



Sagamore Yacht Club

2026 Race to Dinner (at Seawanhaka Corinthian YC)

Saturday, August 15th

NOTICE OF RACE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES... yes, there are some rules to race to the bar!

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the 2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements, USSER 2025.2, Category Nearshore:
<https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/US-SER-2025.2-Nearshore-Mono.pdf>
- 1.2 USSER requirements 1.7, 2.5.3, and 3.19.1 do not apply.
- 1.3 Per USSER 2025.2 requirement 3.8.3, each boat racing must carry a working VHF radio, regardless of any class rule.
- 1.4 Each boat racing must monitor VHF 78A from 10 minutes prior to the warning signal for the first boat that starts until the end of their race. The race committee intends to use VHF channel 78A, for check-in, to signal courses and course changes, to broadcast courtesy information to competitors (including coaching boats on when to start), and for other communications as designated herein. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1(a).
- 1.5 This race features a pursuit course with a reverse start. Slowest boat starts first with subsequent starts times based upon difference in handicap. First boat over the finish line wins, unless adjustments are needed due to a modified course or late entry that is not properly handicapped.
- 1.6 RRS 26 is replaced by SI 8.
- 1.7 RRS 61.1a (2) is deleted. (a protest flag is always required, but you won't need it)
- 1.8 RRS 29.1 and 29.2 are modified. (RC will make best effort to signal OCS using VHF radio communication)
- 1.9 RRS 62.1(a) is modified regarding redress on failure to make an OCS call.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Eligible competitors are sailboats belonging to or chartered to, and skippered by, members of Sagamore Yacht Club or their family.
- 2.2 The Sagamore Race Committee will assign a PHRF rating, even if a PHRF Certificate is available. The RC may use historical data to adjust a rating.
- 2.3 One PHRF Jib and Main (JAM) class will be sailed.
- 2.4 Registration is on-line. Eligible boats may enter by navigating to <https://sagamoreyc.com/events-activities/sailing/#R2DNR>, selecting the button for the Race to Dinner and entering the required data by 1500 hours, 14 August 2026.
- 2.5 An e-signed SYC Regatta waiver is required from all competitors. Only one waiver per competitor per year is required to be signed, new waivers are not needed for every event. If you have previously signed a waiver for another event this year, there is no need to sign another.

3 FEES

There is no entry fee!

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 The scheduled time for the first warning signal is 1355.
- 4.2 1800 Cocktail hour at SCYC.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

This NOR & SI document is available on the Race to Dinner event page at:
<https://sagamoreyachtclub.theclubspot.com/regatta/Ma2Vd2L5dl>

The event page can also be reached via the link on the SYC Sailing page. Notices to Competitors and scratch sheets with starting times will be posted to the Documents section of the Race to Dinner event page by 2359 hours, August 14, 2025.

6 DIVISIONS AND CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1** Boats will sail in one division and one Jib and Main (JAM) class.
- 6.2** A blue flag will be used as the class flag.
- 6.3** Starting times will be based on handicaps as per the Scratch Sheet.

7 VENUE

Racing will occur in Oyster Bay, Cold Spring Harbor and the adjoining waters of Long Island Sound. Announcement of the starting area will be made on VHF channel 78A prior to the race. Courtesy information may also be posted to the SYC WhatsApp sailing group chat.

8 THE COURSE

See Attachment A for mark listing and chart with approximate mark locations

- 8.1** All Government Marks shall be honored except Cold Spring Harbor Light Tower (Mark K), Red Nun “2” (Mark J), Green Gong “1” (Mark G) or when a Mark is designated as a Mark of the course.
- 8.2** Marks shall be chosen from the marks listed in Attachment A, and all Government Marks in Oyster Bay, Cold Spring Harbor, West Harbor and the adjacent waters of Long Island Sound.
- 8.3** The course shall be listed on a scratch sheet that will be posted to the Documents section of the Race to Dinner event page by 2359 hours, August 14, 2025.

9 STARTING

All boats will start in one sequence

- 9.1** This section of the SI replaces RRS 26.
- 9.2** Boats will be given individual starting times per a scratch sheet that will be posted to the Documents section of the Race to Dinner event page by 2359 hours, August 14, 2025.
- 9.3** The RC will set their time by GPS.
- 9.4** The Warning signal is expected to be at 1355, but may be modified to be later by postponement.
- 9.5** An assembly signal (e.g. a horn or series of horns) will be given approximately 1 minute before the Warning Signal.
- 9.6** A horn will be given at the designated Warning signal time and the class flag will be raised.
- 9.7** A horn will be given as the Preparatory Signal 1 minute after the Warning signal.
- 9.8** A horn will be given as the One Minute signal 4 minutes after the Warning signal.
- 9.9** A horn will be given at the Starting Signal for the first boat, and the class flag will be dipped momentarily.
- 9.10** A horn will be given at the start time for each following boat, and the class flag will be dipped momentarily.
- 9.11** The RC shall attempt to coach the fleet on the starting sequence on VHF channel 78A.
- 9.12** Failure of the RC to provide instructions as per SI 9.11 is not grounds for redress.

10 FINISHING

- 10.1** After the starting signal, the race committee may shorten the course or abandon the race via announcement over VHF channel 78A. This modifies RRS 32.
- 10.2** In the absence of the Race Committee, each boat shall record her own time using a GPS or other similarly accurate time reference and report it on VHF channel 78A while finishing, or to the RC via text to (516) 695-1517, as soon as possible, along with her relative position with regards to other boats. This modifies RRS 34.

11 TIME LIMIT

- 11.1** The time limit for all finishes shall be 1630, but is subject to discretionary extension by the RC.
- 11.2** Any boat that finishes after the time limit will be scored TLE. This modifies RRS 35.

12 PROTESTS

Protests shall be settled at the bar during cocktail hour.

13 SCORING

Time over distance¹ shall be used to calculate starting time differences.

14 PRIZES

- 15** Prize will be awarded for first. Winners will be announced at the Seawanhaka YC bar after the race and are allowed to outrageously brag until 30 minutes after dessert (after which point they may only modestly brag). Awards will be presented at the SYC Awards dinner on November 6th.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1** VHF channel 78A will be monitored by the Race Committee.
- 16.2** Prior to the first warning signal, each boat shall check in by VHF channel 78A. Each boat shall hail their name until acknowledged
- 16.3** Any boat withdrawing before the start, or abandoning the race for any reason, shall notify the Race Committee at the earliest possible opportunity on VHF channel 78A. If the RC cannot be contacted on 78A, alternate notification shall be made via telephone/text to the RC at (516) 695-1517, at the earliest possible opportunity.

17 RESONSIBILITIES OF COMPETITORS

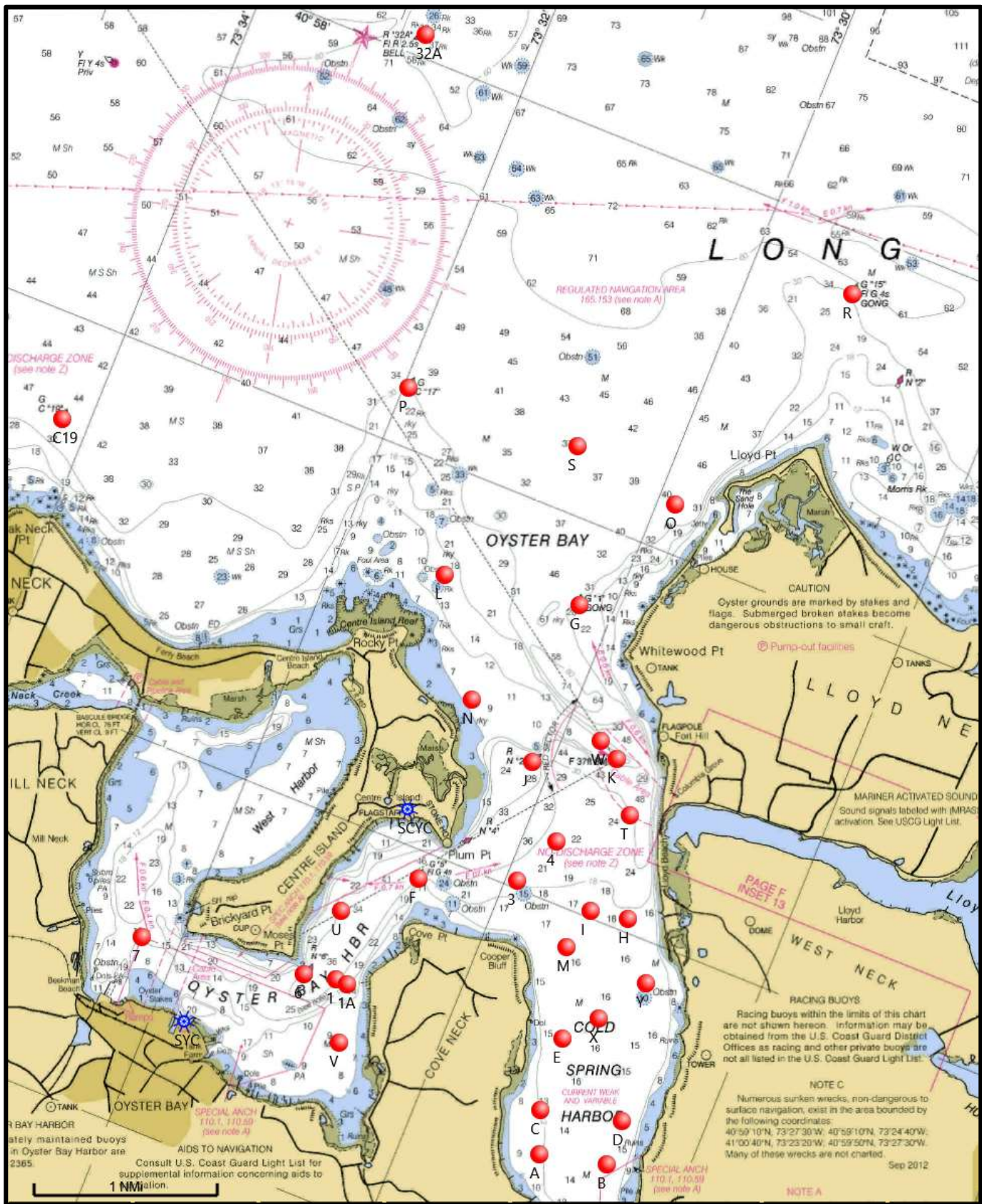
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. Sagamore Yacht Club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

Please contact the SYC Racing Committee at racing@sagamoreyc.com for additional information

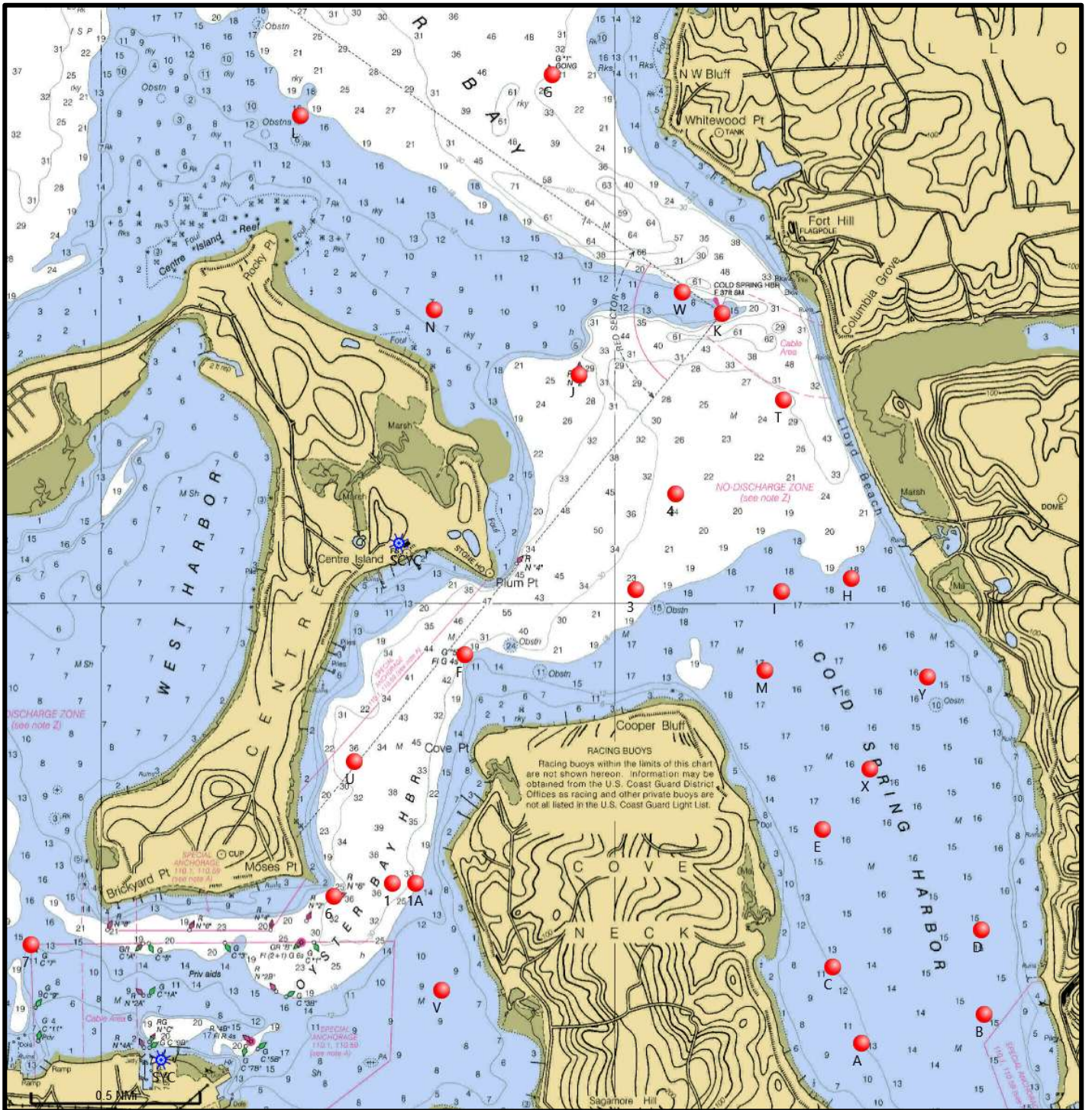
¹ Difference equals [(rating-scratch) * course distance]

Attachment A - Approximate Mark Positions in LIS



Updated 5/28/2024

Approximate Mark Positions in OB/CSH



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Mark	Location Description	Buoy	Characteristics	Approximate Coordinates ²				Last Verified
				Lat (Deg)	Lat (Min)	Long (Deg)	Long (Min)	
1	West of Cove Neck	SYC	Orange Cylinder	40	53.178	73	30.867	2024
1A ³	West of Cove Neck	SYC	White Cylinder	40	53.177	73	30.776	2024
3	North of Cooper Bluff	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	54.041	73	29.918	2024
32A	Mid-Sound Buoy	R"32A"	Fl R 2.5 sec Bell	40	58.122	73	32.801	-
4	North of Cooper Bluff	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	54.323	73	29.761	2024
6	Moses Point	R "6"	Nun	40	53.136	73	31.083	2023
7	North of The Waterfront Center	G "7"	Nun	40	52.998	73	32.273	2023
A	1/2 nm WNW of CSHBC	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	52.708	73	29.037	2024
B	1/2 nm NW of CSHBC	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	52.791	73	28.562	2024
C	East of Cove Neck	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	52.931	73	29.150	2024
C19	North of Oak Neck Pt	G"19"	Can	40	55.450	73	34.193	-
D	1/2 nm N of CSHBC	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	53.042	73	28.573	2024
E	Southeast of Cooper's Bluff	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	53.336	73	29.190	2024
F	SCYC Clubhouse Channel	G"5"	Fl G 4 sec	40	53.850	73	30.591	2023
G	West of Lloyd Neck	G"1"	Gong	40	55.557	73	30.244	2023
H	Lloyd Neck Causeway (S)	CSHBC	Yellow Race Mark	40	54.074	73	28.078	2024
I	Between M & H	CSHBC	Yellow Race Mark	40	54.037	73	29.349	2024
J	Sandbar - off C.I.	R"2"	Nun	40	54.674	73	30.138	2023
K	Cold Spring Harbor Light	Beacon	Spire - 37ft - 7mi - Red/White	40	54.854	73	29.583	2023
L	Centre Island Reef	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	55.437	73	31.223	2024
M	East of Cooper's Bluff	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	53.804	73	29.414	2024
N ⁴	Off Kennedy's Beach, C.I.	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	54.865	73	30.704	2024
N4 ⁵								
O	West of Lloyd Neck	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	56.260	73	29.874	2024
P	Centre Island Reef	G"17"	Bell	40	56.310	73	31.965	-
R	North of Lloyd Neck	G"15"	Gong	40	57.680	73	29.258	-
S	Between P & O	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	56.358	73	30.685	2024
T	Lloyd Neck Causeway (N)	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	54.600	73	29.341	2024
U	Yellow Race Mark, SW corner of SCYC mooring field	SYC	Small Yellow Race Mark	40	53.535	73	31.013	2024
V	Oyster Bay Cove	SYC	Orange Ball	40	52.865	73	30.673	2023
W	Mark west of Lighthouse in CSH	SCYC	Yellow Race Mark	40	54.916	73	29.735	2024
X	Between E & Y (Cold Spring Harbor North)	CSHBC	Yellow Race Mark	40	53.515	73	29.005	2024
Y	East of X (Cold Spring Harbor North/East)	CSHBC	Yellow Race Mark	40	53.784	73	28.783	2024
Z	Position to be announced by RC	SYC	Yellow Tetrahedron	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

¹ Note that several marks not under the responsibility of SYC are often not at their stated positions. The SYC Racing Coordinator verifies the marking and position of all marks on a best-effort basis and periodically updates the SIs with this information.

³ Although verified, 1A tends to be regularly shifted small amounts, consider the listed coordinates to be approximate

⁴ In shallow water. Recommend it only be used during the top half of the tide.

⁵ Not recommended as a turning mark, included for reference