



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS KITEBOARD REGATTA August 15, 2021

Preamble

We are pleased to announce the 18th annual Nantucket Race Week and the 49th Opera House Cup Regatta, August 14–22, 2021. Proof of Covid vaccination will be required for social events and masks will be required for indoor events.

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

Nantucket Race Week, L.L.C.

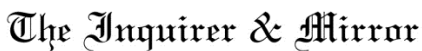
Regatta website www.nantucketraceweek.org

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 daily at Race Week Headquarters, 33 Main Street or online at the www.nantucketcommunitysailing.org/page/store.

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The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI 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 F and Appendix V2 (Penalties Taken After a Race).
- 1.2. All competitors, skippers and crew, will be required to sign a Waiver prior to the regatta.

2. **CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1. Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0800 of the day it will take effect and announced at the competitors meeting.
- 2.2. The Race Committee may make changes to the Sailing Instructions on the water by hail to each boat before the Warning Signal.

3. **COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS**

- 3.1. The official notice board is online at www.nantucketraceweek.org
- 3.2. The race office is located at NCS, 4 Winter Street.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee will communicate with competitors by hail from the signal vessel.
- 3.4. The following communications may be made by the race committee. These include courses, course changes, shortening, postponement, abandonment, and recalls.

4. **CODE OF CONDUCT**

[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

There will be no signals ashore.

6. **SCHEDULE**

- 6.1. All competitors who have not previously raced in this event or have limited racing experience should attend the optional racing safety/strategy clinic at 1300 on Sunday, August 15 at Bass Point to understand the course and talk through how racing works.
- 6.2. The Competitors Meeting will start at 1315.
- 6.3. The first warning signal will be at 1400.
- 6.4. Multiple races are planned. No warning signal will be made after 1700.

7. **CLASS FLAGS**

There are no class flags. Hydrofoils will be the first fleet to start and Twin Tips will be the second fleet to start. **Competitors are asked to stay in the vicinity of the Race Committee Boat for audible instructions.**

8. **RACING AREAS**

All races will be sailed in Area 2 or Area 3 as in Addendum A and will be announced at the competitors meeting.

9. **COURSES**

- 9.1. The courses to be sailed are shown in Addendum B, including the approximate angles between legs and the order in which marks are to be passed.
- 9.2. WINDWARD COURSES



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- 9.2.1. The Windward/Leeward courses are described in Addendum B will be discussed and displayed on a whiteboard during the Competitors Meeting as well as by whiteboard on the committee boat.
- 9.2.2. The course will be either once [W] or twice around [W2].
- 9.2.3. The Starting Line will be between and orange flag on port side of the signal vessel and the course side of a nearby mark.
- 9.2.4. The Starting and Finishing lines will be OPEN for competitors to cross during racing

9.3. REACH COURSES

- 9.3.1. The courses are described in Addendum B and will be discussed and displayed on a whiteboard during the Skippers Meeting.
- 9.3.2. The course will either once [R] or twice around [R2].
- 9.3.3. The starting/finishing line will run directly to downwind from an orange flag on the committee boat to a nearby mark.
- 9.3.4. Competitors shall start on starboard tack.
- 9.3.5. The Starting/Finishing line will be OPEN for competitors to cross during racing

10. **MARKS**

10.1. WINDWARD/LEEWARD COURSES

- 10.1.1. The starting and finishing marks will be red "hippety hop" balls.
- 10.1.2. The windward and leeward marks will be colored inflatable triangle marks

10.2. REACH COURSES

- 10.2.1. The starting and finishing mark will be red "hippety hop" balls.
- 10.2.2. The gybe mark will be a green tetrahedron mark.

10.3. Marks may be adjusted without signaling at the previous mark.

11. **THE START**

- 11.1. Repeated short sound signals will be made ten seconds before the warning signal.
- 11.2. Races will use the Audible-Signal Racing System of Appendix U (3-minute dinghy starts).
- 11.3. The Starting Line will be between and orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark
- 11.4. Boats may not start more than 3 minutes after their starting signal.
- 11.5. If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line the race committee will attempt to hail, over VHF and/or by voice, the sail numbers of those boats after the starting signal. The failure to hail her number, failure to hear such a hail, and the order and timing of such hails, will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12. **CHANGE IN THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

Marks will not be changed during a race.

13. **THE FINISH**

- 13.1. The WINDWARD/LEEWARD courses finishing line will be between a blue flag on the starboard side of the signal vessel and the course side of a nearby mark.
- 13.2. REACH course starting/finishing line will run directly to downwind from an orange flag on the committee boat to a nearby mark.
- 13.3. REACH courses finish on port tack.
- 13.4. The finishing line will be between a blue flag on a race committee vessel and the course side of a nearby mark.



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14. **PENALTY SYSTEM**

14.1. When PFDs are required the Turns penalties of RRS V1 are replaced by the Scoring Penalty of RRS 44.3.

15. **TIME LIMIT**

15.1. The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 45 minutes.

15.2. 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. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

16. **PROTESTS AND REDRESS**

16.1. Competitors are expected to sail by the rules and exonerate themselves when they have broken a rule

16.2. No red flag is necessary. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

16.3. The protesting boat shall notify the other boat at the first reasonable opportunity. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

16.4. No written form is required. This changes RRS 61.2.

16.5. Three-Minute Justice Applies

16.5.1. The protests will be held on the water with the race committee as soon as possible following the race in which the foul occurred.

16.5.2. The race PRO will be the judge for the protest hearing

16.5.3. The Protestor has one minute to present the case. The Protestee has one minute to present

16.5.4. The PRO has one minute to decide the case and present the findings and deliver justice.

16.6. Protest Time Limit

The protesting boat shall notify the race committee prior to leaving the race area. The changes RRS 61.3

16.7. The Race Committee may convene a formal hearing in the case of serious injury or damage to equipment.

17. **SCORING**

One completed race constitutes a regatta.

18. **SAFETY**

18.1. All competitors should wear normal kiting gear and take normal precautions as if you were sailing on your own. Competitors shall wear a functioning detachable kite leash. There will be skiffs for assistance.

18.2. All boats are requested to check-in verbally with the race committee before the start of the first race.

18.3. A boat that retires from the racing area shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19. **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.

20. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

20.1. 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



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any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

20.2.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

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

21.1. Massachusetts Boating Regulations

21.2. Nantucket Community Sailing

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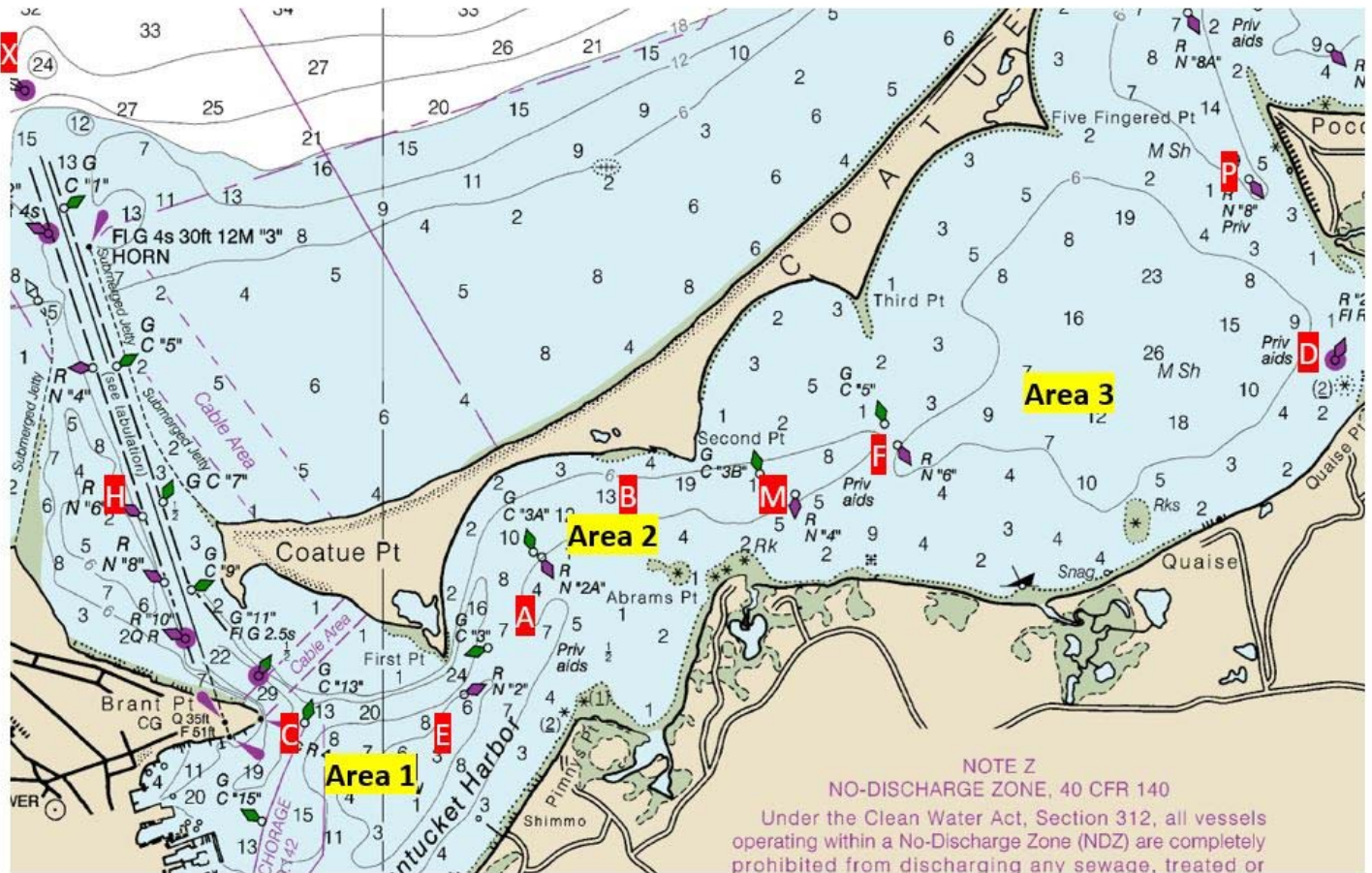
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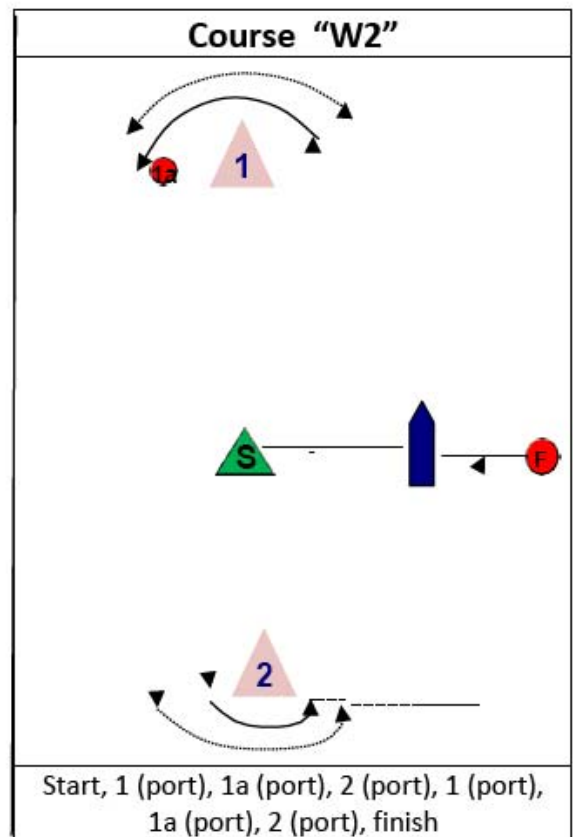
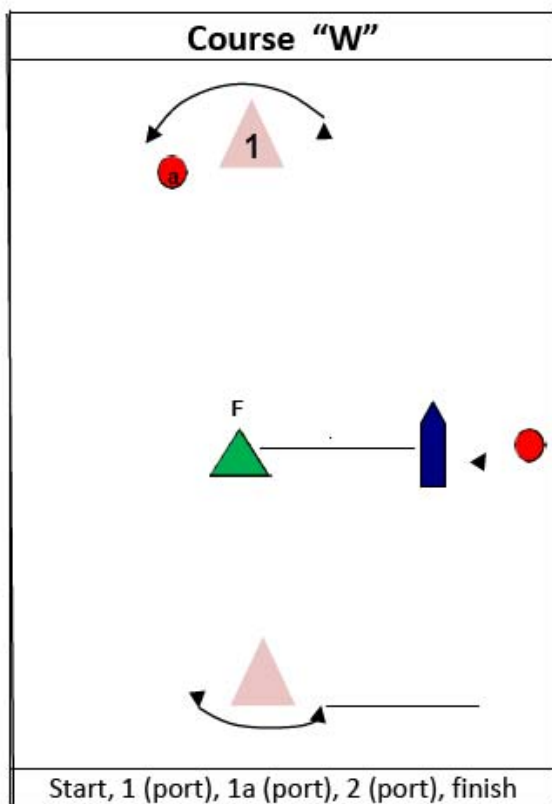
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Addendum A

Racing Areas and Permanent Marks



Addendum B – Windward/Leeward Courses



The starting and finishing lines are not restricted while sailing the course.

Addendum B – Reach Courses

