# Head of the Housatonic 2023 Course Map



# **Course Features**

- **Start & Finish**: the course starts at the flagpole on the Shelton shore south of Indian Well State Park and finishes at the NHRC boathouse.
- **Major Marks**: the Start, the Finish and each major turn marked by one or more 40", Hi-Viz Orange buoys. Additional orange buoys may be placed along the course for safety and navigation purposes.
- **Buoy Lines:** the first 1000m, second 1000m and the final 1000m of the course marked by buoy lines to separate boats heading upriver and downriver. All buoys are yellow except final 500m are red buoys.
- Warm-Up Area: downriver from the start for 1500m and marked by large orange buoys leading rowers toward Yale and back to the start
- **Run-Off Area:** after the finish, a the run-off area of 250m marked by small, 18" red/orange buoys so as not to confuse finishing rowers.

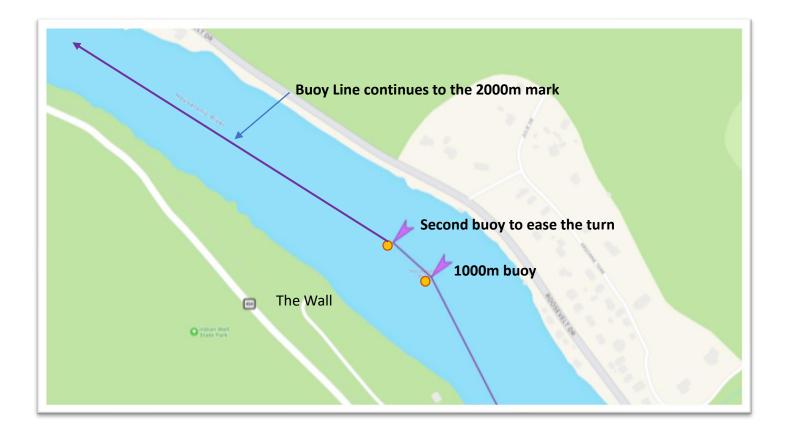
## The Start

- Starts at the flagpole on the Shelton Shore
- Yellow buoy line from Start to the first 1,000m turn



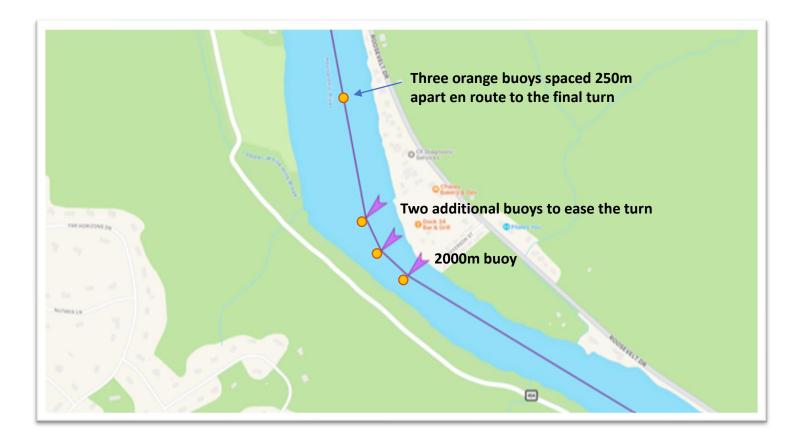
#### First Turn: Past the Beach

- Located 1000 meters upriver from the Start
- Two orange buoys mark the turn
- Yellow buoy line continues to the 2000m mark



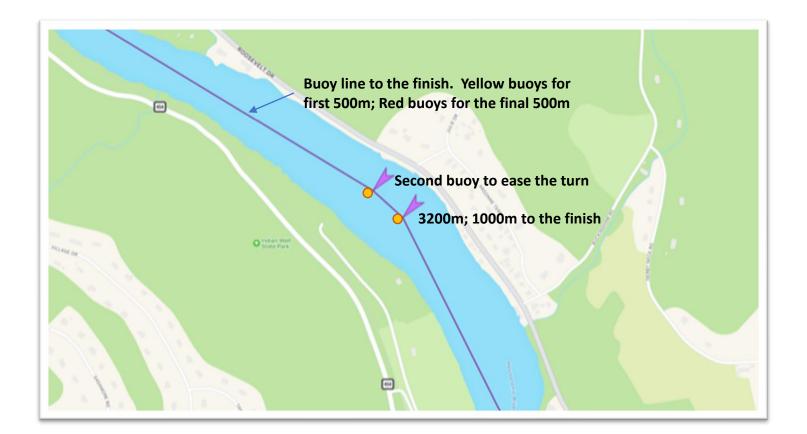
### Second Turn: The "Barbeque"

- 2000 meters into the racecourse
- One buoy at 2000m; two more guide the turn
- Three orange buoys every 250m to the final turn



### Third Turn: The "Airplane"

- 3200 meters into the racecourse
- Two buoys guide the turn
- Buoy line continues 1000 meters to the finish



### The Finish at NHRC

- 1000m from the Airplane to the Finish
- Single finish buoy marked "F" off the NHRC dock
- Small red/orange buoys denote a ~250m run-off

