



# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## YOUTH OPTI REGATTA

August 16, 2023

Presented by Marine Home Center

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix V1 (Alternative Penalties).
- 1.2. The race committee will use VHF channel 67 to communicate with coaches.

### 2. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least 2 hours prior to the affected event on the Official Notice Board or verbally by the signal vessel prior to the warning signal.
- 2.2. The race committee may make changes on the water to the Sailing Instructions by hail to each boat before the warning signal.

### 3. SCHEDULE

- 3.1. The first warning signal will be at 1300.
- 3.2. Multiple races are planned.

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#### 4. CLASS FLAGS

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

#### 4. RACING AREAS

All races will be sailed in Area 1 or Area 2 as in Addendum A.

#### 5. 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 be hailed from the signal vessel or displayed on a white board.

#### 6. MARKS

All marks will be red balls.

#### 7. THE START

- 7.1. The class flag(s) will be displayed at least one minute before the starting sequence.
- 7.2. Repeated short sound signals will be made approximately ten seconds before the warning signal.
- 7.3. Races will use the Audible-Signal Racing System of Appendix U (3-minute dinghy starts).
- 7.4. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- 7.5. The two Divisions may be started separately or together.
- 7.6. Boats may not start more than 3 minutes after their starting signal.
- 7.7. If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line the race committee will attempt to hail 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 considered an improper action or omission by the race committee under RRS 62.1(a).
- 7.8. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.

#### 8. CHANGE IN THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

Courses will not be changed during racing although marks may be adjusted without signaling at the previous mark. This changes RRS 33.

#### 9. THE FINISH

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

#### 10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. When PFDs are required the Turns penalties of RRS V1 are replaced by the Scoring Penalty of RRS 44.3.
- 10.2. 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.

#### 10. TIME LIMIT

- 10.1. The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 60 minutes.
- 10.2. Boats still racing more than 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.



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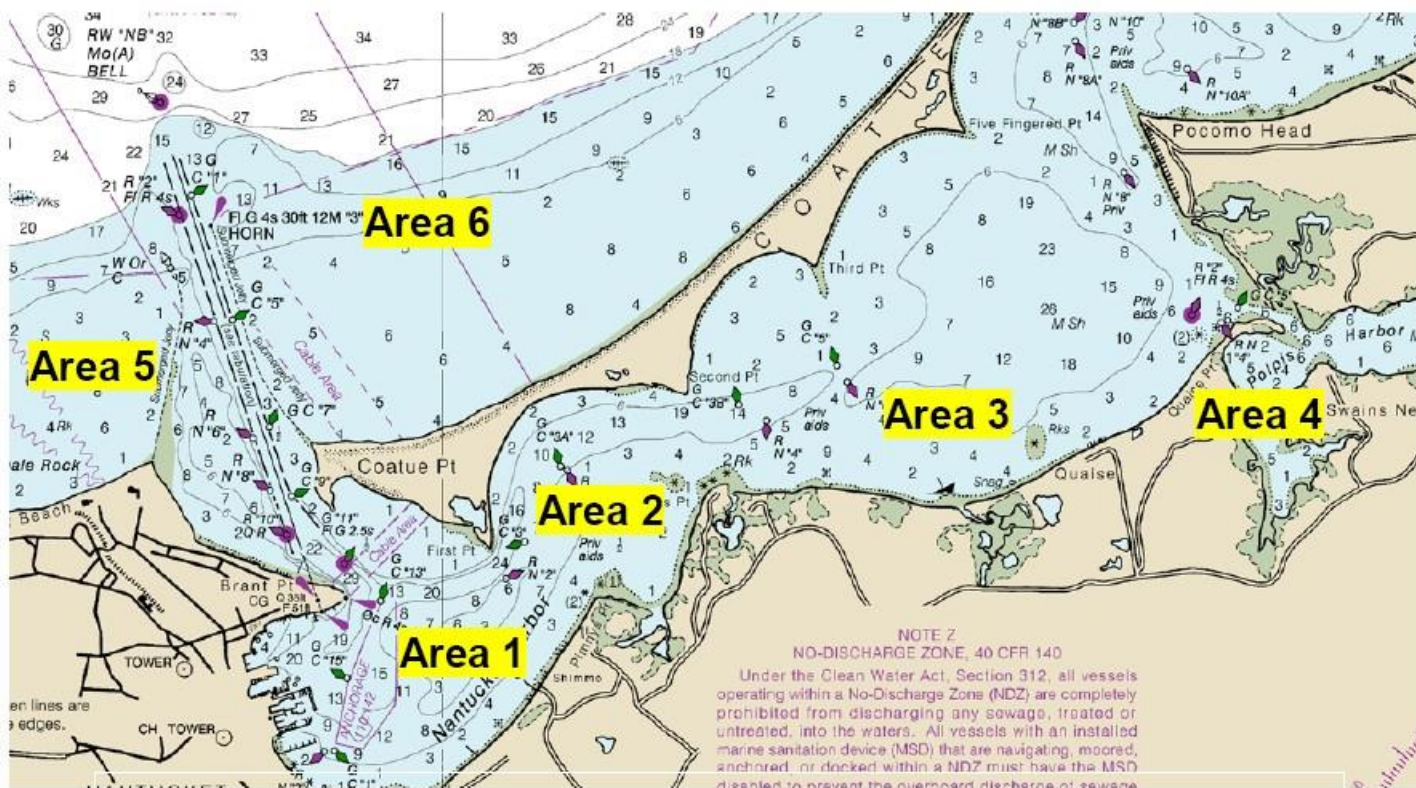
#### 11. PROTESTS AND REDRESS

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

#### 12. SAFETY

- 12.1. 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.
- 12.2. A boat that retires from the racing area shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

## Addendum A - Racing Areas



## Addendum B - COURSE DIAGRAMS

