



NOTICE OF RACE

HOBIE 16 | LASER | MELGES 15 REGATTA

AUGUST 19, 2026

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY (OA)

Nantucket Race Week, L.L.C.

Regatta website www.nantucketraceweek.org

HOSTS

The Nantucket Yacht Club (NYC), Great Harbor Yacht Club (GHYC), Nantucket Community Sailing (NCS), and the Nantucket Race Week Committee (NRW).

Nantucket Race Week merchandise and gear is available for customization and order online at the [NCS Store](#) and can be picked up daily during Nantucket Race Week, or prior by arrangement, at the Nantucket Community Sailing office at 4 Winter Street.

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1. RULES

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined by *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. US Sailing Prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3. *Appendix V1*, PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT will apply.
- 1.4. *Appendix T*, ARBITRATION may be available. If so, it will be noted on the Official Notice Board on the morning of each race day.
- 1.5. Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: “(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or”
- 1.6. With respect to the Laser-style and Melges 15 classes, all NYC Policies and Protocols, and local Nantucket fleet rules as published on the NYC official sailing notice board will apply.
- 1.7. With respect to the Hobie 16 class, all Royal Nantucket Yacht Squadron (“RNYC”) Policies and Protocols, and local Nantucket fleet rules as communicated through the standard RNYC channels will apply.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the [Official Notice Board](#) no later than Friday, August 8, 2025.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. Except as provided in NOR 3.2 below, the Official Notice Board is online at [HERE](https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu/50739) (<https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu/50739>).
- 3.2. For protest time limits, scoring inquiries, requests for redress, or Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee, the Official Notice Board shall be a physical notice board located at the Nantucket Yacht Club.
- 3.3. For the Hobie 16 class only, notices communicated verbally at Jetties Beach on the morning of the regatta shall be considered Official Notices.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the following classes: Hobie 16 Catamarans, Melges 15 and Laser-style boats.
- 4.2. To be eligible for NRW prizes, boats must register online and pay the registration fee of \$50, which can be placed on your yacht club account, or on the regatta registration page [HERE](#). \$25 of the registration fee is a tax-deductible charitable donation to Nantucket Community Sailing, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.
- 4.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form online (click on the Sailing tab) by **Friday, August 7 at 1800**.
- 4.4. The Organizing Authority reserves the right to accept late entries.
- 4.5. Membership in US Sailing is encouraged.

5. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and provided by the OA.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. The Regatta will be sailed on Sunday, August 9, 2026. In the event of inclement weather, the Organizing Authority will attempt to reschedule racing to a date later in the week..
- 6.2. Check-in will be on the water with the Signal Boat prior to the first warning signal.
- 6.3. There will be no competitors meeting.



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- 6.4. The first warning signal will be 1230.
- 6.5. Multiple races are scheduled.
- 6.6. Awards location to be announced prior to the Regatta.

7. DIVISIONS

If three or more boats of either Laser/ILCA 7, Laser Radial/ILCA 6 or Laser 4.7/ILCA 4 register, they will be scored as their own Division. Otherwise, all Laser-style boats will sail as a single division.

8. VENUE

The racing area will be on the East side of the East Jetty (outside the “Cut”), and will be shown in the Sailing Instructions.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1. As stated above, *Appendix V1*, PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT will apply.
- 9.2. The protest committee may impose penalties less than disqualification, for violation of the class rules and racing rules other than those of RRS Part 1 and Part 2. The notation “[DP]” in a rule in this Notice of Race or in the Sailing Instructions means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. One completed race constitutes a regatta.
- 10.2. When five or more races are completed, one worst score will be excluded from that boat’s series score, as permitted under RRS 90.3(b).
- 10.3. Results will be posted on the [event website](#) following the regatta.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1. First, second, and third place overall prizes may be awarded for each Class.
- 11.2. The top-performing skipper in a one-design fleet during Nantucket Race Week will also receive a special prize.

12. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate and valid third-party liability insurance.

13. CLEAN REGATTA

Nantucket Race Week is committed to maintaining Nantucket’s clean waters and shores, and is certified by Sailors for the Sea as a gold-level Clean Regatta. All NRW participants are encouraged to follow the goals and requirements of the Clean Regatta Program.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 14.1. 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, Nantucket Race Week L.L.C., the Nantucket Yacht Club, Great Harbor Yacht Club, Nantucket Community Sailing, Race Committee, Protest Committee, Technical Committee, volunteers, sponsors, agents, employees, or any other organization or official providing services at the request of any of the foregoing in connection with the events will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property, or the injury, disease or illness to any person sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event,



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each competitor (owners, skippers, crews and support persons) agrees to release the race organizers and all persons and groups listed above from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

- 14.2. 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.**

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

Nantucket Community Sailing

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