



INTERNATIONAL ETCHELLS CLASS 2016 United States National Championship

X Annual Coral Reef Cup

March 17-20, 2016 Coral Reef Yacht Club 2484 South Bay Shore Drive Coconut Grove, Florida, 33133

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority is the Coral Reef Yacht Club (CRYC) in conjunction with the United States International Etchells Class Association and Etchells Fleet 20.

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 US Sailing prescriptions will apply: 40, 60, 61.4, 63.2, 67, 76.1, and Appendix R.
- 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 shall be an associate or active member 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 International Sailing Federation (ISAF) 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 ISAF Regulation 19.
- 3.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration by March 17, 2016 at: http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1640

4. FEES:

- 4.1. The entry fee is \$375.00 per boat if received by March 7th, 2016, and \$450.00 thereafter.
- 4.2. There is a \$75.00 supplemental fee for a fourth crew member.

5. SCHEDULE:

Thursday, March 17, 2016 16:30–18:30 Registration and Weigh-In

Friday, March 18, 2016 07:30-08:45 Late Registration & Weigh-In

09:00 Skipper's meeting- CRYC pool deck

11:00 Warning signal-first race Additional races to follow

Saturday, March 19, 2016: 11:00 Warning signal-first race

Additional races to follow Competitor's dinner after racing

Sunday, March 20, 2010 11:00 Warning signal-first race

Additional races to follow No warning signal after 14:30

6. MEASUREMENT:

6.1. Boats, rigs, and sails will not be measured but shall be in compliance with IECA.

- 6.2. Competitor 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.
- 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.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Sailing instructions will be available at the time of registration/check-in and will be posted in advance on the CRYC web site or on yachtscoring.com

8. VENUE:

The sailing venue will be Biscayne Bay, Coconut Grove, Florida.

9. COURSES:

- 9.1. The courses will be windward leeward.
- 9.2. An offset mark will be employed at mark 1 and a gate at mark 2.

10. PENALTIES:

- 10.1. The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 is changed where the penalty will be a one turn penalty including one tack and one jibe. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 10.2. A boat that breaks a rule of Part 2 within the 3 boat length zone around a mark will take a two turn 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. After five races have been completed, a boat's worst score will be excluded.

12. SUPPORT BOATS:

12.1 Support boats shall stay 100 yards outside areas where boats are about to race or are racing from the time of the warning signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

13. HAUL - OUT RESTRICTIONS:

- 13.1. Boats shall be afloat no later than the warning signal for the first race Friday, March 17, 2016.
- 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 through fifth place overall, skipper and crew.
- 14.3. 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.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION:

REGISTRATION: WWW.YACHTSCORING.COM

SOCIAL: Please refer to the event schedule at http://www.coralreefyachtclub.org/

HOUSING: Please refer to the event website http://www.coralreefyachtclub.org/ for housing information.

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