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**2023 Rhodes 19 East Coast Championship
Saturday, June 24 – Sunday, June 25 2023
Organizing Authority: Hingham and Hull Yacht Clubs**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Rhodes 19 Class Rules as defined in THE RULEBOOK for the Rhodes 19 Class Association and its amendments.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on Regattaman before 9:00 am on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 8:00 pm on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on Regattaman. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and make courtesy broadcasts with competitors on VHF radio channel 68. The Rhodes 19 Class Rule RC 27.00 is changed as follows: Each boat shall carry an operable VHF radio.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the yardarm of the flagpole of the Hingham and Hull Yacht Clubs.

4.2 When Code Flag “AP”, Answering Pennant, is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 45 minutes” in the race signal AP.



5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Dates of Racing: **Saturday, June 24, 2023 and Sunday, June 25, 2023.**

Registration, Friday, June 23: 5:00pm – 7:00pm; Hingham or Hull Yacht Club; depending on where your boat is moored.

Registration, Saturday, June 24, 8:00am-10:00am; Hingham or Hull Yacht Club; depending on where your boat is moored.

Skippers Meeting, Saturday, June 24, 2023 10:00am at the Hingham Yacht Club. Competitors can optionally attend via a zoom meeting broadcast at the Hull Yacht Club.

Date	Times
Saturday, June 24,2023 Skippers Meeting	10:00 am Skippers meeting at the Hingham Yacht Club. Competitors can optionally attend via a zoom meeting broadcast at the Hull Yacht Club.
Saturday, June 24,2023 Race Day 1 and Dinner	Warning Signal for Saturday’s races will be no earlier than 12:00pm. Fleet camaraderie and dinner will be at the Hull Yacht Club starting at approximately 6:00pm.
Sunday, June 25, 2023 Race Day 2 and Awards	Warning Signal for Sunday’s races will be no earlier than 11:00am. On Sunday there will be no warning signal after 2:00pm. Awards and refreshments at the Hingham Yacht Club approximately 4:00pm.

6. CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the Rhodes 19 class flag.

7. RACING AREA

The racing area is on Hingham and Hull Bay bordered to the North and East by the Hull Peninsula, Bumpkin Island to the South and bordered to the West by the marked channel between Hull Gut and Bumpkin Island.

8. THE COURSES

The course patterns are defined in Appendix A.



9. MARKS

9.1 All course marks and offset marks will be orange tetrahedrons.

9.2 The starboard end starting mark will be a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat. The port end will be a staff displaying an orange flag on an anchored race committee vessel (the pin boat).

9.3 Offset Mark: an offset mark (orange tetrahedron) will be used in conjunction with the windward mark. Boats shall pass the windward mark to port and then pass the offset mark to port. The offset mark must be honored at each rounding of the windward mark.

9.4 Leeward Gates: If a gate mark is missing, the remaining mark is to be rounded to port.

9.5 The finishing marks will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat at one end of the finishing line and a staff displaying an orange flag on a nearby anchored race committee vessel or an orange tetrahedron.

10. THE START

10.1 Checking In - Before the warning signal of her first race each day, each boat shall sail, preferably on starboard tack, past the stern of the Race Committee signal boat and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee repeating the boat's sail number. A boat failing to do so shall receive a 20% scoring penalty for the first race in which it competes on that day, as described in Rule 44.3(c). This changes Rules A4 and A5.

10.2 Races will be started in accordance with rule 26.

10.3 For the second and subsequent race(s) of the day, or after a postponement, a short series of signals may be sounded before the warning signal is made.

10.4 Wind limits – Races shall not be started if the windspeed is consistently below 4 MPH or over 23 MPH as determined by the Principal Race Officer. This decision will not be considered “an improper action or omission of the race committee” and will not be grounds for redress.

10.5 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and a staff displaying an orange flag on an anchored race committee vessel (the pin boat).



10.6 A boat starting more than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes Rule A4.

10.7 Rule 62.1(a) will be changed such that the lack of a hail from the race committee for an individual recall, or timeliness of the hail, or the failure of the boat to hear the hail, or a boat's position in the sequence of hailed numbers, shall not constitute grounds for redress.

11. CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

If a course needs to be changed, marks may be moved to maintain course configuration provided no boats are sailing on the leg of the course bounded by the mark(s) to be moved. No signal will be required. This changes RRS 33.

12. THE FINISH

The finishing marks will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat at one end of the finishing line and a staff displaying an orange flag on a nearby anchored race committee vessel or an orange tetrahedron.

13. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

13.1 If the first boat does not round Mark 1 within 30 minutes, or the first boat to finish does not finish within 120 minutes, the race shall be abandoned.

13.2 Boats still racing more than 30 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored "Time Limit Expired" (TLE) and will be scored two more points than the last boat finishing. This modifies RRS 35.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the Race Committee boat has docked. This time will be posted on the official notice board, Regattaman.

14.2 Protest forms are available at the Hingham and Hull Yacht Clubs.

14.3 Protest hearings will be conducted at the Hingham Yacht Club.

14.4 Protest notices will be posted on Regattaman within 15 minutes of the protest Time Limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses. This posting shall constitute the notification required by RRS 63.2 and RRS 61.1(b).

14.5 Protest forms may be filed in-person at the Hingham Yacht Club or may be filed electronically within the protest time limit via email or text with the Jury Secretary, Dar Collins at the following:



Text:617-827-8109;

Email: industrialtech@comcast.net

15. PENALTIES

15.1 Taking a Penalty

- a) Appendix V1 applies, which states: “The first two sentences of Rule 44 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.”
- b) Appendix T and V2 apply, except that a penalty taken prior to arbitration shall be 20%. This changes rule V2.

16. SCORING

The Low Point Scoring system, RRS Appendix A4, will apply. Appendix A2 is changed so that each boat’s series score will be a total score for the series, excluding her worst score if four (4) or more races have been completed. A maximum of eight (8) races are scheduled. A minimum of three (3) races must be completed to constitute a regatta.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible. Failure to do so may result in a penalty.

Competitors are required to adhere to **Section E - REQUIRED EQUIPMENT WHILE RACING** as contained in the R19 Class Association Rulebook as follows:

ARTICLE XXXII – EQUIPMENT

RE 32.00 All equipment listed below shall be carried in every race:

RE 32.01 4-pound Danforth anchor or equivalent.

RE 32.02 Anchor line 100 feet long of 1/4” nylon or equivalent.

RE 32.03 Serviceable life preserver for each person aboard.

RE 32.04 Foghorn.

RE 32.05 Marine compass. Electronic compasses or other electronic devices capable of providing tactical or navigational information, or any information other than or in addition to, real-time direction, are prohibited. Separate, unlinked, timing devices are permitted.



RE 32.06 10 quart non-collapsible bucket.

18. REPLACEMENT OF CREW

Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without a prior written request being approved by the Jury.

19. EQUIPMENT CHECKS AND MEASUREMENT

All boats shall conform to the Class By-Laws and the Class Rules as prescribed by Rhodes 19 Class By-Law Article XV, Section B 15.0. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and Sailing Instructions.

20. OFFICIAL VESSELS

Mark boats will display a yellow Race Committee flag. The Signal Vessel will display a blue Race Committee flag. The Judges will display a blue and white Judge flag.

21. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Competing boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to terms of prior written permission from the Jury. In the event of severe weather this rule may be waived at any time by a notice posted on Regattaman, signed by the Principal Race Officer.

22. BERTHING AND TRAILER STORAGE

Trailers belonging to visiting boats may be stored at the Hingham or Hull Yacht Clubs in the designated locations.

23. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded for the first three places in the regatta.

24. RISK

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 RISKS. 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 THE RISK OF PERMANENT, CATASTROPHIC INJURY OR DEATH BY DROWNING, TRAUMA, HYPOTHERMIA OR OTHER CAUSES.

25. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance sufficient to cover liability for loss, damage, personal injury or death.

26. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

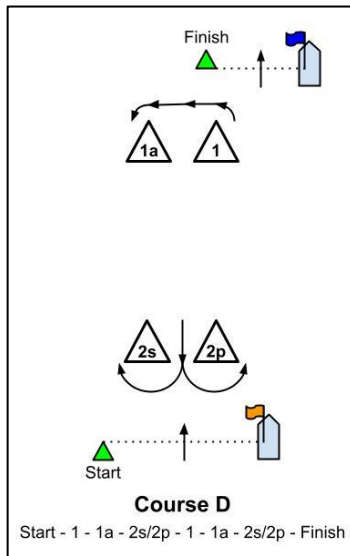
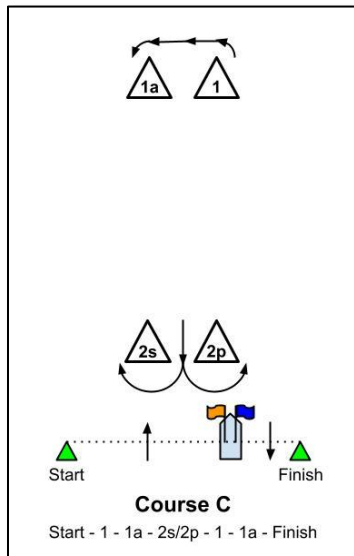
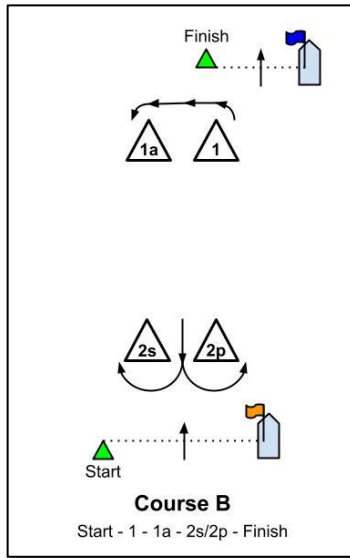
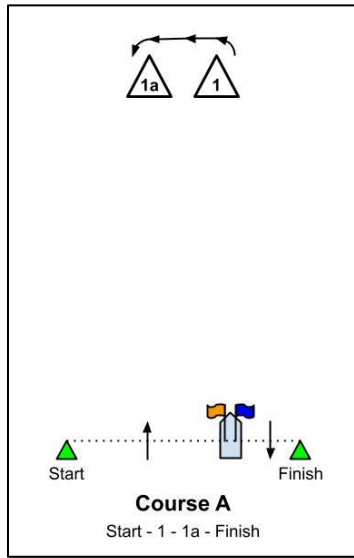
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

27. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Fleet 46 Co-Captains Tod Riedel 617-543-5262 (Hull YC), or Dave Nelson at 508-446-4053 (Hingham YC).

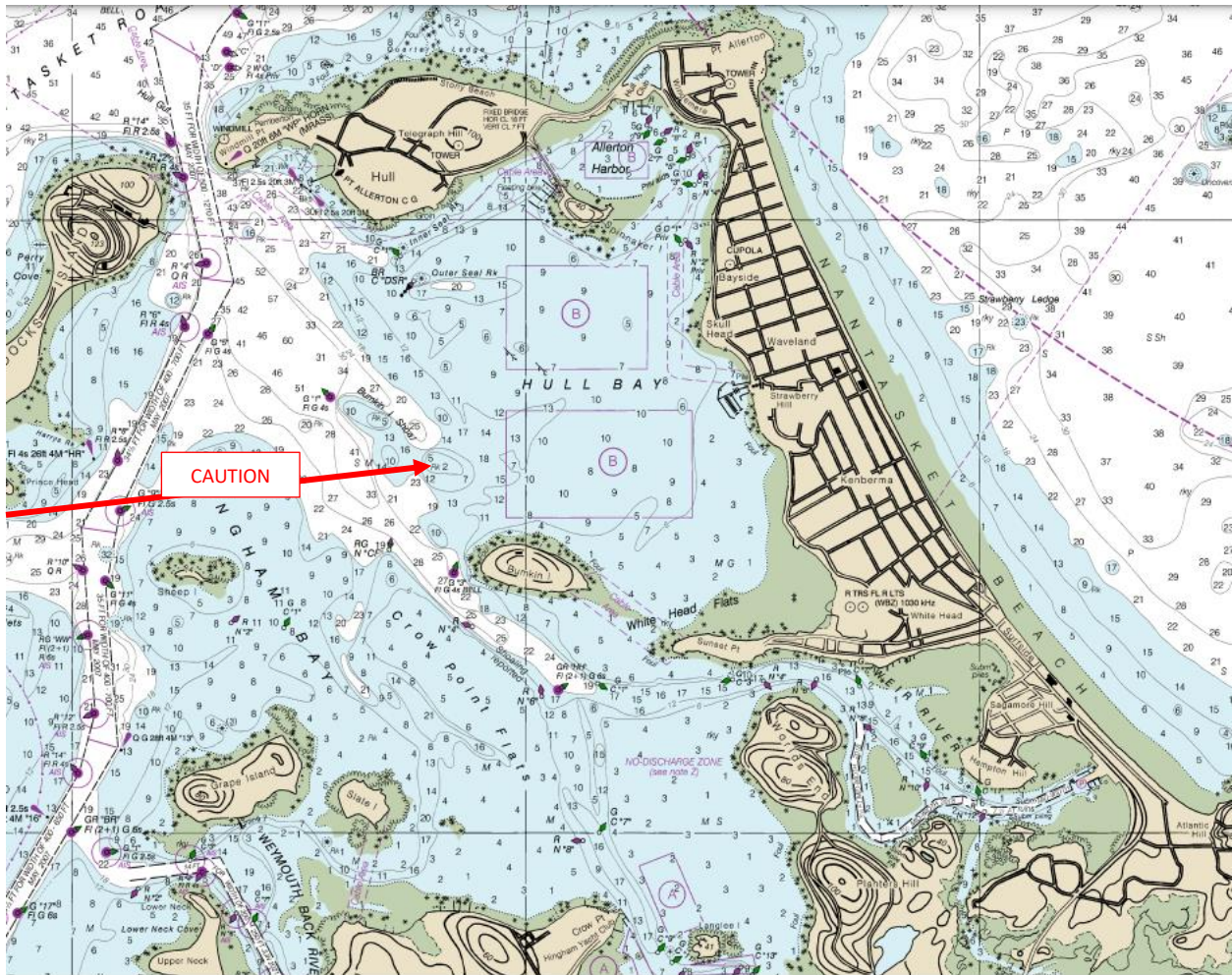


Appendix A – Course Diagrams





Area Chart



CAUTION: Sailors are advised of a submerged rock located approximately halfway between NNW shore of Bumkin Island and G "1" at Bumkin Island Shoal (above).