



NOTICE OF RACE

YOUTH OPTI REGATTA

August 16, 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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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 in force at the time of the regatta.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between the RRS and 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. Rules will be changed as follows:
 - 1.5.1. Marks may be adjusted without signaling at the previous mark. This changes RRS 33
 - 1.5.2. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
 - 1.5.3. Protests need not be written. This changes RRS 61.2.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the regatta website, [Nantucket Race Week](#), three days prior to the regatta.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. The official notice board is online at www.nantucketraceweek.org.
- 3.2. On the water communications will be verbal from the Race Committee.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. Entry is limited to the Optimist Class.
- 4.2. Prior to entering, local sailors from NCS, NYC, or GHYC should have approval from their Program Director to participate in the Opti NRW Regatta and to reserve a program boat for this event. Entrants who have not received this approval (it can be verbal) may not be eligible for participation and any fees will be refunded in full.
- 4.3. Opti sailors shall be juniors who have not reached their 16th birthday in 2021.
- 4.4. Nantucket applicants must be approved by their program head:
 - 4.4.1. Nantucket Yacht Club Justin@nantucketyachtclub.org
 - 4.4.2. Great Harbor Yacht Club ehermanek@ghyc.com
 - 4.4.3. Nantucket Community sailing: Emily@nantucketsailing.org
- 4.5. Applicants must complete the entry form, including the waiver and medical, online (click on the Sailing tab) by Saturday August 14, 2021 at 1800.

5. FEES

The entry fee is \$20. No lunch is provided.

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. The time of the Competitors Meeting will be in the Sailing Instructions.



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- 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 1300.
- 7.5. Multiple races are planned.
- 7.6. Social events will be in accordance with all governmental regulations at the time of the regatta.

8. **VENUE**

The available racing areas in Nantucket Harbor will be shown in Addendum A.

9. **COURSES**

Courses are shown in Addendum B.

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.
- 10.3. Boats will be scored in two fleets: Green and Championship
- 10.4. 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. **SAFETY**

- 11.1. Safety measures may be required by the MA Standards in force at the time of the regatta, such as facial masks and distancing.
- 11.2. All competitors shall wear, while on the water, US Coast Guard approved PFD, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. The changes *RRS 40*. The penalty for breach of this rule is *DSQ*, without a hearing. This changes *RRS 63.1*.

12. **PRIZES**

- 12.1. Award ceremonies will be held in accordance with governmental guidelines.
- 12.2. Results will be posted on the NRW Website following the regatta.
- 12.3. The top-performing skipper in a one-design fleet during the entire week will also receive a special NRW prize.
- 12.4. 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.

13. **INSURANCE**

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

14. **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.

15. **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,



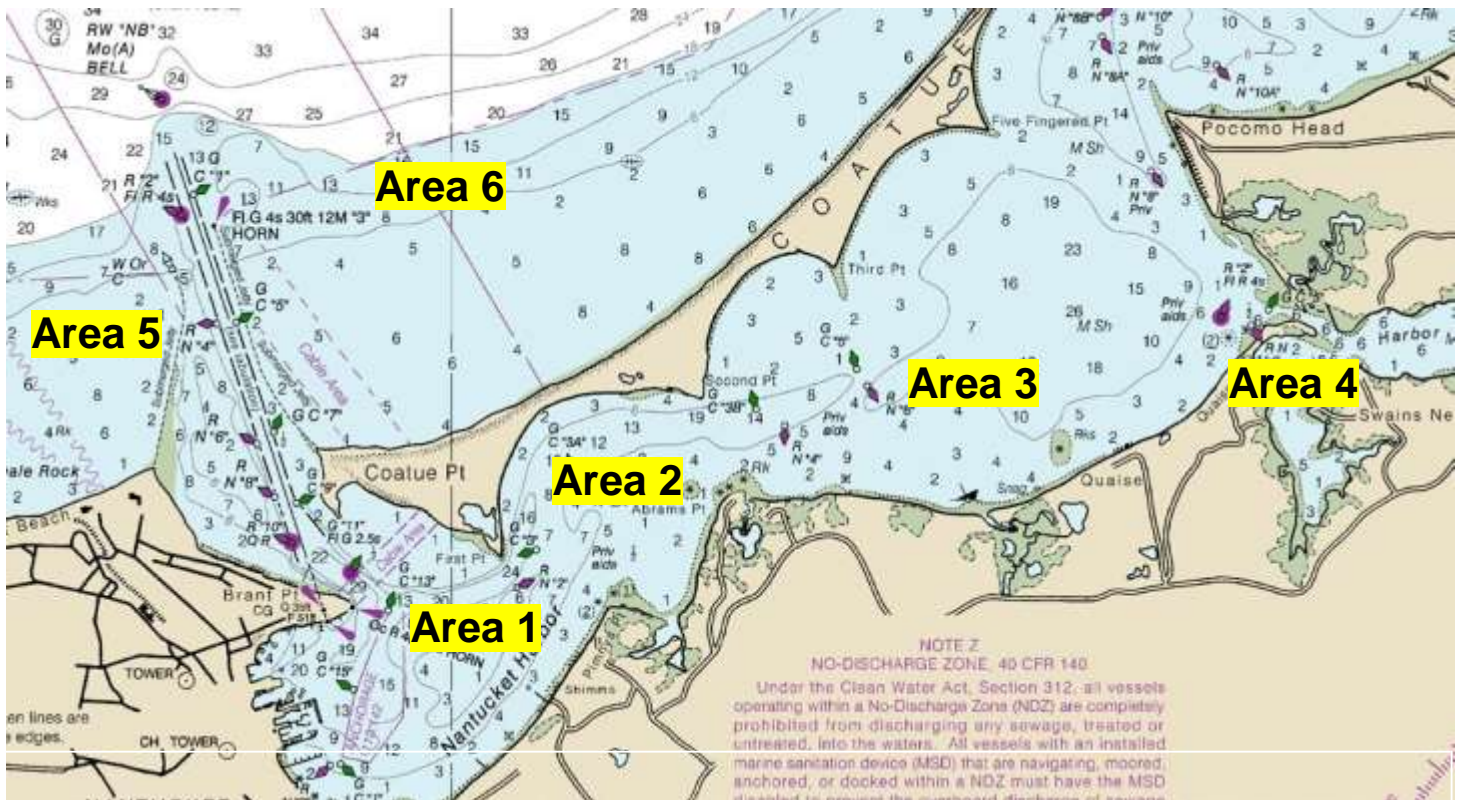
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Technical Committee, volunteers, sponsors, agents, employees, or any other organization or official providing services at the request of any of the foregoing in connection with the events will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property, 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. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Nantucket Community Sailing
508-228-6600
Website [Nantucket Race Week](#)

Addendum A – Racing Areas



Addendum B - Courses

