



NOTICE OF RACE

YOUTH OPTI REGATTA

August 16, 2023

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**

The Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined by *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix V1 (Alternative Penalties).

2. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Official Notice Board 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 the race committee will communicate verbally and by signals on a white board.

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 2023.

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 econway@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 **Monday August 14 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. There will be no competitors meeting. Coaches will verbally deliver instructions ahead of rigging at home clubs.

7.2. The first warning signal will be 1300.

7.3. Multiple races are planned.

7.4. Awards are scheduled at 1900 at GHYC.

8. **VENUE**

The available racing areas in Nantucket Harbor will be shown in the sailing instructions.

9. **PENALTY SYSTEM**

The protest committee may impose penalties less than disqualification (DP), for violation of the class rules and racing rules other than those of RRS Part 1 and Part 2. This changes RRS 64.2.



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10. SCORING

- 10.1. One completed race constitutes a regatta.
- 10.2. Boats will be scored in two Divisions: Green and Championship.
- 10.3. 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.
- 10.4. Results will be posted on the NRW Website following the regatta.

11. SAFETY

All competitors shall wear, while on the water, US Coast Guard approved PFD, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. This changes RRS 40. The penalty for breach of this rule is DSQ, without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1. First, second, and third place prizes may be awarded in each Division.
- 12.2. The top-performing skipper in a one-design fleet during the entire week will also receive a special NRW prize.

13. 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.

14. 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.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

Nantucket Community Sailing
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Website [Nantucket Race Week](https://www.nantucketraceweek.org)