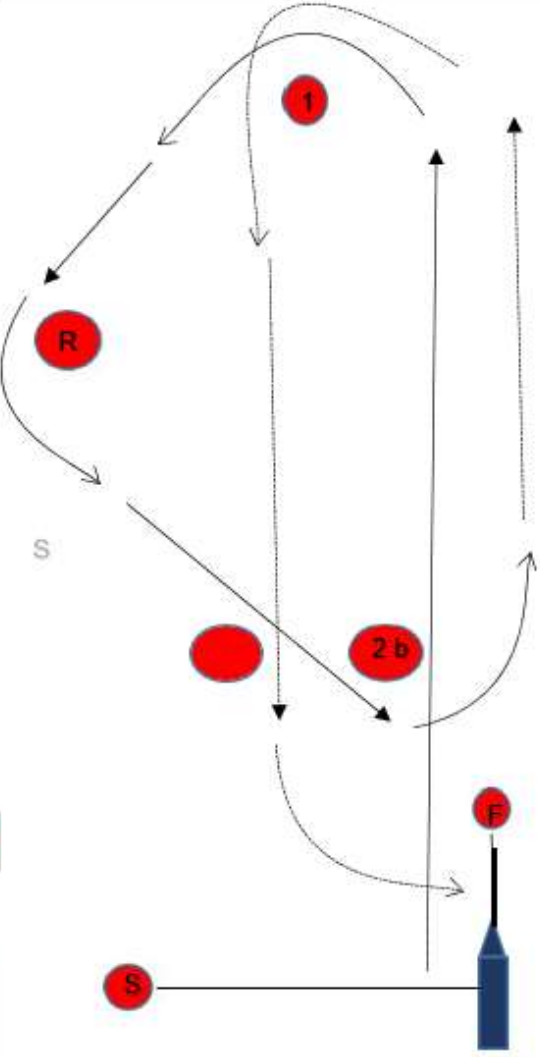
Nantucket Community Sailing
508-228-6600
Website Nantucket Race Week

Addendum A

Racing Areas and Permanent Marks



Addendum B – Courses

Course "W"	Course "T"
	
<p>Start, 1 (port), between 2a (starboard) and 2b (port), 1 (port), finish</p>	<p>Start, 1 (port), R (port), 2b (port), 1 (port), finish</p>