



# INTERNATIONAL ETHELLES CLASS

## 2020 United States National Championship

April 23-26, 2020

San Diego California



## NOTICE OF RACE

The organizing authority is the San Diego Yacht Club in conjunction with the United States International Etchells Class Association and Etchells Fleet 13.

### 1. RULES:

- 1.1. The race will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and the rules of the International Etchells Class Association (IECA) as amended by this notice of race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. The following prescriptions of US Sailing will apply: Rules 40, 60.3, 67, 76.1 and Appendix R only.
- 1.3. This regatta is classified as a Class B Sanctioned Event under the rules of the IECA.
- 1.4. Skippers shall be Active members and crew Associate or Active members of the IECA.
- 1.5. All competing boats shall carry a hand held VHF radio to be used exclusively for purposes of safety and Race Committee communications. The use of mobile telephones and other electronic communication devices is prohibited.

### 2. ADVERTISING:

Advertising will be restricted to World Sailing Category A.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the International Etchells Class.
- 3.2. Competitors shall comply with the rules of the IECA, and WS Regulation 19.
- 3.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration by Wednesday, April 22, 2020 and paying the required fees at [www.sdyc.org/etchellsnationals](http://www.sdyc.org/etchellsnationals)

### 4. FEES:

- 4.1. The entry fee is \$300.00 per boat if received by Wednesday, April 22, 2020, and \$350.00 thereafter.

**5. SCHEDULE:**

Thursday, April 23	1400 – Warning for Practice Race w/ 2 starts 1600 - 1800 Registration and Check-In
Friday, April 24	0800 - 0900 Check-In 0900 Skipper's meeting - SDYC sail wash lawn 1125 Warning signal first race Additional races to follow Debrief following racing
Saturday, April 25	1125 Warning signal first race Additional races to follow Debrief following racing
Sunday, April 26	1125 Warning signal first race Additional races to follow No warning after 1500.

**6. MEASUREMENT:**

- 6.1. Boats, rigs, and sails will not be measured but shall be in compliance with IECA.
- 6.2. Each boat shall present a valid Sail Measurement Card as well as a Hull & Spar Measurement Certificate at registration/check-in.
- 6.3. Competitors, at the time of registration, will declare from their sail card which sails they will use. No more than 1 mainsail, 2 jibs and 2 spinnakers which have been previously measured will be used.
- 6.4. Competitor's weigh in will be required at registration. There shall be three or four persons on each boat and their total combined weight in light clothing at the time of registration shall be no more than 285 kg.

**7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Sailing instructions will be available at the time of registration/check-in and may be posted in advance on the event web site.

**8. VENUE:**

The sailing venue will be in the Pacific Ocean south of Coronado and east of Point Loma in the area called Coronado Roads.

**9. COURSES:**

- 9.1. The courses will be windward – leeward with offset and gate marks as appropriate.

**10. PENALTIES:**

- 10.1. A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty including one tack and one jibe when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. This changes Rule 44.1.
- 10.2. However, when a boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty, each turn including one tack and one jibe.

**11. SCORING:**

- 11.1. Eight races are scheduled with four completed races required to constitute the championship.
- 11.2. The Low Point System, Appendix A - Scoring, will apply, except that after five races have been completed a boat's worst score will be excluded.

**12. SUPPORT BOATS:**

- 12.1. Coach and support boats must be registered with the Organizing Authority prior to acting as a coach or support boat.
- 12.2. All registered coach and support boats will carry on board and operate while on the water a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF Channels and agree to assist the Race Committee if directed to do so.
- 12.3. Competitors shall have no communication with, and boats shall not be tied to, coach or support boats from 30 minutes before the first scheduled Warning Signal of the day until racing has been concluded for the day. This 30-minute time will be signaled by the display of code flag Bravo with one sound signal, which will be removed one minute prior to the first scheduled Warning Signal of the day. Between races, coach and support boats shall not approach, communicate with or transfer provisions or equipment to or from their supported boats unless in a medical or emergency requirement threatening the health of the crew or the flotation of the boat and only with the expressed permission of the Race Committee.

**13. HAUL - OUT RESTRICTIONS:**

- 13.1. Boats shall be afloat no later than the warning signal for the first race Friday, April 24, 2020.
- 13.2. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta without written permission from the Race Committee. This changes RRS 45.

**14. PRIZES:**

- 14.1. U.S. National Champion, skipper and crew.
- 14.2. Second – 3 overall, skipper and crew.
- 14.3. First - 5 Corinthian fleet skipper and crew
- 14.4. The Organizing Authority may provide additional prizes.

**15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, the race committee, the International Etchells Class, and sponsors 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.

**16. INSURANCE:**

Each participating boat is required to hold adequate insurance including a minimum of \$300,000 third-party insurance, and it is the owner's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event.

PROOF OF INSURANCE SHALL BE SUPPLIED WITH EACH ENTRY AT REGISTRATION.

**REGATTA CO-CHAIRS:**

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