



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS RADIO CONTROLLED 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. 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.

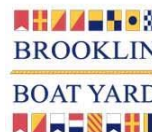
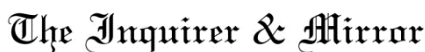
Regatta website www.nantucketraceweek.org

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 at Race Week Headquarters, 33 Main Street daily 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 in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* Appendix E - Radio Sailing Racing Rules as changed by the RC POND RACING RULES (7-6-20) shown in Addendum A.

1.1. All competitors, skippers and crew, will be required to sign a Waiver prior to the regatta.

2. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The race committee may make verbal changes to the sailing instructions prior to 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. Communications will be verbal adjacent to the Starting/Finishing Line.

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

Signals made ashore will be verbal adjacent to the Starting/Finishing Line.

6. SCHEDULE

1.2 The Check-in 1500 at the Easy Street Basin Park.

1.3 Competitors meeting @1530 at the Easy Street Basin Park.

1.4 There will be a practice race at 1530.

1.5 The first warning signal will be at 1600.

1.6 Multiple races are scheduled.

1.7 No warning signal will be made after 1800.

7. CLASS FLAGS

There are no class flags.

8. RACING AREAS

1.8 The Racing Area will be the Easy Street Basin.

1.9 The sailing area will be approximately 200 x 140 FT

9. COURSES

1.10 The course to be sailed are shown in Addendum C.

1.11 The Starting/Finishing Line will be OPEN during a race.

10. MARKS

10.1. The Starting/Finishing line marks will be yellow.

10.2. Marks 1 and 2 will be red.

10.3. Marks 3 and 4 will be green.



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11. **THE START**

1.12 There will be a hail, "Ready to Start?" approximately 2 minutes before the starting signal.

1.13 Starting one (1) minute before the Starting Signal a recorded message will play:

- 1 minute till mark
- 50 seconds
- 40 seconds
- 30 seconds
- 20 seconds
- 15
- 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1

followed by the starting signal. Individual Recalls will be signaled according to RRS E3.5.

11.1. Boats may not start more than 3 minutes after their starting signal.

12. **HOLDS**

1.14 Holds may be announced periodically by the Race Director.

1.15 Prior to the Warning Signal, a skipper may request that the Race Director delay the starting sequence for five minutes for the repair of a technical problem or breakdown

1.16 When such a delay is granted, it will be announced and the Warning Signal will not be sounded until the expiration of five minutes from the commencement of the delay

13. **THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between two yellow marks.

14. **TIME LIMIT**

14.1. The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 20 minutes.

14.2. Boats failing to finish within 5 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.

15. **PROTESTS AND REDRESS**

The word, "Protest" shall not be used during racing. 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.

16. **SCORING**

1.17 One completed race constitutes a regatta

1.18 Finishes may be recorded to facilitate scoring.

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

17. **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



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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.

18. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Nantucket Community Sailing

508-228-6600

Website www.nantucketraceweek.org/page/nrw



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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 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.



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

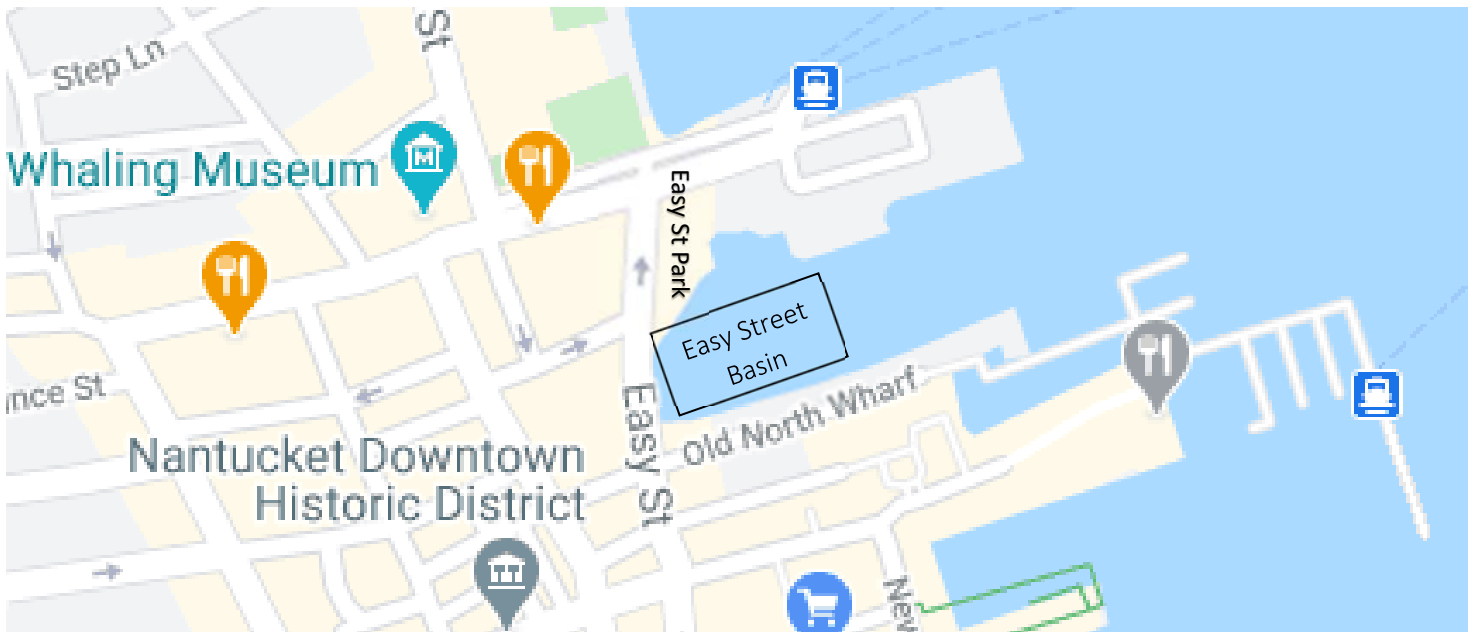


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ADDENDUM B

Racing Area

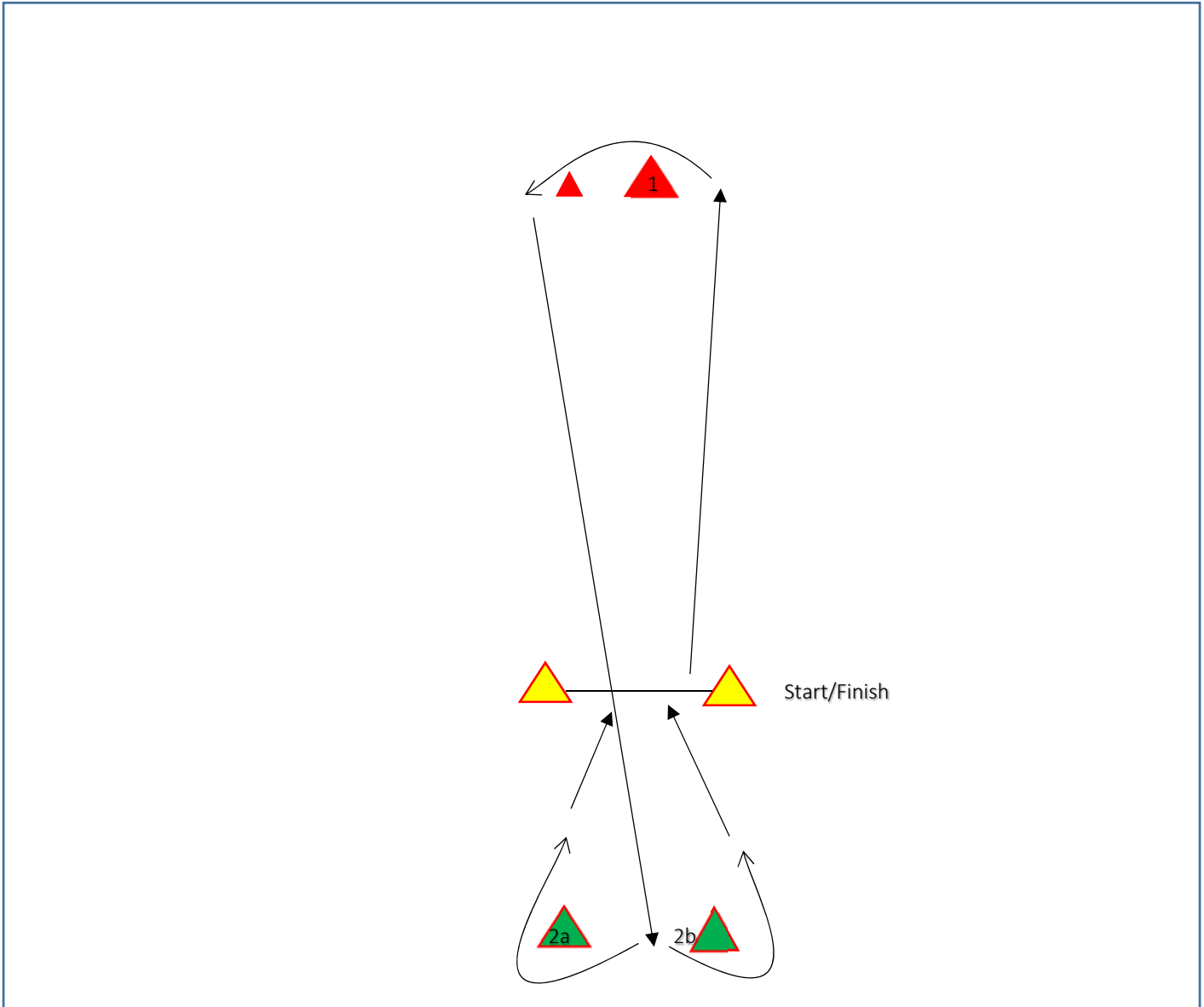
Easy Street Basin





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"