



**2022 USSCA SUNFISH  
NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA  
JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup>-18<sup>TH</sup>, 2022**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS  
THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY IS THE  
HYANNIS YACHT CLUB & THE UNITED STATES SUNFISH CLASS**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1** This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

**2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS OR RACE SCHEDULE**

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

**3 COMMUNICATIONS 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.

**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** When code flag 'AP' is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than sixty (60) Minutes' in **RRS Race Signals 'AP'**.

## **6 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

### **6.1 Wednesday, June 15, 2022**

1700 Practice Race

### **Thursday, June 16, 2022**

0900 Competitors meeting on lower patio

1100 First Warning

### **Friday, June 17, 2022**

1100 First Warning

### **Saturday, June 18, 2022**

1100 First Warning

1400 No Warning signal will be made after this time

***Awards Ceremony will be held as soon as possible at the conclusion of racing.***

**6.2** This series shall consist of a maximum of eleven (11) races. One completed race shall constitute a series.

## **7 CLASS FLAGS**

**7.1** The class flag is the Sunfish Class Flag.

## **8 RACE AREAS-See Appendix A Race Areas**

**8.1** Race Area #1 is south of the Hyannis Port Breakwater. Boats transitioning to and from Race Area #1 Boats shall follow the rule as posted in the Notice of Race, Section 1.3(c).

**See Appendix A Hyannis Harbor Shipping Channel Restrictions.**

**8.2** Race Area #2 is Lewis Bay, east of the Hyannis Yacht Club. Boats transitioning to and from Race Area #2 shall use caution and follow instructions from race committee and patrol boats to avoid shipping traffic.

**8.3** The race area for each day will be posted on the Notice Board by 0900 or in the case of postponement ashore, twenty (20) minutes before lowering of 'AP'.

## **9 COURSES**

**9.1** Courses will be as described in **Appendix B Course Sheet**.

**9.2** No later than the Warning Signal the race committee will display the course and approximate distance and bearing to Mark 1.

**9.3** It is the intention of the race committee to set an offset at Mark 1A except with Course T, a triangle.

## **10 MARKS**

**10.1** Orange inflatable tetrahedron mark will be used as a starting mark if a staff displaying an orange flag on a pin boat is not in place on the port end of the starting line.

Yellow inflatable tetrahedron marks will be used for Mark 1, Mark 2 and Mark 3.

Yellow inflatable tomato will be used for Mark 1A.

Orange inflatable tetrahedron mark will be used for the first change mark for Mark 1.

Pink inflatable mark will be used for the Finish Pin.

**11 START**

**11.1** Before the Warning Signal of the first race of the day each boat shall sail past the stern of the Signal Boat on starboard tack and verbally check-in. When the race committee verbally acknowledges a boat's sail number the check-in has been officially completed. Boats failing to properly check-in will be assessed a twenty (20) percent scoring penalty to their best score of the day applied as in **RRS44.3(c)**. This penalty will be applied without a hearing.

**This modifies RRS A5.**

**11.2** Races will be started using **RRS 26**.

**11.3** The starting line will be between the staff displaying the orange flag on the starboard end and the course side of either a staff displaying an orange flag on a pin boat or an orange inflatable tetrahedron mark.

**11.4** The race committee may set a small green tetrahedron buoy as a mid-line guide near the center of the starting line. This is neither a starting mark nor a mark of the course.

**11.5** A boat not starting within five (5) minutes of her starting signal shall be scored **Did Not Start (DNS)** by the race committee without a hearing. **This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2**

**12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

**12.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.

**12.2** If a change of course to Mark 1 is signaled the race committee will set an orange tetrahedron for Mark 1. If a subsequent change to Mark 1 is signaled Mark 1 will be a yellow tetrahedron. If a change of course to Mark 1 is signaled Mark 1A will not be set with the new mark.

**12.3** If there is a change of course signaled for either Mark 2 or Mark 3, they will remain the yellow tetrahedron(s).

**13 FINISH**

**13.1** The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag and the nearby pink inflatable mark.

**14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

**14.1** The US Sailing Prescription **Appendix V Alternative Penalties** shall apply.

**15 TIME LIMITS**

<b>15.1</b>	<b>Race Time Limit</b>	<b>Finishing Window</b>
	<b>75 minutes</b>	<b>15 minutes</b>

**16 HEARING REQUEST**

**16.1** The Protest Time Limit is sixty (60) minutes after the race committee signal boat docks. The docking time will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

**16.2** Hearing Request and Scoring Inquiry forms will be available at the Race Secretary Desk.

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

**16.4** Hearings will be held in the protest room located in the upper level of the Hyannis Yacht Club.

## **17 SCORING**

- 17.1** The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A2, shall apply.
- 17.2** The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored **Time Limit Expired (TLE)** without a hearing.  
**This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.**
- 17.2** Boats scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) will be scored points for finishing two (2) more than the last boat that finished within the finishing window. **This modifies RRS Appendix A, Section A4.**
- 17.3** When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **18 SAFETY**

- 18.1** [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 18.2** [DP] 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 and launching. **Noncompliance may result in a discretionary penalty as posted in Section 12.7 of the Notice of Race.**

## **19 REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT**

- 19.1** [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the official class measurer. Request for substitution shall be made to the class measurer at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

## **20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 20.1** A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules, Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions.
- 20.2** [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

## **21 TRASH DISPOSAL**

- 21.1** Trash may be placed aboard official race committee and support boats.

## **22 PRIZES**

- 22.1** Prizes will be given as follows:

### **NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP**

- (a) Top Ten Finishes
- (b) Highest placed Female Finisher (if top finisher is male) or the Highest placed Male Finisher (if top finisher is female)
- (c) Top Three Youth Finishers
- (d) Highest Placed Master
- (e) Highest Placed Grand Master
- (f) Alcott Sportsmanship Award
- (g) Additional special prizes may be awarded at the sole discretion of the Organizing Authority.

**23 RISK STATEMENT**

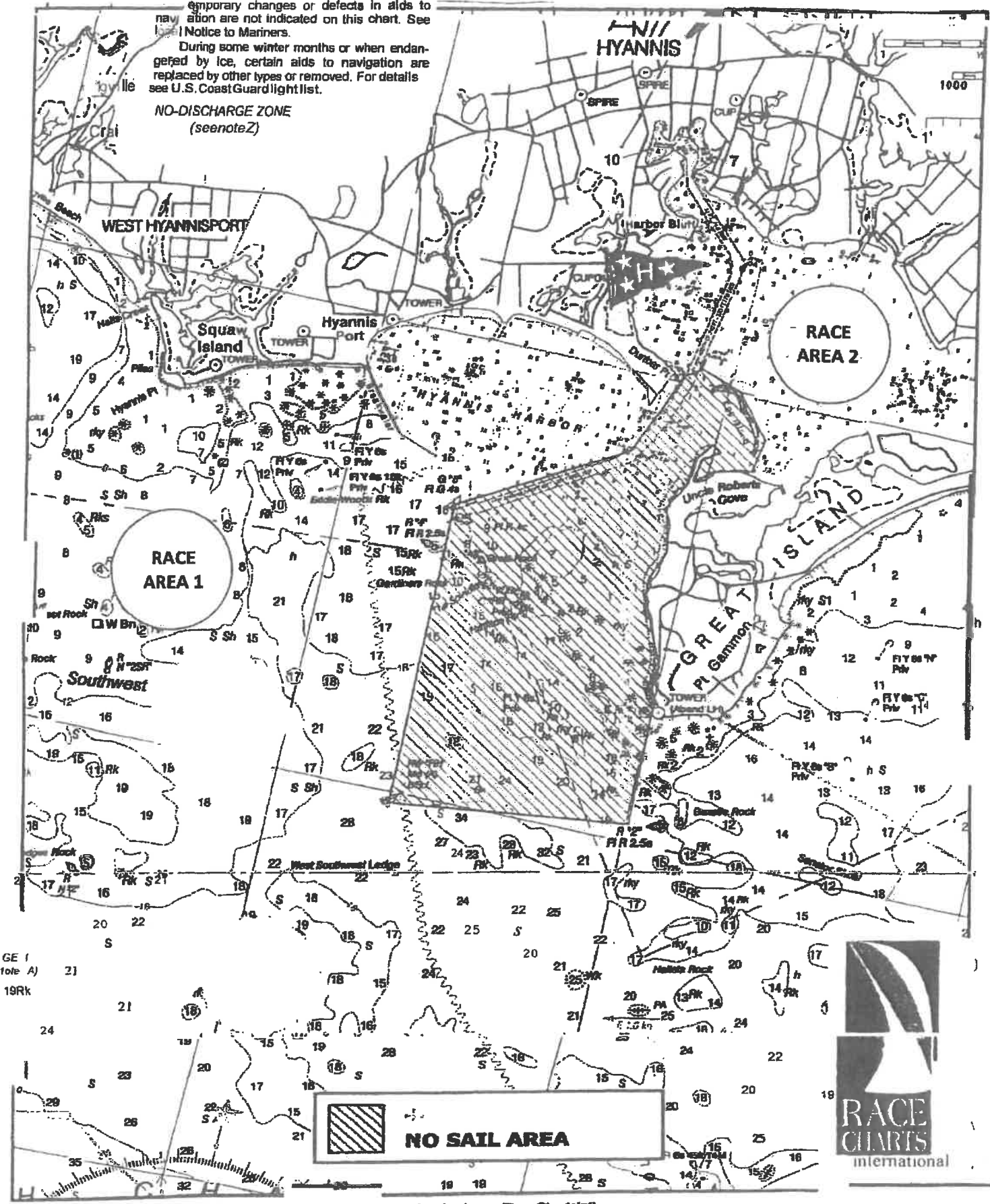
**23.1 RRS 3** states “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.” By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risk. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, hypothermia or other causes.

# APPENDIX "A"

## RACE AREAS

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Notice to Mariners.  
 During some winter months or when endangered by ice, certain aids to navigation are replaced by other types or removed. For details see U.S. Coast Guard light list.

**NO-DISCHARGE ZONE**  
 (see note Z)



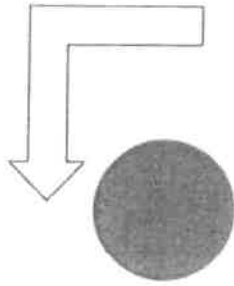
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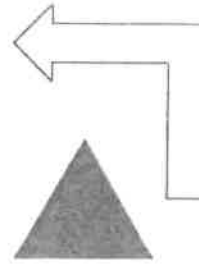
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COURSES

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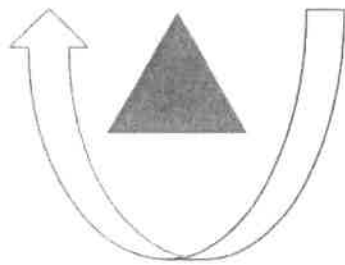
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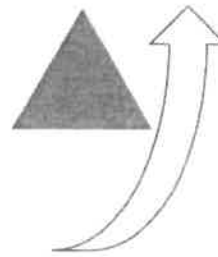
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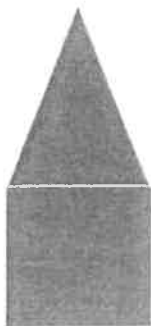
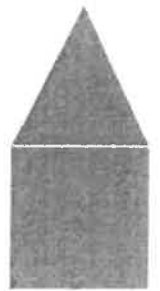
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MARK 3A



MARK 3B



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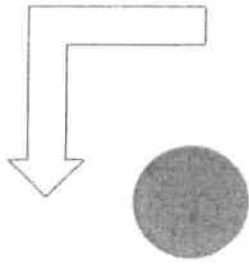
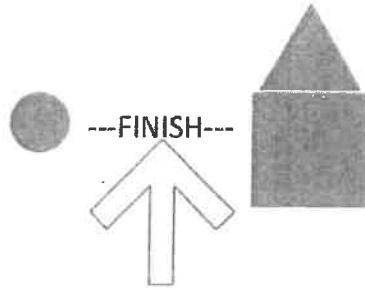


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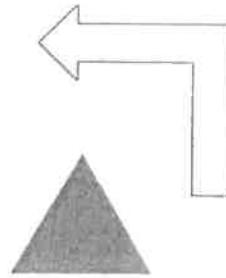
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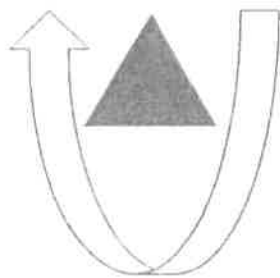
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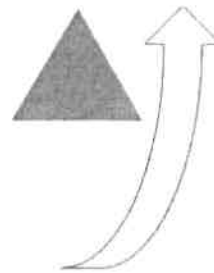
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MARK 1



MARK 3A



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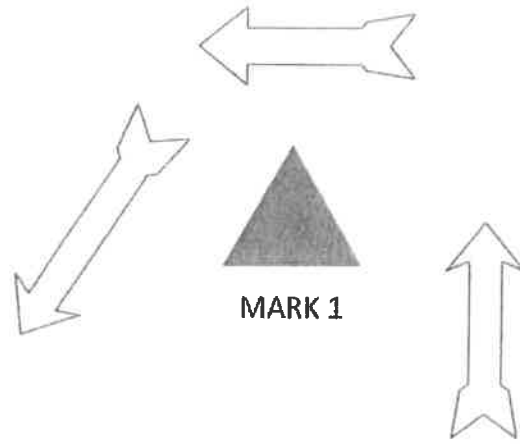
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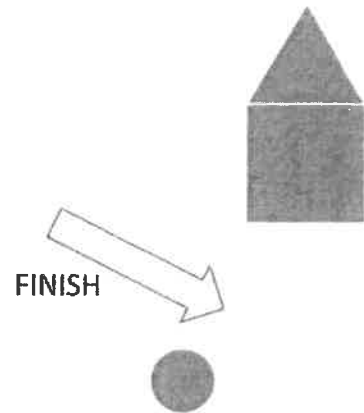
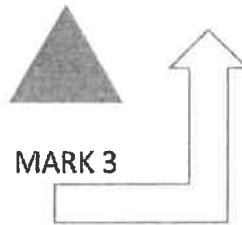
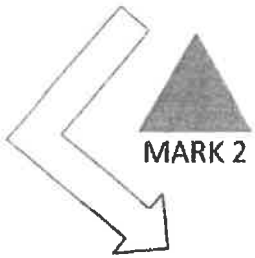
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