



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs) GHYC CHALLENGE REGATTA 2021

August 1, 2021
Nantucket, MA

Organizing Authority: Great Harbor Yacht Club

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix V.
- 1.2 Competitors may not draw or compete in the Rhodes 19 that they race on a regular basis. If a competitor draws his/her boat, the OA will return the draw to the pool, and the OA will draw another boat for the competitor.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any changes to Sailing instructions made before 0930 on August 1 will be posted on the notice board and announced at the competitor's meeting. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on July 31.
- 2.2 Any changes to a sailing instruction made after the competitor's meeting will be made on the water by VHF radio communication to all sailors on VHF channel 71. See RRS 90.2(c).

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Jobson Sailing Center.
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 71.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag pole. If a postponement is signaled ashore, '1 minute' is replaced by 'not less than 60 minutes' in Race Signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Racing is scheduled for Sunday, August 1, 2021.
- 5.2 Boat rotation draw will commence at 0915 at GHYC. One rotation draw is planned.
- 5.3 Competitors' meeting will be at 0930 at GHYC.
- 5.4 First gun is scheduled for no later than 1100.
- 5.5 No race started after 1500.

- 5.6 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before the warning signal will be made.
- 5.7 Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.

6 CLASS FLAG

- 6.1 Class flag is the Rhodes 19 flag.



7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The racing area will be one of the three areas shown on SI Addendum A and will be announced at the competitors' meeting.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will announce the course over VHF and will display the course on a whiteboard at the back of the race committee vessel.
- 8.2 The course diagrams are on SI Addendum B. They show the possible courses for the regatta, the order in which marks are to be passed, the approximate angles between legs and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks will be inflatable tetrahedron drop marks of varying sizes.

10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
- 10.3 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 10.4 A boat that does not start within five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

11 CHANGE TO NEXT LEG OF COURSE

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position and announce the change on VHF 71. This changes RRS 33.

12 THE FINISH

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

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 When flag Y is on display prior to the warning signal from the race committee signal vessel, the Turns penalties of RRS V1 are replaced by the Scoring Penalty of RRS 44.3.
- 13.2 V1 PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT

The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two Turns Penalty.'

13.3 V2 POST-RACE PENALTIES

- a) Provided that rule 44.1 (b) does not apply, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time after the race until the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.
- b) A Post-Race Penalty is a 30% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies.
- c) A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by delivering to the race office a written statement that she accepts the penalty and that identifies the race number and where and when the incident occurred.

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 60 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes of THE first boat to finish, and not subsequently retiring, penalized, or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE), equal to the number of finishers in her class plus two. This changes RRS 35, A4, A5 and A10.

15 HEARING REQUESTS

- 15.1 If a boat intends to protest another boat, it is requested that the protesting boat hails Race Committee after finishing the race in which the protest occurred.
- 15.2 Protest forms are available at the Jobson Sailing Center.
- 15.3 Protests shall be delivered to the Protest Desk within 45 minutes after the race committee vessel docks. The docking time and a list of protests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will be held promptly in the Protest Room which will be in the Jobson Sailing Center.
- 15.4 A boat requesting redress for a breakdown before or after a race shall drop its jib, move away from other boats and contact the race committee vessel immediately. If the breakdown occurs during a race, the vessel must finish the race, if possible, provided that further damage will not likely be incurred. The boat shall return to the starting area and stand by the committee vessel while executing her repairs. When repairs are completed, the skipper shall then verbally advise the PRO that she is ready to race.
- 15.5 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 RRS 62.1. If a boat incurs a breakdown through no fault of the team sailing her, that team may file for redress in accordance with SI and RRS 62.1.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will be used for scoring.
- 16.2 One completed race constitutes a regatta.
- 16.3 If more than five races are completed, a boat's score will be the total of her scores excluding the worst score.

17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 17.1 J2.2(25) [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the OA.
- 17.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in by the OA. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 All boats are requested to 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 leaves the course area before the end of the last race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 18.3 All participants are reminded that the US Coast Guard requires a wearable PFD for all crew on board the vessel.

19 SUPPLIED BOATS

- 19.1 Boats will be supplied by the organizing authority. See SI Addendum C.

20 PRIZES

- 20.1 Prizes will be given for first through third place at the Awards Ceremony on the Great Harbor Yacht Club Lawn on Sunday, August 1 at 4:00pm.

21 CLEAN REGATTA

- 21.1 This regatta is a Sailors for the Sea “Clean Regatta.” Great Harbor Yacht Club is committed to maintaining Nantucket’s clean waters and shores. WE encourage all participants to pledge to become a Sailors for the Sea Green Boater using the following link www.sailorsforthesea.org/greenboater. Green Boaters will receive free, digital Green Boating Guide with tips on how to boat in an environmentally responsible manner.



22 RISK STATEMENT

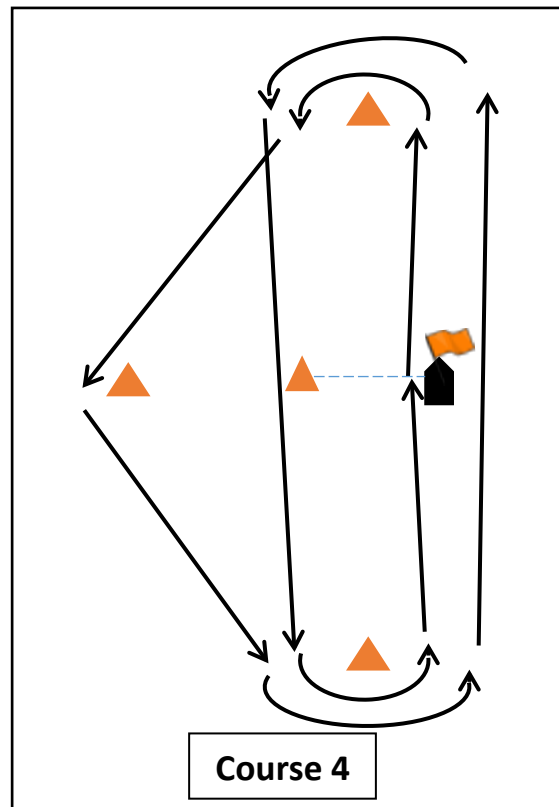
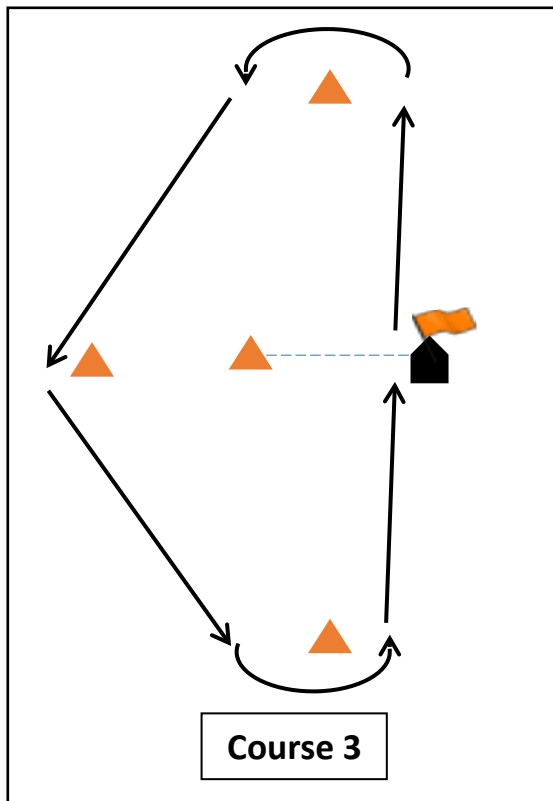
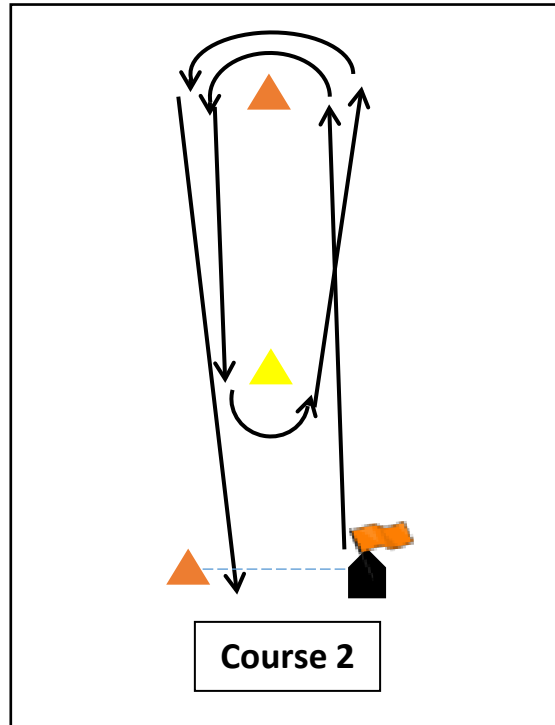
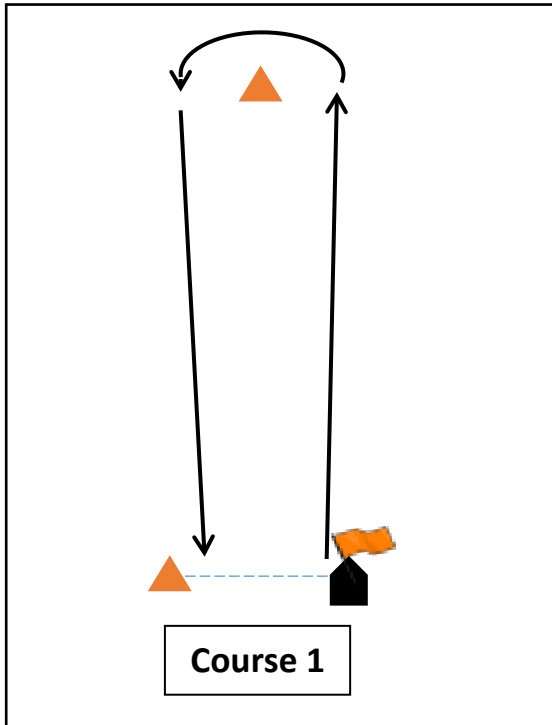
- 22.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (Great Harbor Yacht Club, individual boat owners, Race Committee, Protest Committee, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any person sustained as a result of participation in the GHYC Challenge Regatta. By participating in the GHYC Challenge Regatta, each competitor (skippers, crews, and support persons) agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor’s participation in the GHYC Challenge Regatta to the fullest extent permitted by law.

23 FURTHER INFORMATION

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SI ADDENDUM B
COURSES



SI ADDENDUM C
BOATS SUPPLIED BY THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

C1. BOATS

- C1.1 Boats will be supplied for all competitors, who shall not modify them or cause them to be modified in any way except that
- a) a compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars
 - b) wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat; and
 - c) adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line
- C1.2 Boats will be bottom cleaned and universally tuned prior to racing by the OA
- C1.3 All equipment supplied with the boat for sailing purposes shall be in the boat while afloat.
- C1.4 The penalty for not complying with one of the above instructions is disqualification from all races sailed in which the instruction was broken.
- C1.5 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the organizing authority (via Race Committee) immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this instruction, unless the protest committee is satisfied that the competitor made a determine effort to comply, is disqualification from the race most recently sailed.