

**2022 James T. Liston Turkey Day Regatta
Nov 19 – 20, 2022**



Organizing Authority: The Houston Yacht Club, Shoreacres TX

DISTANCE LINE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- a. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2021-2024, the prescriptions of US Sailing, and all other rules that govern this event. By registering for the Regatta as skipper or crew, each participant agrees to be bound by the RRS, the prescriptions of US Sailing, and all other rules that govern the event.
- b. In case of conflict between the NOR and these SIs, the SIs will prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- a. Notices to Competitors will be posted on the HYC Race Information board ("Official Notice Board") located in the breezeway adjacent to the HYC offices. As a courtesy, Notices to Competitors may be communicated to competitors via the email address provided at registration or on-line at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25433>.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Any change to these SIs will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 0800 hours on the day it will take effect. Any change to the Schedule of Races will be posted on the Official Notice Board by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.
- b. As a courtesy, all changes to race documents may be communicated to competitors via the email address provided at registration and online at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25433>. If no email address was provided by the competitors at registration, it is up to the competitor to check the Official Notice Board.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- a. Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the signal staff on the lawn of The Houston Yacht Club.
- b. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" under the "Race Signals" AP section (RRS).
 - i. When flag AP over "1" pennant is displayed, the signal applies to the Dinghy Line.
 - ii. When flag AP over "2" pennant is displayed, the signal applies to the Distance Line.
 - iii. When flag AP over "3" pennant is displayed, the signal applies to the Windward/Leeward Line.

- iv. If no Numeral Pennant is displayed, the signal pertains to all lines.
This changes RRS Race Signals.

5. SCHEDULE

- a. The schedule will be as specified in the Notice of Race.

6. CLASS FLAGS

- a. Distance Spinnaker = Pink flag
- b. Distance Non-Spinnaker = Light blue flag

7. RACING AREA

- a. All classes will sail around designated marks in the area bounded by the Bayport Ship Channel to the south, Morgan's Point shoreline to the north, the Houston Ship Channel to the east and the La Porte / Shoreacres shoreline to the west. The racing area is shown in Attachment A.
- b. Boats shall not enter any Ship Channel. Ship Channels are designated as obstructions.

8. CHECK IN

- a. Prior to the warning signal on each day of racing, each boat shall check-in with, and be recognized by, the Race Committee (R/C) Signal Boat displaying the code Flag "L," by passing close astern, on starboard tack and hailing her sail number.
- b. Boats failing to check in will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This modifies RRS Appendix A5.

9. THE COURSES

- a. Courses are detailed in Illustration "A".
- b. No later than the warning signal, the race committee will designate the course to be sailed by flying a numeric flag (1 – 6). See Illustration A.

10. MARKS

- a. Marks will be the Start / Finish line (in the vicinity of the Judge's Stand), the High Range mark, and two floating yellow tetrahedrons.
- b. There will be a floating yellow tetrahedron off Morgan's Point located at **29° 39.833'N 94° 58.919'W**
- c. There will be a floating yellow tetrahedron off Sylvan Beach located at **29° 38.839'N 95° 00.114'W**

11. THE START

- a. The Distance Line will have a Rule 26 start.
- b. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat and the course side of a floating colored ball.
- c. GPS time governs. Any OCS boats have the option of returning to the start line and restarting or shall take the penalty as shown in the table below. The penalty will be assessed at scoring. This changes RRS 29.1, Appendix A.

OCS by:	Penalty
0 to 10 seconds early	Penalty of 30 seconds
10 to 30 seconds early	Penalty of 1 minute

30 to 1 min. early	Penalty of 3 minutes
1 min to 2 min. early	Penalty of 10 minutes
More than 2 min. early	Did Not Start

- d. The Race Committee may elect to trail a line (not to exceed 30') attached to a floating object behind the Race Committee boat or elect to attach a buoy to the boat's anchor marking the anchor and the anchor rode (of up to approximately 50'). The floating object and its line shall be part of the Race Committee boat and hitting the floating object or running over the line shall be treated as hitting the Race Committee boat.

12. RECALLS

- a. Recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.
- b. As a courtesy, the Race Committee will attempt to hail boats "On Course Side" (OCS) as soon as possible after the start. The Race Committee may use VHF radios or loud hailer.
- c. The failure of electronic equipment, failure to hear a hail, order of hail, or delay in hailing will not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1(a).

13. THE FINISH

- a. The Finish Line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a Race Committee boat and the course side of a floating colored ball.
- b. The Race Committee will record finish times.

14. TIME LIMITS

- a. The time limit is 210 minutes from the first boat's start.
- b. Boats failing to finish the "Finishing Window" after the first boat in its class starts, sails the course, and finishes, will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). The points awarded for boats scored DNF will be equal to the number of boats starting the race plus 2. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.
- c. Failure to meet any time limit(s) in this SI #13 will NOT be grounds for request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- d. If no boat in a class has finished within the Race Time Limit, the race for that boat class shall be abandoned.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- a. Intent to protest shall be signaled in accordance with RRS 61.1. The protesting boat shall also notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity and be acknowledged before leaving the finish area. This changes RRS 61.1.
- b. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be written on forms available at the office of the Houston Yacht Club and delivered there within sixty (60) minutes following the arrival in the harbor of the Race Committee boat for the racing line involved. This time will be posted on the Official Notice Board. This changes RRS Appendix S13.2.

- c. The times and locations of the protest hearings, along with the names of the boats involved, will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than thirty (30) minutes after the protest time period. As a courtesy, competitors may be notified of the protest hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses by telephone or text at the telephone number provided by the competitor at registration.
- d. For the purpose of meeting obligations under US Sailing prescriptions concerning redress, notification of a redress hearing shall be by posting on the Official Notice Board for thirty (30) minutes. The requirement for written requests for attendance at the redress hearing will be satisfied by a signup sheet at the official protest table located at the HYC clubhouse lobby. No more than one person per boat may attend. No request for reopening a hearing will be accepted after 6 p.m. November 20, 2022. This changes RRS Appendix S13.1 and RRS 62.2.

16. SCORING

- a. Scoring system of Appendix A shall apply.
- b. One race shall be completed to constitute a series.
- c. No scores will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.

17. SAFETY

- a. Any boat that has checked in, and then withdraws before finishing the race, shall notify the Race Committee on the water, or, if that is not possible, The Houston Yacht Club office by telephone: 281-471-1255. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in a score of Did Not Finish (DNF).
- b. Boats shall not discharge trash into the water.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

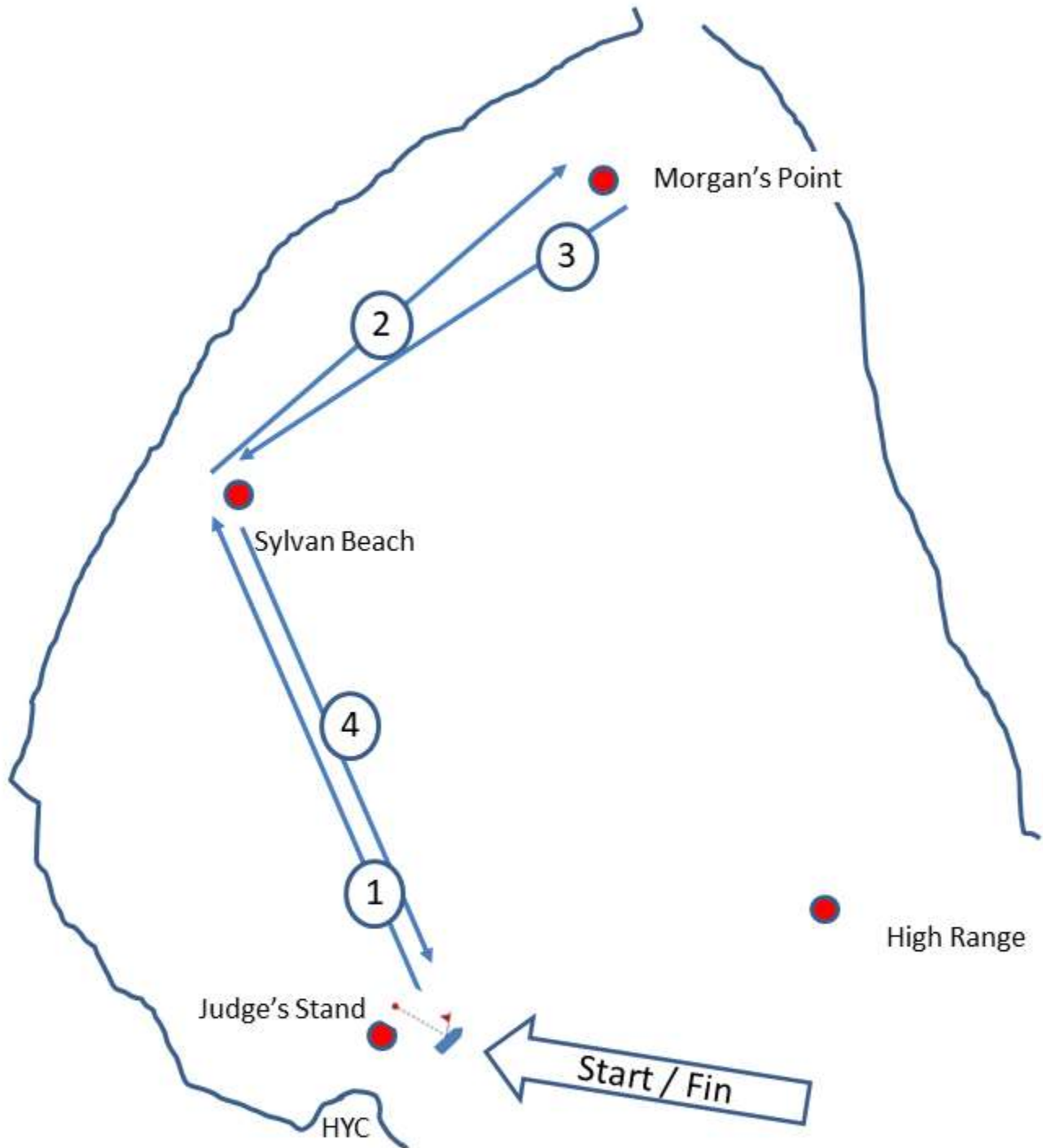
- a. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept liability for any damage, personal injury or death sustained in connection with, prior to, during, or after this regatta.

19. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Except in an emergency that threatens the safety or life and/or property, or to announce withdrawal from the race, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions on VHF radio and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- b. The Race Committee will attempt to monitor VHF Channel 72 and may use VHF radio to hail premature starters and the abandonment of races.

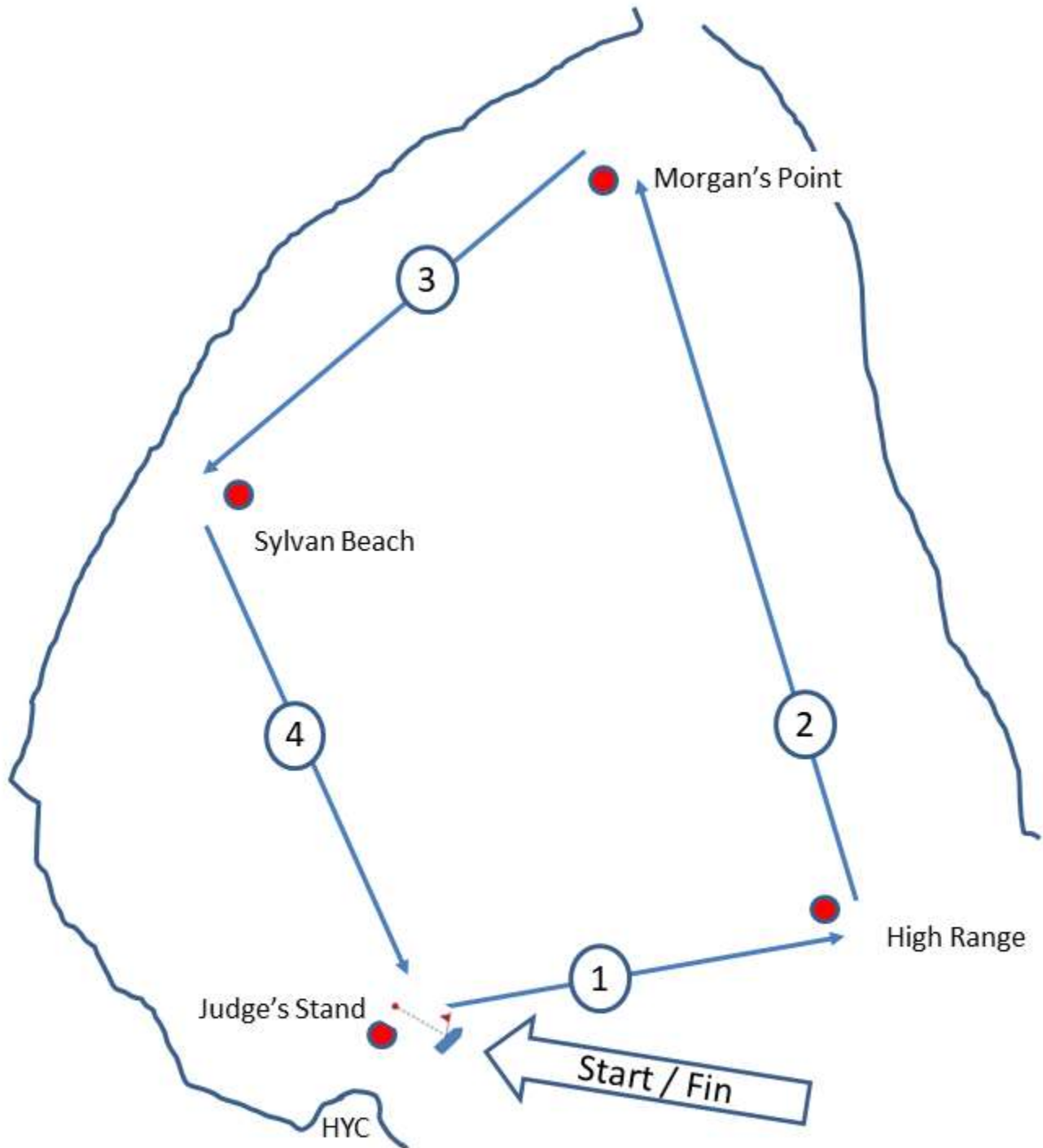
ILLUSTRATION "A"

Course 1



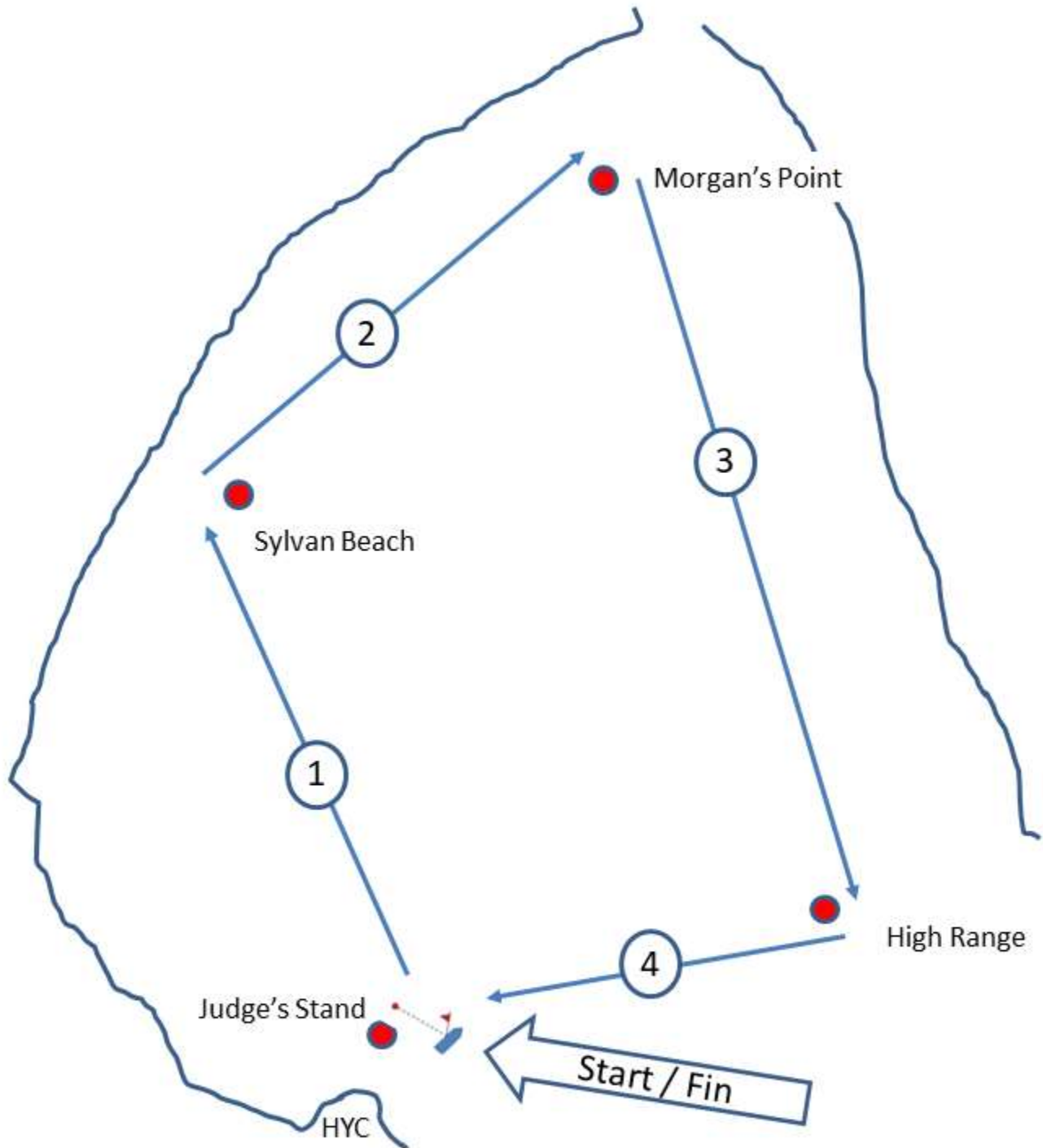
COURSE 1: 5.8 NM										
Leg	Lat	Long	Between		Lat	Long	NM	Bearing	Leave mark to..	
	START - is in the vicinity of the Judge's Stand									
1	29° 37.367'N	94° 59.726'W	Start / Finish	and Sylvan Beach	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	1.5	345°	Stbd.	
2	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	Sylvan Beach	and Morgan's Point	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	1.4	045°	Stbd.	
3	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	Morgan's Point	and Sylvan Beach	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	1.4	225°	Port	
4	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	Sylvan Beach	and Start / Finish	29° 37.367'N	94° 59.726'W	1.5	165°	Stbd.	
FINISH - is in the vicinity of the Judge's Stand							5.8			

ILLUSTRATION "A" Course 2



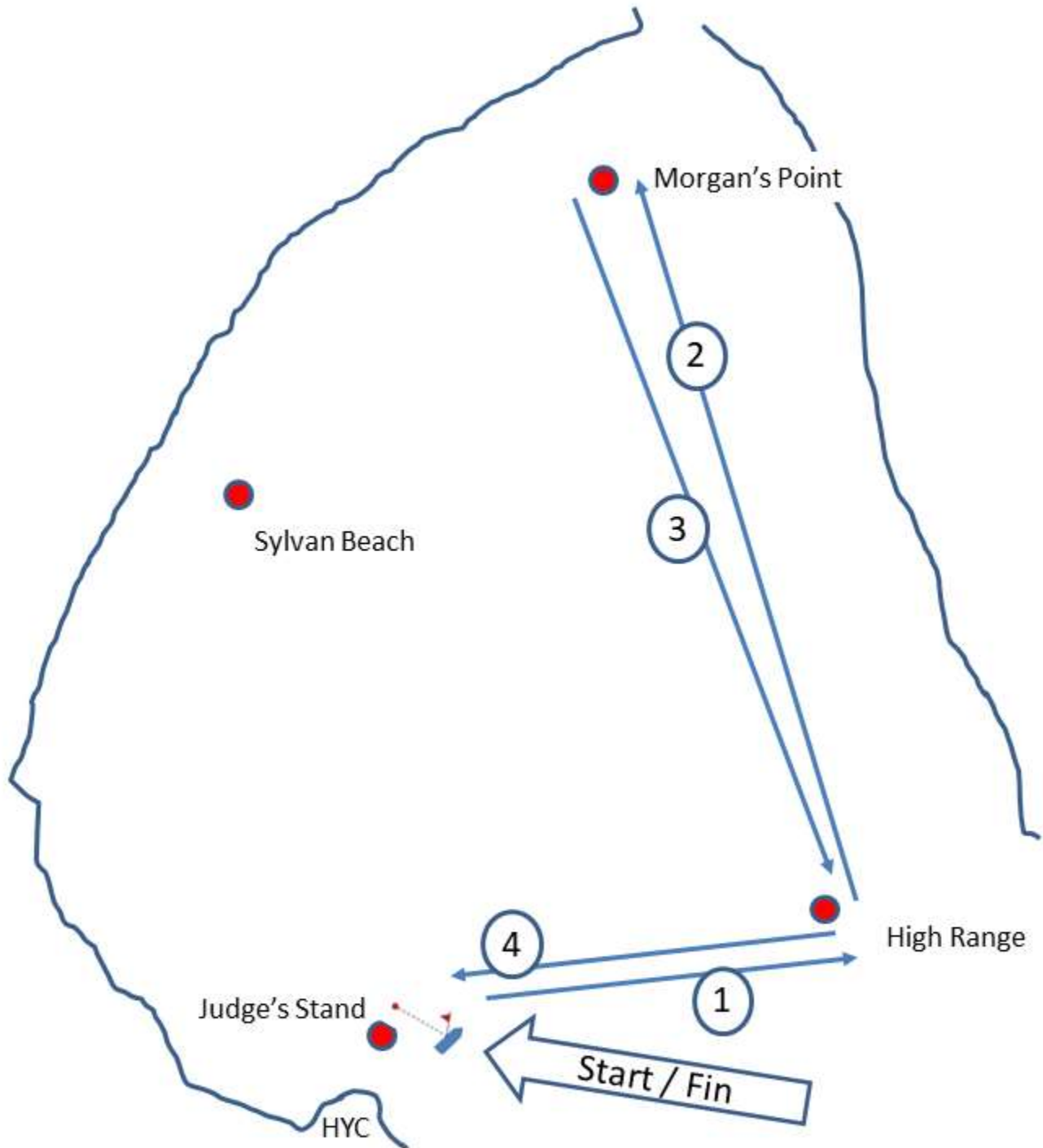
COURSE 2: 6.4 NM										
Leg	Lat	Long	Between		Lat	Long	NM	Bearing	Leave mark to..	
START - is in the vicinity of the Judge's Stand										
1	29° 37.367'N	94° 59.726'W	Start / Finish	and High Range	29° 37.790'N	94° 58.214'W	1.4	070°	Port	
2	29° 37.790'N	94° 58.214'W	High Range	and Morgan's Point	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	2.1	340°	Port	
3	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	Morgan's Point	and Sylvan Beach	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	1.4	225°	Port	
4	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	Sylvan Beach	and Start / Finish	29° 37.367'N	94° 59.726'W	1.5	165°	Stbd.	
FINISH - is in the vicinity of the Judge's Stand							6.4			

ILLUSTRATION "A" Course 3



COURSE 3: 6.4 NM									
Leg	Lat	Long	Between		Lat	Long	NM	Bearing	Leave mark to..
START - is in the vicinity of the Judge's Stand									
1	29° 37.367'N	94° 59.726'W	Start / Finish	and Sylvan Beach	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	1.5	345°	Stbd.
2	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	Sylvan Beach	and Morgan's Point	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	1.4	045°	Stbd.
3	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	Morgan's Point	and High Range	29° 37.790'N	94° 58.214'W	2.1	160°	Stbd.
4	29° 37.790'N	94° 58.214'W	High Range	and Start / Finish	29° 37.367'N	94° 59.726'W	1.4	250°	Stbd.
FINISH - is in the vicinity of the Judge's Stand							6.4		

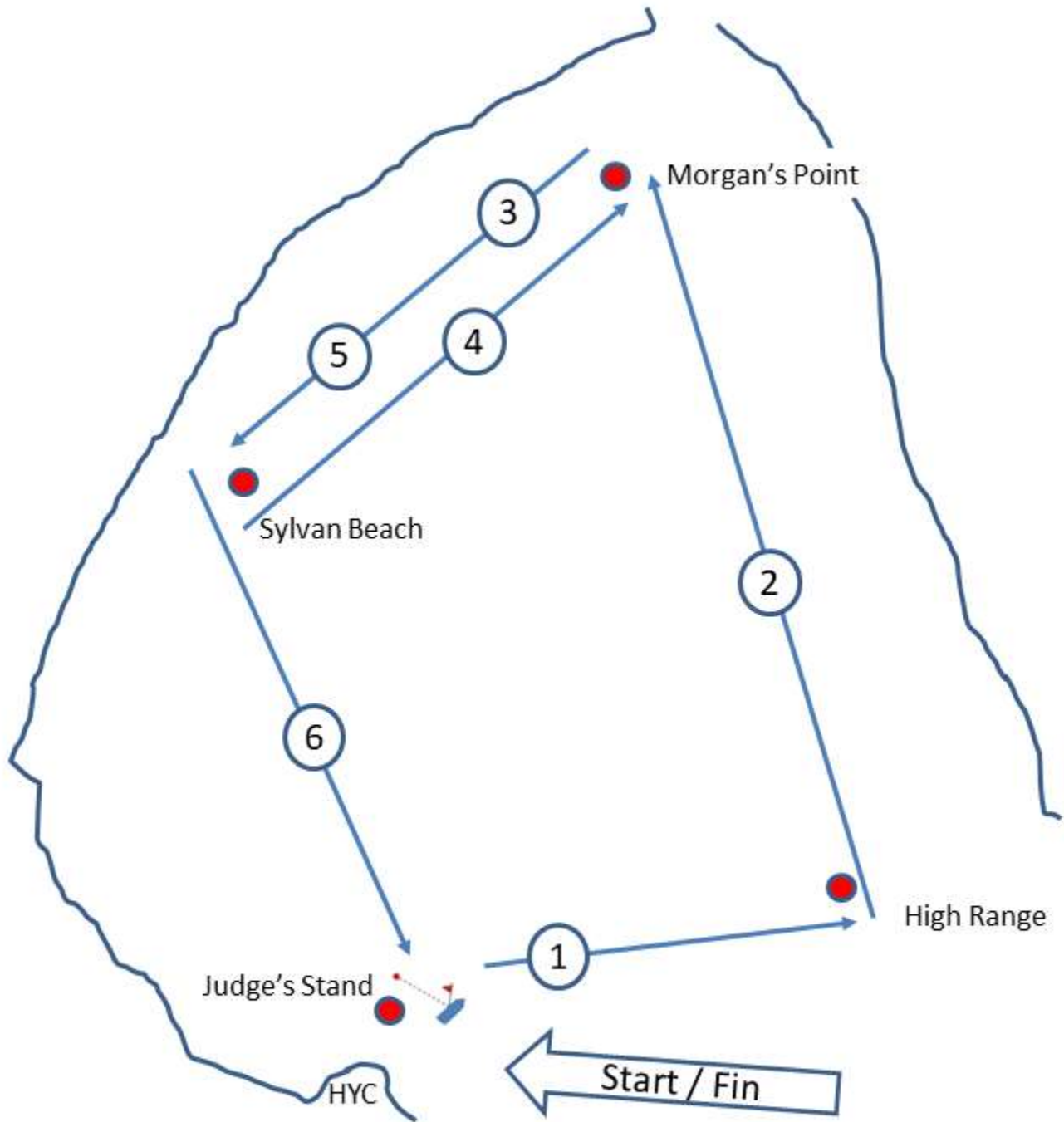
ILLUSTRATION "A" Course 4



COURSE 4: 7.0 NM											
Leg		Lat	Long	Between		Lat	Long	NM	Bearing	Leave mark to..	
START - is in the vicinity of the Judge's Stand											
1	1	29° 37.367'N	94° 59.726'W	Start / Finish	and	High Range	29° 37.790'N 94° 58.214'W	1.4	070°	Port	
2	8	29° 37.790'N	94° 58.214'W	High Range	and	Morgan's Point	29° 39.833'N 94° 58.919'W	2.1	340°	Port	
3	4	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	Morgan's Point	and	High Range	29° 37.790'N 94° 58.214'W	2.1	160°	Stbd.	
4	7	29° 37.790'N	94° 58.214'W	High Range	and	Start / Finish	29° 37.367'N 94° 59.726'W	1.4	250°	Stbd.	
FINISH - is in the vicinity of the Judge's Stand								7.0			

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Course 5

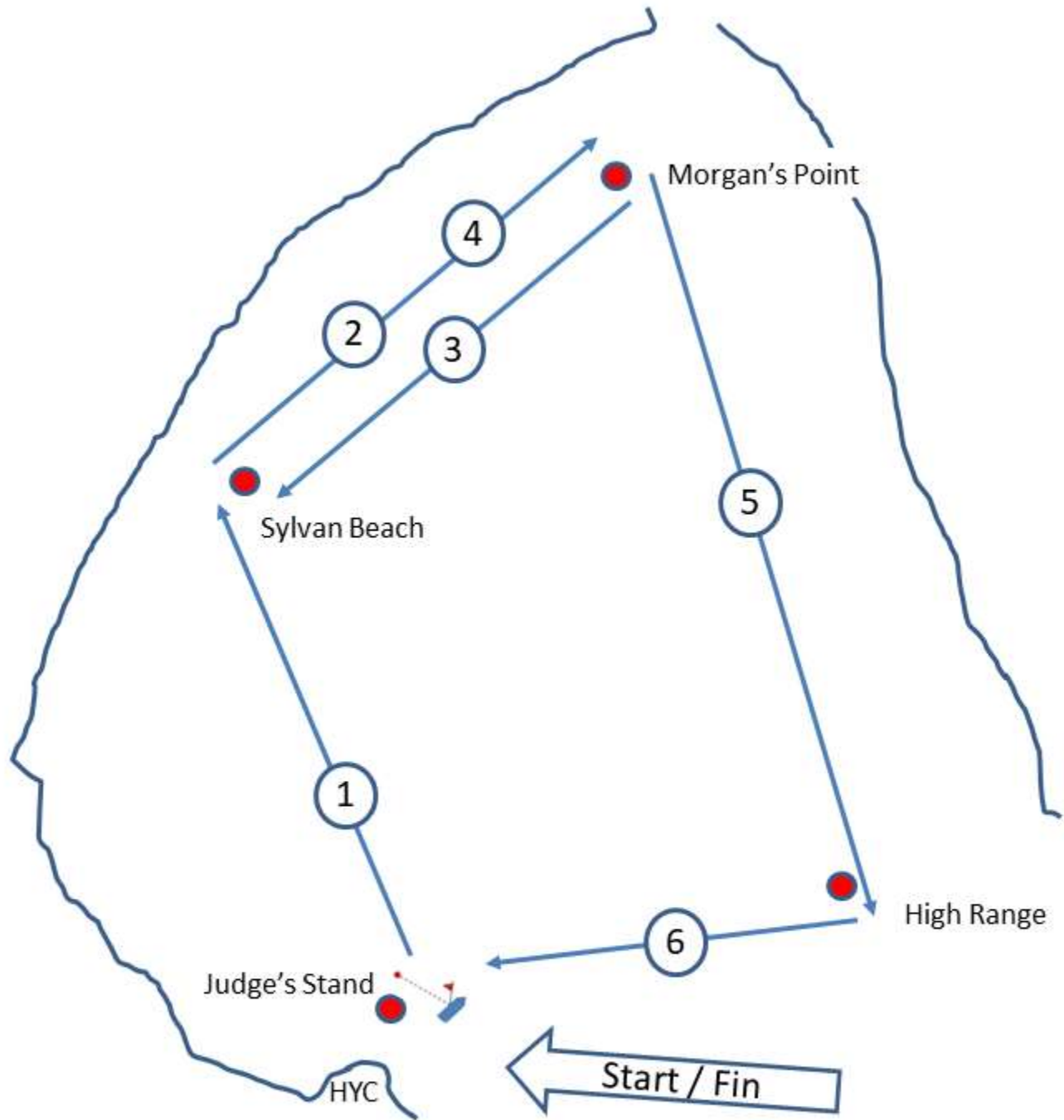


COURSE 5: 9.2 NM

Leg	Lat	Long	Between	Lat	Long	NM	Bearing	Leave mark to..
START - is in the vicinity of the Judge's Stand								
1	29° 37.367'N	94° 59.726'W	Start / Finish and High Range	29° 37.790'N	94° 58.214'W	1.4	070°	Port
2	29° 37.790'N	94° 58.214'W	High Range and Morgan's Point	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	2.1	340°	Port
3	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	Morgan's Point and Sylvan Beach	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	1.4	225°	Port
4	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	Sylvan Beach and Morgan's Point	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	1.4	045°	Port
5	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	Morgan's Point and Sylvan Beach	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	1.4	225°	Port
6	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	Sylvan Beach and Start / Finish	29° 37.367'N	94° 59.726'W	1.5	165°	Stbd.
FINISH - is in the vicinity of the Judge's Stand							9.2	

ILLUSTRATION "A"

Course 6



COURSE 6: 9.2 NM										
Leg	Lat	Long	Between		Lat	Long	NM	Bearing	Leave mark to..	
START - is in the vicinity of the Judge's Stand										
1	29° 37.367'N	94° 59.726'W	Start / Finish	and Sylvan Beach	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	1.5	345°	Stbd.	
2	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	Sylvan Beach	and Morgan's Point	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	1.4	045°	Stbd.	
3	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	Morgan's Point	and Sylvan Beach	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	1.4	225°	Stbd.	
4	29° 38.839'N	95° 00.114'W	Sylvan Beach	and Morgan's Point	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	1.4	045°	Stbd.	
5	29° 39.833'N	94° 58.919'W	Morgan's Point	and High Range	29° 37.790'N	94° 58.214'W	2.1	160°	Stbd.	
6	29° 37.790'N	94° 58.214'W	High Range	and Start / Finish	29° 37.367'N	94° 59.726'W	1.4	250°	Stbd.	
FINISH - is in the vicinity of the Judge's Stand							9.2			