

Red, right, return

This navigational mantra refers to the starboard or red navigational aids posted along the right hand side of your vessel when returning to a harbor or traveling in an upstream direction. [Note that, in a rowing shell, this refers to the right side of the boat when facing forward. Since rowers face the back or stern, "red, right, return" means stay to your left.] When sculling in any waterway, navigate your boat in a path along the right side of the course.

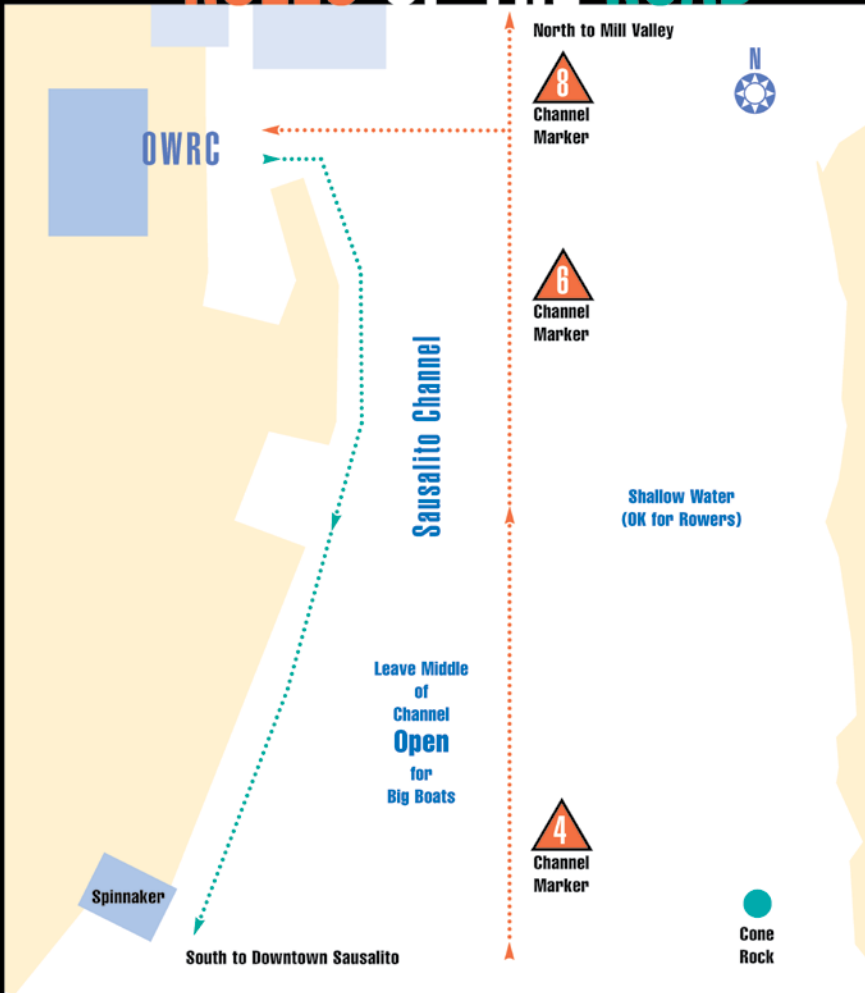
Boat channels are intended for use by deeper draft vessels and rowers do not have right of way. Larger boats have more limited maneuverability, especially around marinas and docks and they cannot always see you. Always assume that you must yield to other vessels; be alert for their activity in your vicinity.

Scullers should take care not to interfere with larger boats, especially commercial vessels, and use the middle of the channel only for crossing. Cross at 90° and do so as quickly as possible. Allow any oncoming vessels to pass, and then cross astern of them.

Don't row near the ferry slip. Ferries give one blast upon leaving the pier but, if you are behind them when they blow their horn, it's already too late to get out of the way.

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Stay to the INSIDE of the Channel going SOUTH Stay to the OUTSIDE of the Channel coming NORTH!!!

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