

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

IOD Celebrity Invitational

A Part of Nantucket Race Week
August 17-19, 2011


Organized By:

Nantucket Race Week, L.L.C.

And Hosted By:

Nantucket Yacht Club (NYC), Great Harbor Yacht Club (GHYC), Nantucket Community Sailing (NCS), the Nantucket Race Week Committee and in conjunction with the Nantucket International One Design Fleet Association (NIODFA).

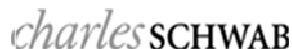
1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions, these Sailing Instructions will prevail. This changes rule 63.7.
- 1.3 The celebrity tactician may not helm the boat, except for brief periods, as necessary.
- 1.4 Part 5, Section B is changed to provide for arbitration of protests of a rule of Part 2.
- 1.5 The following prescriptions of the US national authority will not apply: Prescriptions to Rules 60, 63.2, and 63.4.
- 1.6 The race committee will use VHF channel 71 to communicate with competitors.
- 1.7 When flag Y  is displayed, prior to the warning signal, from the race committee signal boat:
 - a) Spinnakers shall not be used for that race.

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- b) PFDs (lifejackets) shall be worn by all competitors.
- c) Rule 44.3 Scoring Penalty will be in effect, instead of rule 44.2 (turns).

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the main entry hall of Nantucket Yacht Club. Boat assignments will be posted on the official notice board.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted by 0900 on the day it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at Nantucket Yacht Club.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore. '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 The competitors meeting will be at 0900 Thursday, August 18 at NYC.

5.2 The scheduled time of the first warning signal each day is 1100

5.3 Multiple races may be sailed each day.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Code flag "Oscar"  will be the class flag.

7 RACING AREA

7.1 Attachment 1 shows the location of racing areas.

7.2 The racing area will be posted by 0900 each day and announced over VHF 71 periodically before the first warning signal.

8 COURSES

8.1 The diagrams in Attachment 2 show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will display the course identifier as well as the approximate compass bearing and distance to the first mark.

8.3 The letter G, following the course identifier, will signify that a gate will be used instead of the leeward mark. When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks of the course will be inflatable tetrahedrons or cylinders." With "Marks 1, 1a and 2 (or 2a and 2b) will be orange inflatable tetrahedrons

9.2 The starting mark will be a yellow inflatable tetrahedron.

10 THE START

10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the course side of the nearby starting mark.

10.2 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

10.3 The race committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of OCS boats after the

starting signal, using VHF Channel 71. The failure of the race committee to hail, or of any boat to hear the hail and the order of such hails shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will change the position of the next mark (or the finishing line) and signal all boats in accordance with rule 33 before they begin the leg. The next mark need not be in position at that time.

12 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

13 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 90 minutes. Boats still racing more than 30 minutes after the first boat will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

14 PENALTIES

Rule 44.1 is changed to permit a boat that has not taken a penalty in compliance with rules 44.1 or 44.3 to take a scoring penalty for a breach of a rule of Part 2 prior to the protest hearing. This Scoring Penalty shall be 40% of the number of boats starting the race (rounding 0.5 upward), but shall not be less than 4 places, added to her actual finish position. However, she shall not be scored worse than DNF.

15 PROTESTS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the Nantucket Yacht Club front desk.
- 15.2 Protests shall be delivered to the Protest Desk within 60 minutes after the race committee finish boat docks. The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the notice board.

16 ARBITRATION

- 16.1 For protests involving an alleged breach of a rule of Part 2, a short arbitration hearing will be held prior to a protest hearing except that arbitration will not be available for protests where damage is alleged.
- 16.2 One representative from each boat will meet with an arbitrator unless the protestor requests that the protest be withdrawn. No witnesses will be allowed. Protests not resolved by arbitration will be forwarded to the protest committee.
- 16.3 The arbitrator will not be a member of the protest committee that hears the protest but will be permitted to observe the testimony given to the protest committee and offer testimony. This changes rule 63.3(a).
- 16.4 Rule 63.1 is changed by adding: "The arbitrator may allow a protest to be withdrawn on behalf of the Protest Committee."

17 SCORING

- 17.1 If fewer than five races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. If five or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.
- 17.2 A maximum of eight races are scheduled; one completed race shall constitute a series.

18 SAFETY

- 18.1 All boats are requested to check-in with the race committee before the start of the first race each day by sailing past the signal boat 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 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 19.1 The race committee will use VHF channel 71 to communicate with competitors.
- 19.2 The race committee may use VHF channel 71 or other channels for working communications. Boats may monitor, but are advised that the race committee communications are unofficial and the use, or lack thereof, of radio communications shall not be grounds for granting redress.
- 19.3 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

20 DAMAGES

- 20.1 **Damage Deposits:** Competitors shall be required to post a damage deposit of \$1,000 at the time of registration. After the conclusion of the regatta, the deposit will be returned, less any deductions for loss or damage incurred by the competitor during the regatta. Additionally, damage deposits may be 'pooled' to cover any unattributable loss or damage to the boats that occurred as a direct result of the use of the boats in the regatta. In such event, expenses shall be deducted from the pool, and the balance shall be returned to the competitors after the conclusion of the regatta.
- 20.2 **Damage:** Damage to a boat shall be borne by the team deemed at fault by the incident as determined by the Protest Committee. If no protest is filed because the at-fault boat retired or accepted a penalty pursuant to the rules, they shall be held responsible for any damage from an incident. If damage occurs as a result of an incident between boats, and neither boat delivers a protest, then the boats involved in the incident shall be held equally responsible. If a boat is damaged such that it cannot race in subsequent races during the regatta, the responsible team will be ineligible to race until the boat is returned to service. In such event, the team who would have next held the damaged boat in the rotation will instead sail the boat that the responsible team was to have next held in the rotation.
- 20.3 **Damage Reports:** Teams shall be issued a Condition Report at the beginning of each day, detailing any pre-existing damage or maintenance discrepancies to the boats. Teams are encouraged to inspect their boats upon boarding it each morning and note any pre-existing damage not covered on the Condition Report. Within two

hours of the of the last boat finishing the final race of each day, skippers shall submit to the Protest Desk a completed Damage Report, detailing the condition of the boat, any damage (including hull, equipment, rigging or sails) which occurred during the day, the party responsible for such damage, the race in which the damage occurred, as well as any other maintenance discrepancies, or suggested repairs. The penalty for breaking this instruction, unless the protest committee is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, will be disqualification from the most recently sailed race.

21 BREAKDOWNS

A boat requesting redress for a breakdown shall drop its jib, move away from other boats and signal the race committee boat immediately. If the breakdown occurs during a race, the boat must finish the race if possible, provided that further damage will not likely be incurred. If a boat incurs a breakdown through collision or equipment failure through no fault of her own, the protest committee may grant redress. This changes rule 62.1.

22 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be flying black Nantucket Race Week flags.

23 CLEAN REGATTA

Nantucket Race Week is committed to maintaining Nantucket's clean waters and shores. As such Nantucket Race Week is registered in the Sailors for the Sea's Clean Regattas program. All NRW participants are encouraged to follow the goals and requirements of Clean Regattas.

The requirements include:

- No discharge of treated or untreated sewage or black water in harbor areas or no-discharge zones around Nantucket.
- No overboard discharge of trash or littering at shore facilities (e.g., rigging tape, cigarette butts, beer cans).
- Follow Nantucket's trash and recycling guidelines: Trash must be in clear plastic or biodegradable bags.
- All paper, glass, metal, and plastic must be recycled and placed in separate containers.
- Reduce plastic waste by using refillable water bottles.
- Use green cleaning and maintenance products.
- Reduce the impact of oil spills from motorized vessels by carrying at least one bilge sponge and fuel spill pad.

24 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 Rule 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers, Nantucket Race Week LLC, the Nantucket Yacht Club, Great Harbor Yacht Club, Nantucket Community Sailing, race committee, protest 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 to any person sustained as a result of

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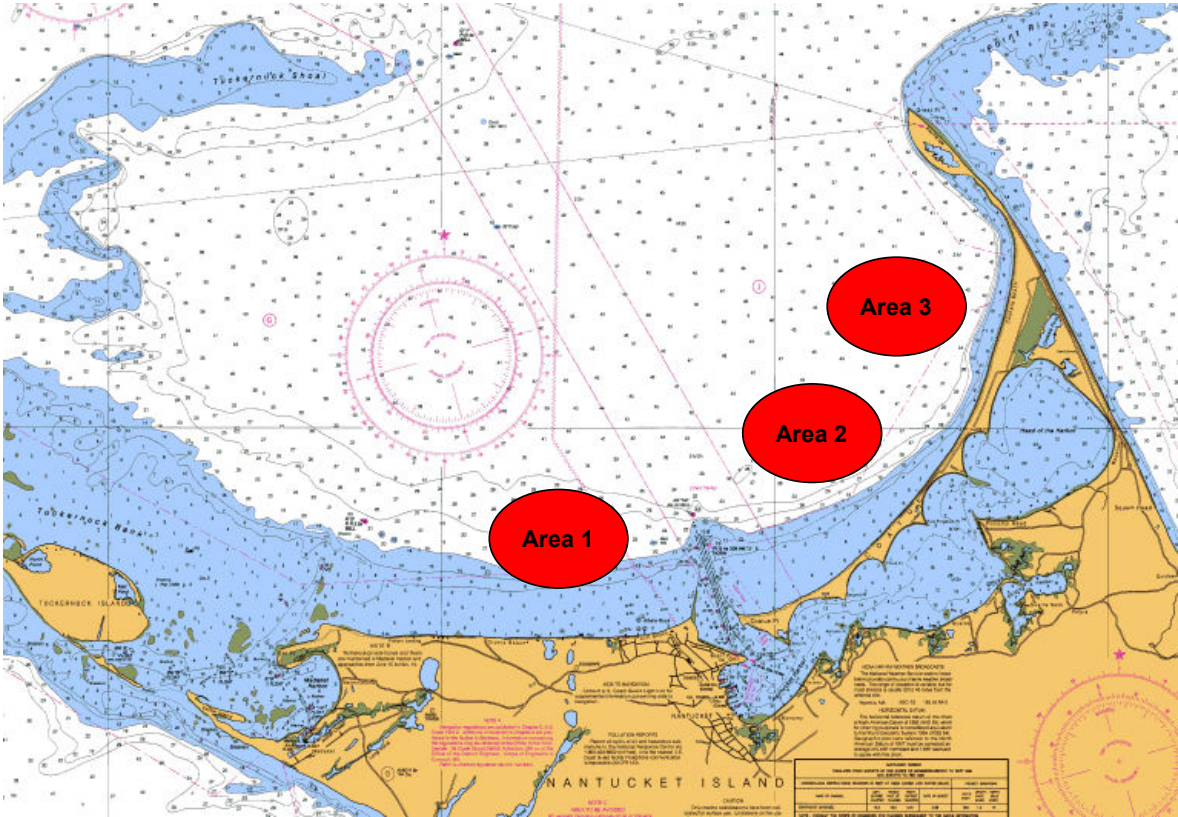


participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor (owners, skippers, and crews) agrees to release the race organizers and all persons and groups listed above from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

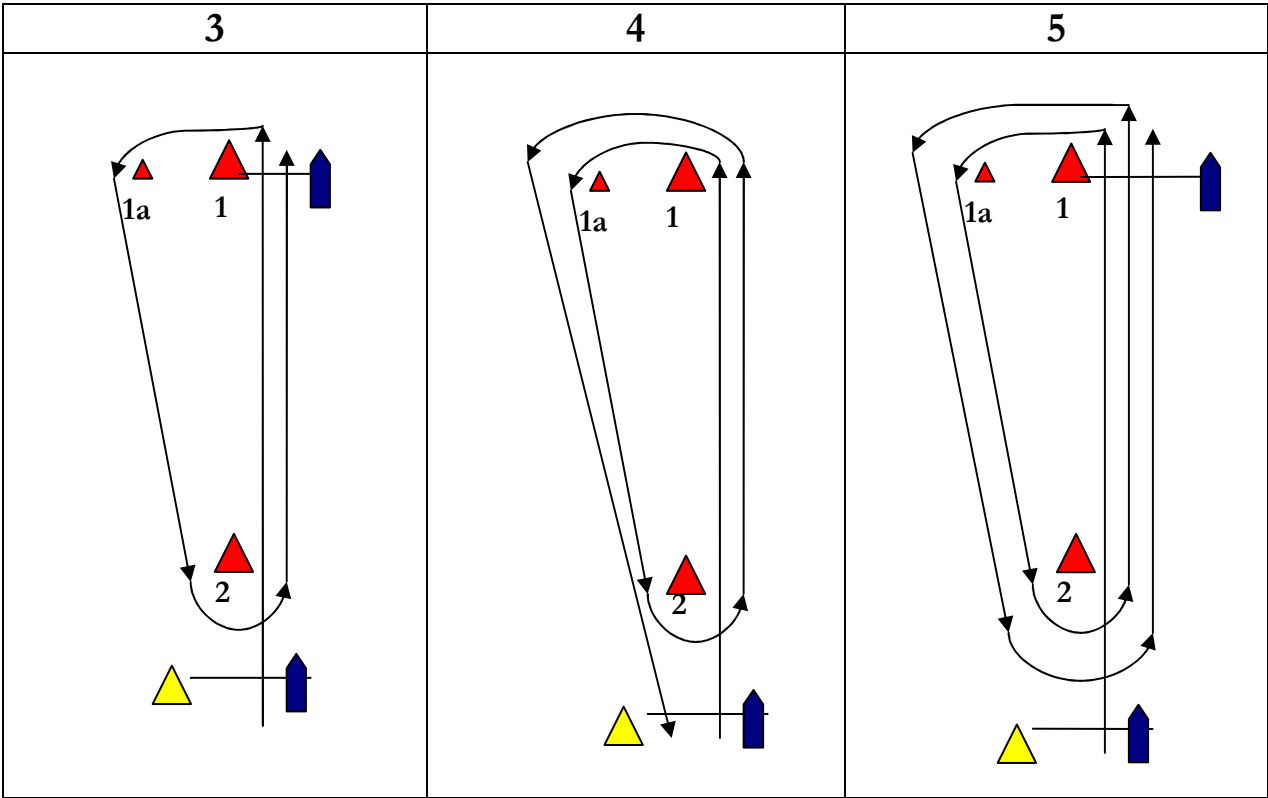
NOTES: THE NIODFA requires that the alternative penalty/no spinnakers (Rule 1.7) will be taken in sustained winds over 17 knots and that racing be postponed/suspended when sustained winds exceed 22 knots. These guidelines are in place to minimize damage to the boats.

Attachment 1 - RACING AREAS

(Chart not to be used for Navigation.)



Attachment 2 – Courses



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