



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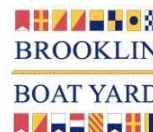
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The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the *Rules* as defined by *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix V1 (Alternative Penalties).
- 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 1000 the day of the event. or verbally by the signal vessel prior to the Warning Signal.
- 2.2. The Race Committee may make changes to the Sailing Instructions on the water by hail to each boat 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. The race committee will use VHF 67 to communicate with coaches.
- 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. There will be a Competitors Meeting at 1130 at Polpis Harbor.
- 6.2. The first warning signal will be 1300.
- 6.3. Multiple races are planned.

7. CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1. The class flag for the Championship Fleet will be a white flag with the Optimist logo.
- 7.2. The class flag for the Green Fleet will be a green flag with the Optimist logo.

8. RACING AREAS

All races will be sailed in Area 3 or Area 4 as in Addendum A and will be announced at the competitor's meeting.

9. COURSES

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. The courses will hailed verbally from the committee vessel.

10. MARKS

All marks will be red balls.



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11. **THE START**

- 11.1. The Starting Line will be between an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- 11.2. Repeated short sound signals will be made ten seconds before the warning signal.
- 11.3. Races will use the Audible-Signal Racing System of Appendix U (3-minute dinghy starts).
- 11.4. The Starting Line will be between an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark
- 11.5. The two classes may be started separately or together.
- 11.6. Boats may not start more than 3 minutes after their starting signal.
- 11.7. 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).
- 11.8. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area. [DP]

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

Courses will not be changed during races, although minor adjustments may be made to mark positions.

13. **THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a blue flag on a race committee vessel and the course side of a nearby mark.

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.
- 14.2. After *starting* and before *finishing*, the starting and finishing lines are *obstructions*, and boats are prohibited from sailing through them. Boats may not correct this error and will be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 28 and A5.

15. **TIME LIMIT**

- 15.1. The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 60 minutes.
- 15.2. 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.

16. **PROTESTS AND REDRESS**

- 16.1. Boats shall immediately inform the boat they are protesting.
- 16.2. A boat intending to protest shall inform the race committee upon finishing.
- 16.3. Protests will be heard either immediately after each race or at the completion of racing that day.
- 16.4. Protests need not be written. This changes RRS 61.2.

17. **SCORING**

- 17.1. One completed race constitutes a regatta.
- 17.2. Boats will be scored in two Divisions: Green and Championship.
- 17.3. When five or more races are completed, one worst score will be excluded, as permitted in RRS 90.3(b), from a boat's series score.



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18. **SAFETY**

- 18.1. All boats shall check-in with the race committee before the start of the first race by sailing past the signal vessel on starboard tack and hailing their sail number and receiving confirmation from the race committee.
- 18.2. 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**

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.

21. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Nantucket Community Sailing

508-228-6600

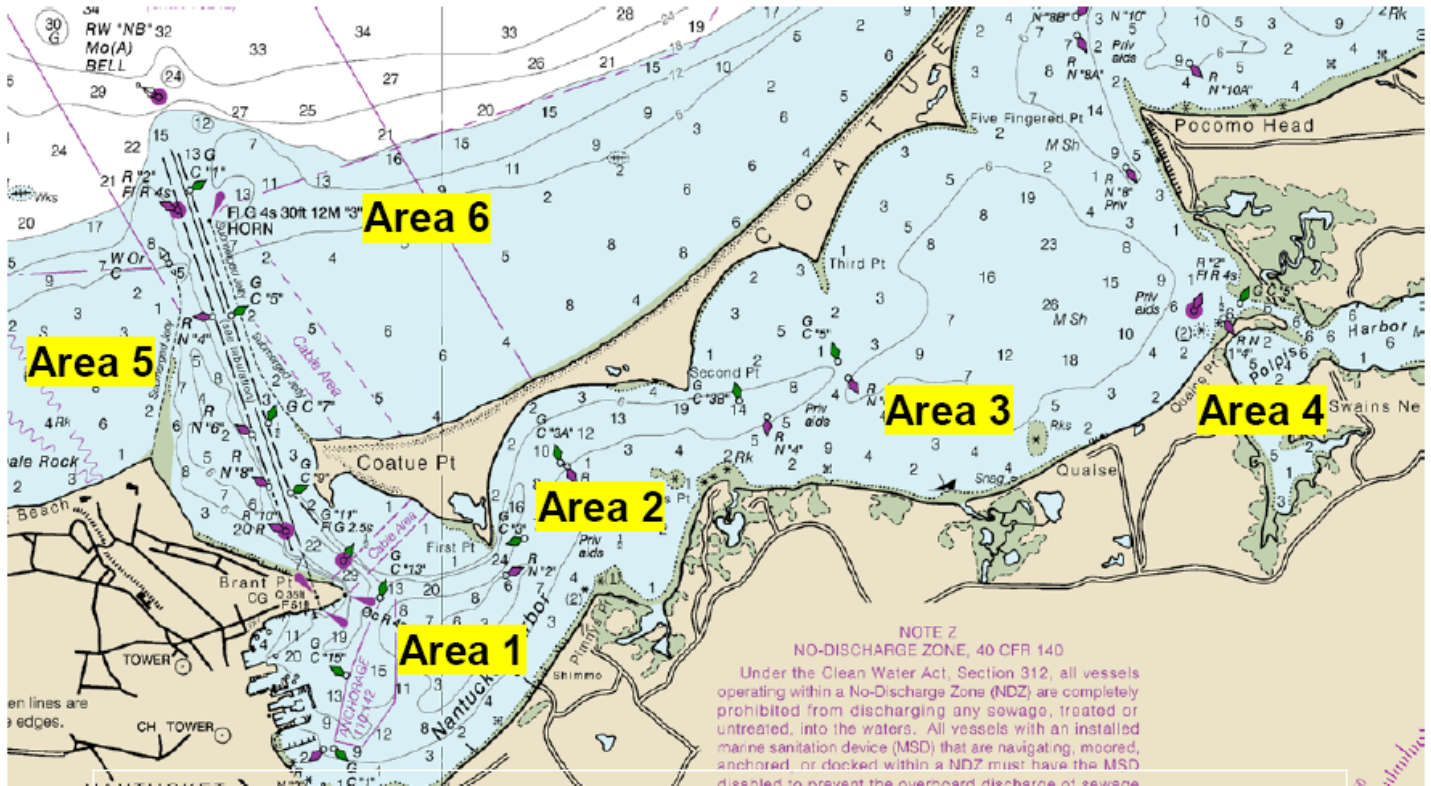
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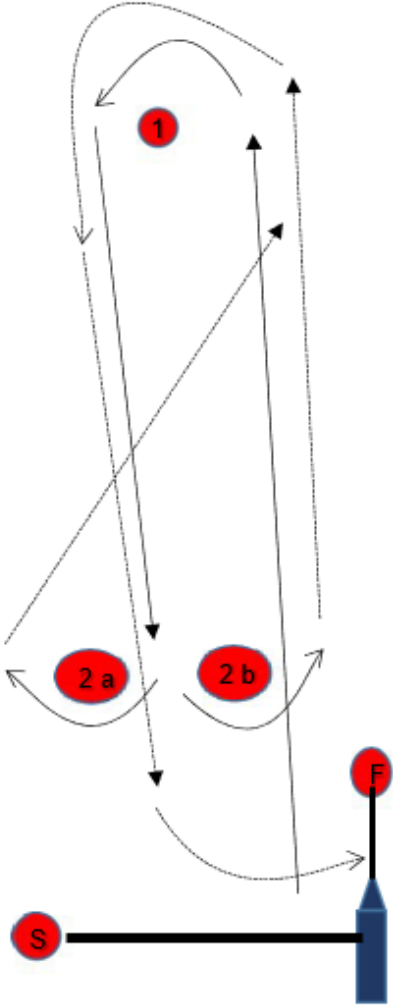
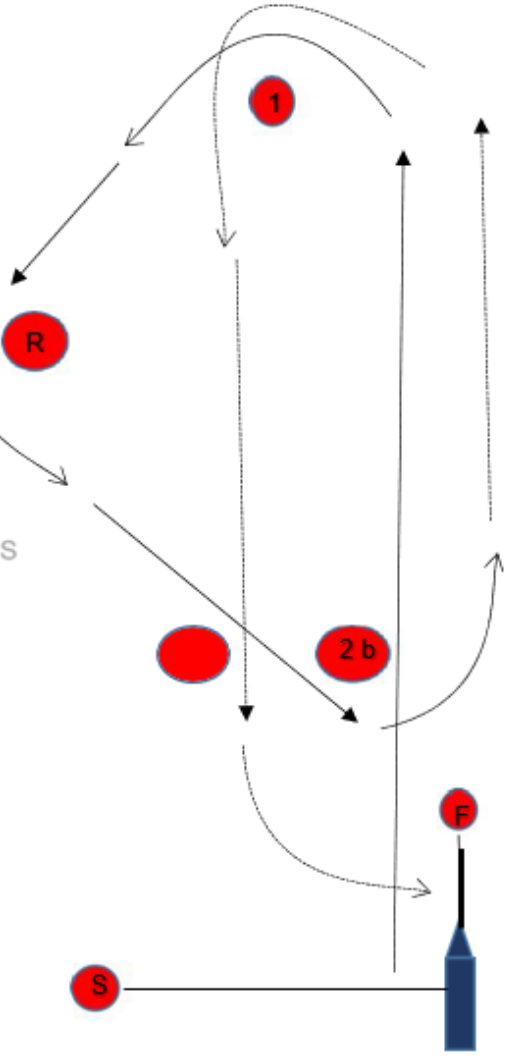
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Addendum A

Racing Areas and Permanent Marks



Addendum B – Courses

Course "W"	Course "T"
 <p>The diagram for Course "W" shows a start line (S) on the left and a finish line (F) on the right, both marked with red circles. A thick black line connects S and F. The course path is indicated by arrows: from S, the path goes up and right to marker 1 (red circle), then down and left to marker 2a (red circle), then up and right to marker 2b (red circle), then down and left to marker 1, and finally down and right to the finish line F.</p>	 <p>The diagram for Course "T" shows a start line (S) on the left and a finish line (F) on the right, both marked with red circles. A thick black line connects S and F. The course path is indicated by arrows: from S, the path goes up and right to marker 1 (red circle), then down and left to marker R (red circle), then down and right to marker 2b (red circle), then up and left to marker 1, and finally down and right to the finish line F.</p>
<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>



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