



HYANNIS YACHT CLUB YOUTH INVITATIONAL REGATTA

August 7th and 8th, 2024
The Hyannis Yacht Club is the OA



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation [DP] in a rule means a penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.

The notation [NP] in a rule means it shall not be grounds for protest by a boat.

1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing(RRS)*
- 1.2 **RRS 1.1 *Helping those in Danger*** applies to support boats as well as competitors. All support boats shall provide assistance to any competitor in distress or in the event of an emergency. Support boats are required to monitor the VHF channel of the race circle they are on.
- 1.3 **[NP] Hyannis Shipping Channel Rule**-The Hyannis Harbor Channel contains high speed commercial traffic. **These ships have absolute rights over all other boats. Competitor and support boats failing to comply with the Hyannis Harbor Shipping Rule are subject to protest by the race committee. The penalty for violating this rule is disqualification from the entire regatta. This changes RRS 60.1 (b)**
 - 1.3.a **C420 Class**-Competitors transitioning to and from the race area shall sail to the west of The Hyannis Harbor Channel. **See Appendix #1**
In the event there is a change of venue for the C420 Class to sail in Lewis Bay, they are to follow Rule 1.3.d.
 - 1.3.b In the vicinity of Dunbar Point there will be two (2) inflatable marks set as a gate. **Boats transitioning to the race area shall not fly spinnakers from the Hyannis Yacht Club mooring field along Dunbar Point until they clear the gate area. Boats transitioning back to the Hyannis Yacht Club shall not fly spinnakers after passing through the gate. In the case of excess or commercial traffic in the channel area, patrol boats may direct competitors to remain in the area of the gate. Competitors shall remain in the gate area until directed to pass through.**
 - 1.3.c When support boats tow any boats(s) through the channel, the competitor's sails must be lowered.
 - 1.3.d **All Optimist Class** boats sailing in Lewis Bay shall cross the Hyannis Harbor Shipping Channel in the vicinity of the Hyannis Yacht Club fairway channel. **Boats shall only cross the Hyannis Harbor Shipping Channel escorted by a support or a regatta patrol boat.**

2 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS OR RACE SCHEDULE

- 2.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions shall be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 2.2 Any change to the Sailing Instructions shall be posted by 0900 on the day they are to take effect or in the case of a postponement ashore, no later than twenty (20) minutes prior to the lowering of Code Flag 'AP' ashore.
- 2.3 Any change to the schedule shall be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the southern end of the lower patio of the Hyannis Yacht Club.
- 3.2 The Race Secretary desk will be located in the Scudder Room in the lower level of the Hyannis Yacht Club.
- 3.3 Race Committee VHF Channels
 - Opti Green VHF Channel 67
 - Opti Champ VHF Channel 78
 - C420 VHF Channel 73

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 Competitors and Support persons shall comply with reasonable request from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag pole located on the dock.
- 5.2 The Harbor Start will be signaled when Code Flag 'J' with the class flag(s) is displayed with one (1) sound signal.
- 5.3 C420, Optimist Championship and Optimist Green Classes-When Code Flag 'AP' is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than thirty (30) minutes' in RRS Race Signals 'AP'.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Wednesday, August 7, 2024

- 0800-0900 Check-in for competitors and coaches
- 0845 Coaches Meeting, on the beach
- 0900 Competitors Meeting, C420, ILCA and Optimist Classed, on the beach
- 0930 Harbor Start C420, ILCA and Optimist Championship Classes
- 1000 Harbor Start Optimist Green Class
- 1015 Warning Optimist Championship Class
- 1030 Warning C420, ILCA Classes
- 1045 Warning Optimist Green Class
- 1400 No Warning to be signaled for the Optimist Green Class after this time
- 1500 Optimist Green Class debrief on the beach

Thursday, August 8, 2024

- 0745 Coaches meeting on the beach
- 0800 Competitors Meeting C420, ILCA and Optimist Championship Classes, on the beach
- 0830 Harbor Start C420, ILCA and Optimist Championship Classes
Competitors Meeting Optimist Green Class
- 0900 Harbor Start Optimist Green Class
- 0915 Warning Optimist Championship Class
- 0930 Warning C420 and ILCA /classes
- 0945 Warning Optimist Green Class
- 1330 No Warning to be signaled for the Optimist Green Class after this time
- 1400 No Warning to be signaled for the C420, ILCA and Optimist Championship Classes after this time

As many races as possible will be conducted. One race completed shall constitute a regatta.

Awards Ceremony will be conducted as soon as possible at the conclusion of racing

7 CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1** Optimist Green Optimist Green Class Flag
Optimist Championship See Appendix 3
C420 See Appendix 4

8 RACE AREAS-See Appendix #1

- 8.1** Optimist Green Class South Side Lewis Bay
Optimist Championship Class North side Lewis Bay
C420 Class South of Hyannis Port Breakwater

9 COURSES-See Appendix #2 (3 sheets)

- 9.1** Courses will be windward, leeward, triangle or combination of both.

10 MARKS

- 10.1** C420 Class-Marks will be yellow inflatable
Optimist Championship Class-Marks will be orange inflatable
Optimist Green Class-Marks will inflatable animal characters.
C420 and Optimist Championship Classes-Finish Mark will be a pink inflatable.

11 START

- 11.1** Before the Warning Signal of the first race of the day that a boat sails in, she shall sail past the stern of the signal boat on starboard tack and verbally check-in. When the race committee acknowledges a boat's sail number the check-in has officially been completed. Boats failing to properly check-in will be assessed a twenty (20) percent scoring penalty to their best score of the day. The penalty will not be subject to redress. **This changes RRS 44.3 (c) and RRS 60.1.**
- 11.2** Optimist Green Class-Races will be started as described in **RRS APPENDIX U AUDIBLE-SIGNAL RACING SYSTEM.**
- 11.3** Starting Procedure for the Optimist Championship Class
11.3.a Boats will be divided and assigned to four fleets by the Organizing Authority and at check-in will be provided with a colored streamer corresponding to their assigned fleet color.
11.3.b Each boat shall display the colored streamer from her masthead.
11.3.c The starting rotation will be described in **Appendix #3**
- 11.4** Starting Procedure for the C420 Class
11.4.a Boats will be divided and assigned to four (4) fleets by the Organizing Authority and at check-in will be provided with a colored streamer corresponding to their assigned fleet color.
11.4.b Each boat shall display the colored streamer from her masthead.
11.4.c The Starting Rotation will be described in **Appendix #4.**
- 11.5** The starting line will be between the staff displaying the orange flag on the starboard end of the line and either a staff displaying an orange flag on a pin boat or the course side of an orange inflatable mark on the port end of the line.
- 11.6** There may be a small "keep off" buoy attached to the stern of the signal boat which shall constitute a Mark as defined in the RRS. Boats shall not touch or pass between this mark and the signal boat.
- 11.7** The race committee may use a midline guide buoy. It is not a mark of the course and it is not a starting mark.

12 FINISH

- 12.1** The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag and the nearby pink inflatable mark except for the Optimist Green Class.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 RRS APPENDIX V *Alternative Penalties* shall apply.

14 TIME LIMITS

14.1 Time Limit for all Classes

Race Time Limit (60) minutes

Finish Window (30) minutes

14.2 If no boat finishes within sixty (60) minutes from the start time, the race shall be abandoned.

14.3 Boats failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes from the first boat to properly sail the course, and not subsequently retiring, penalized, or given redress, shall be scored **Time Limit Expired (TLE)**. The TLE score is not subject to redress. **This changes RRS 35, RRS 30.1 (b), A5.1, A5.2 and A10.**

15 HEARING REQUEST

15.1 The protest time is forty-five (45) minutes after the signal boat docks.

15.2 Hearing request, Scoring Inquiry and post-race penalty forms will be available at the Race Secretary Desk.

15.3 Notices to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses will be posted no later than thirty (30) minutes after the protest time limit.

16 SCORING

16.1 **Appendix A4** Low Point Scoring System shall apply.

16.2 When four (4) or fewer races have been completed the boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. When five or more races have been completed the boat's score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16.3 Boats scored **Time Limit Expired (TLE)** will be scored points equal to the number of boats that sailed the course and finished within the time limit plus one place.

17 SAFETY

17.1 All Competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Device at all times while afloat except for brief times while clothing may be changed, added, or removed.

17.2 All support boats are required to carry a VHF radio and monitor the race committee channel for the race area they are on.

17.3 **[DP] [NP]** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

17.4 Support boat use of ECO Link (aka kill switch).

Operators of power boats less than 26ft in length shall use ECO Link (aka kill switch) at all times except when docking or launching.

18 COACHING

18.1 **[DP]** Except for the Opti Green Class, any coach/observer who violates **RRS 41** by providing outside assistance (coaching) to a competitor while Racing from their preparatory signal may be protested by the race committee.

18.2 On the water coaching is allowed for the Opti Green Fleet.

18.3 The Race Committee may, in their sole discretion, determine that competitors require assistance and may require all coaches and support personal in the race area to render such assistance.

19 TRASH DISPOSAL

19.1 Trash may be placed aboard official race committee and support boats.

20 PRIZES

20.1 Prizes will be awarded to first through third place finishers in the **Opti Red, Blue, White and the C420 Classes.**

Recognition awards will be given to participants in the **Opti Green Class.**

Prize(s) for Sportsmanship may be awarded. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the race committee.

21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

21.1 Competitors participate in this regatta at their own risk. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.

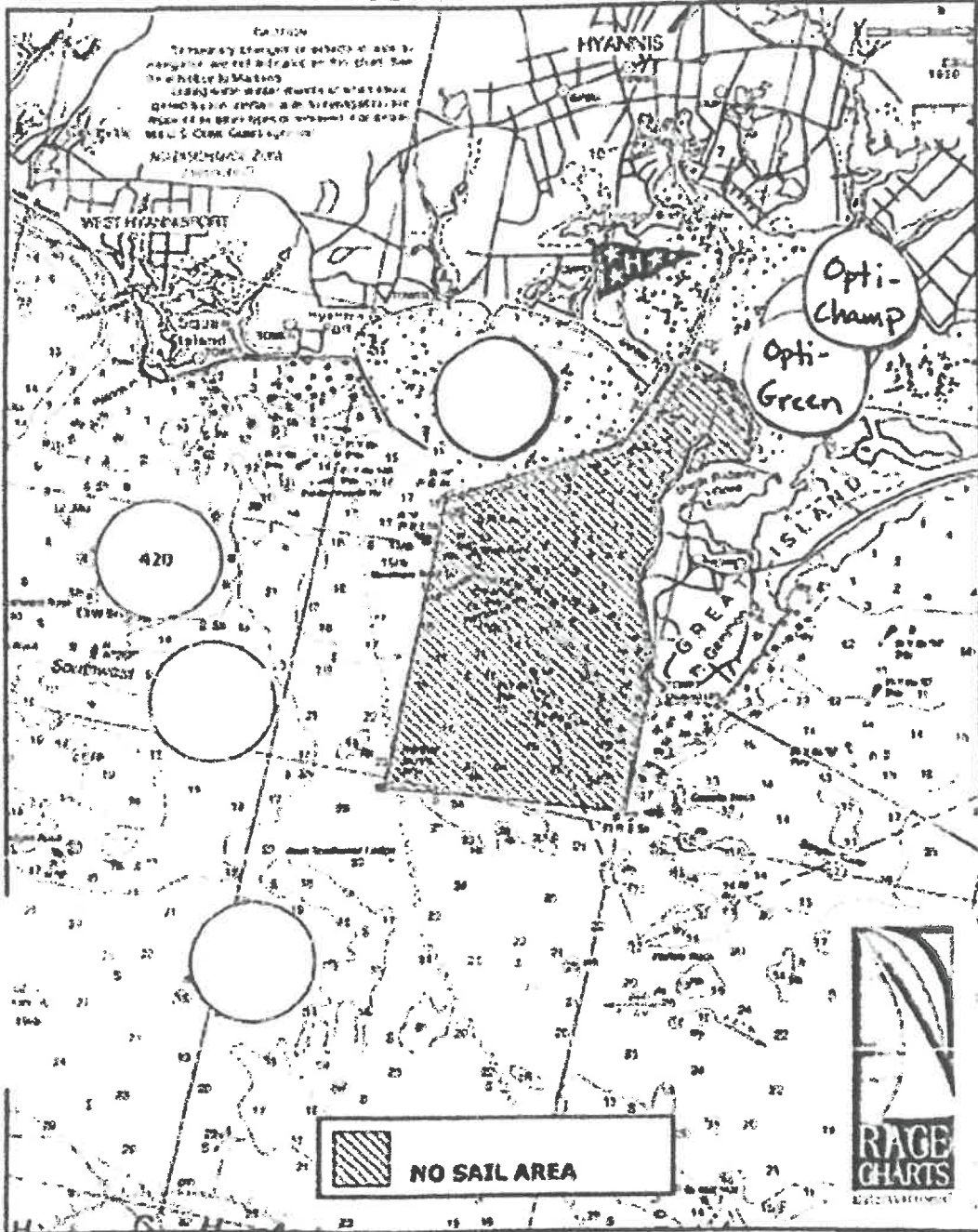
Sailing is an activity that has inherent risk of damage and injury. Neither the Hyannis Yacht Club nor its Trustees, Officers, Race Committee, members or any other individual or entity affiliated with this regatta shall be held responsible to any participating boat owner, skipper, guest or their families, heirs or assigns. **See RRS 3 DECISION TO RACE**

22 MEDIA

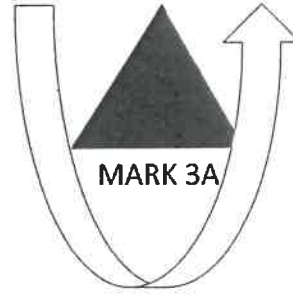
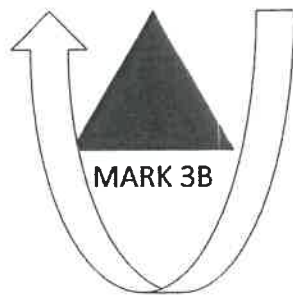
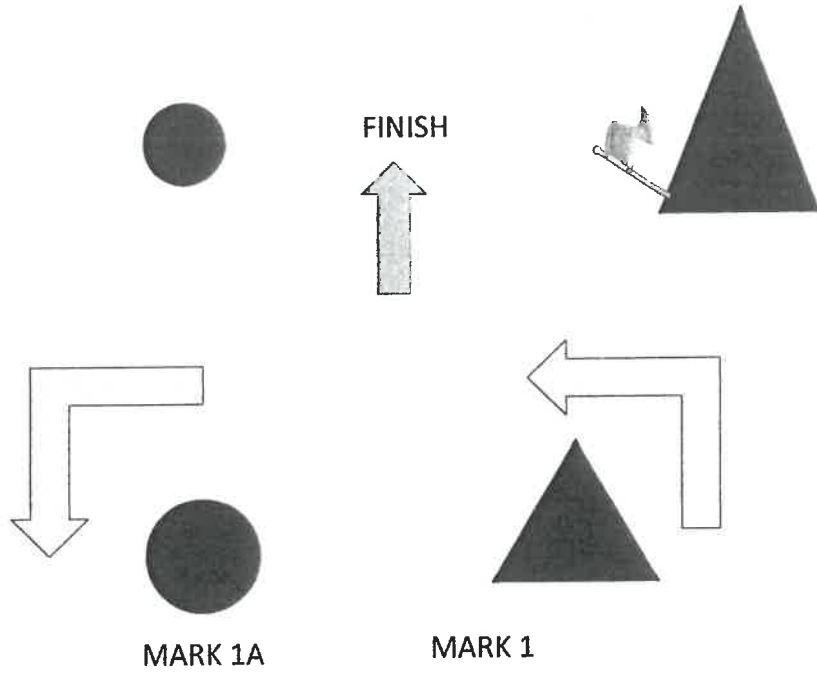
22.1 By participating in this regatta, each competitor grants to the Organizing Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any photograph, video and live or recorded or other reproductions of him or her made during the period of the regatta without compensation.

Appendix # 1

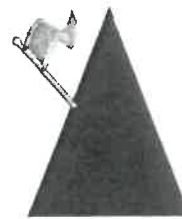
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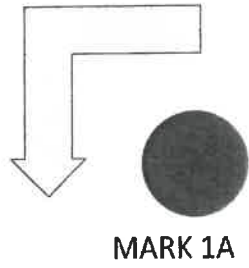
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MARK 1A
GATE 3A-3B
FINISH**



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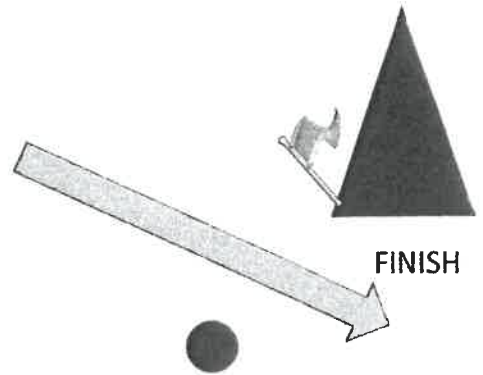
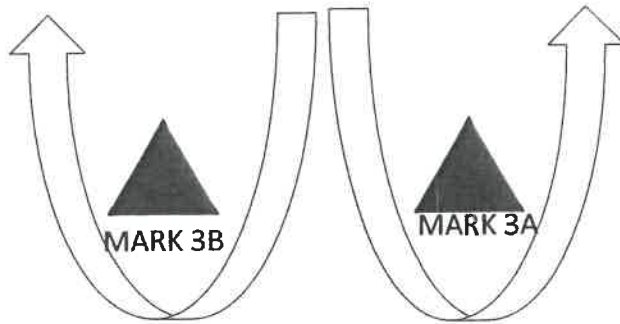
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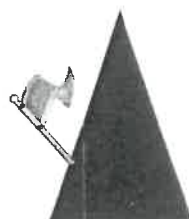
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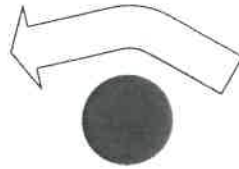
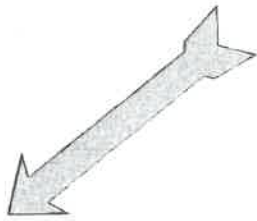
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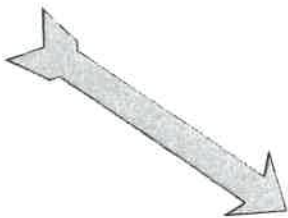
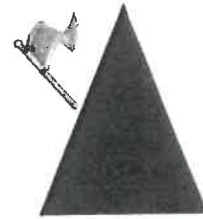
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Appendix #2
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Appendix 3

Hyannis Youth Invitational Optimist Championship Circle Start Schedule

The Optimist Championship Fleet will be divided into four groups: Orange, Yellow, Green, and Pink. Two groups will sail in each start. Rule 26 will be the starting system- class flags will be a flag of the same color as the boat's group. The schedule will 'double up' starts, rotating colors every two starts, for the first twelve starts in order to get through two rounds as quickly as possible. After two rounds are completed the schedule will rotate colors after each start. The 'round robin' will continue for the entire regatta- it is very likely that the regatta will not finish on an 'even' round in order to get in as much racing as possible. A complete race is a race in which all four groups complete a race. All complete races will be scored.

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|-------|--------|--------|
| 1. a. | Green | Pink |
| b. | Orange | Yellow |
| 2. a. | Green | Pink |
| b. | Orange | Yellow |
| 3. a. | Green | Orange |
| b. | Pink | Yellow |
| 4. a. | Green | Orange |
| b. | Pink | Yellow |
| 5. a. | Green | Yellow |
| b. | Pink | Orange |
| 6. a. | Green | Yellow |
| b. | Pink | Orange |
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| 7. a. | Green | Pink |
| b. | Orange | Yellow |
| 8. a. | Green | Orange |
| b. | Pink | Yellow |
| 9. a. | Green | Yellow |
| b. | Pink | Orange |
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| 10. a. | Green | Pink |
| b. | Orange | Yellow |
| 11. a. | Green | Orange |
| b. | Pink | Yellow |
| 12. a. | Green | Yellow |
| b. | Pink | Orange |

Appendix 4

Hyannis Youth Invitational C420 Circle Start Schedule

The 420 fleet will be divided into four groups: Orange, Yellow, Blue, and Pink. Two groups will sail in each start. Rule 26 will be the starting system- class flags will be a flag of the same color as the boat's group. The schedule will 'double up' starts, rotating colors every two starts, for the first twelve starts in order to get through two rounds as quickly as possible. After two rounds are completed the schedule will rotate colors after each start. The 'round robin' will continue for the entire regatta- it is very likely that the regatta will not finish on an 'even' round in order to get in as much racing as possible. A complete race is a race in which all four groups complete a race. All complete races will be scored.

1. a.	Blue	Pink
b.	Orange	Yellow
2. a.	Blue	Pink
b.	Orange	Yellow
3. a.	Blue	Orange
b.	Pink	Yellow
4. a.	Blue	Orange
b.	Pink	Yellow
5. a.	Blue	Yellow
b.	Pink	Orange
6. a.	Blue	Yellow
b.	Pink	Orange

7. a.	Blue	Pink
b.	Orange	Yellow
8. a.	Blue	Orange
b.	Pink	Yellow
9. a.	Blue	Yellow
b.	Pink	Orange

10. a.	Blue	Pink
b.	Orange	Yellow
11. a.	Blue	Orange
b.	Pink	Yellow
12. a.	Blue	Yellow
b.	Pink	Orange