

NOTICE OF RACE

FOR THE

INTERNATIONAL ETCHELLS CLASS 2018 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Brisbane, Queensland, Australia

18th OCTOBER to 27th OCTOBER 2018

CONDUCTED BY

THE ROYAL QUEENSLAND YACHT SQUADRON

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In conjunction with

INTERNATIONAL ETCHELLS CLASS ASSOCIATION, BRISBANE FLEET INC.



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The Brisbane Etchells Fleet in conjunction with the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron invites entries to the 2018 World Championship to be sailed on Moreton Bay, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia from 18th October to 27th October 2018.

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron (RQYS) in conjunction with the International Etchells Class Association, Brisbane Fleet Inc.

2. RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2 The prescriptions and regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) will not apply.
- 2.3 The rules and regulations of the International Etchells Class Association (IECA) will apply except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.4 Safety equipment to be carried is itemized in Annexure A.
- 2.5 The Championship is a World Sailing (WS) Recognised Event and is sanctioned by the International Etchells Class as a Class A event.
- 2.6 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 2.7 The jury may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of non-Part 2 rules. This changes RRS 64.1.
- 2.8 Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.

3. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of the International Etchells Class and shall comply with the WS Eligibility Code, Regulation 19.
- 4.2 To be eligible for the Corinthian Trophy, all competitors on such boat are required to satisfy the requirements of, and to have a current Category 1 WS Sailor Classification prior to registration and at all times during the event. This can be obtained online at www.sailing.org.
- 4.3 Entry allocation is 33% of each fleet's paid boats rounded up. Qualification to enter shall be verified by the entrant's Fleet Captain prior to the entry being accepted. No entry can be considered as final until the entry's eligibility has been verified by the Organising Authority with the International Etchells Class Association Secretariat. Additionally, eligibility is extended to those who qualify through a Qualifying Event as defined in Class Appendix A 7.C or otherwise qualify pursuant to Class Appendix A 7.C.
- 4.4 For the purpose of complying with Class Rule C.2.2, each skipper and crew member of each boat shall be weighed prior to racing on Sunday 21st October 2018 between the hours of 0800 and 1200.
- 4.5 The total combined weight of skipper and crew members for each boat will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 4.6 Competitors shall be reweighed after racing on Wednesday 24th October 2018 up to 1900 Hours or on the following morning, Thursday 25th October 2018, between the hours of 0800 and 1000 to ensure compliance with Class Rule C.2.2. Competitors that fail to reweigh by the designated time

- or fail to make the weight limit by the designated time shall be scored DNS for all subsequent races until such time as they comply with Class Rule C.2.2. The Race Committee may approve an extension of time in extenuating circumstances, and such requests are to be submitted in writing to the Race Committee.
- 4.7 Competitors shall be weighed wearing light clothing, the minimum being outerwear shorts and t-shirt.
- 4.8 Competitor substitutions shall not be permitted for the purpose of making the weight limit.
- 4.9 Weighing scales will be available each race day in the Race Office from 0800 hours to 1800 hours.

5. ENTRIES

5.1 Entries shall be made using the Official Online Entry System accompanied by the entry fee as per the following table, together with copies of the boat's Measurement Certificate, Sail Measurement Certificate and Insurance Certificate and are to be received by the Organising Authority no later than 14th September 2018.

Early Bird – Up to 1700 hours July 20, 2018	3 Person	AU\$2,500
Early Bird – Up to 1700 hours July 20, 2018	4 Person	AU\$2,900
Normal Entry – 1701 hours July 20 to September 14, 2018	3 Person	AU\$2,800
Normal Entry – 1701 hours July 20 to September 14, 2018	4 Person	AU\$3,200

- 5.2 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority if accompanied by a late fee of AU\$500 and received by 14th October 2018.
- 5.3 Originals of the Measurement Certificate, the Sail Measurement Certificate and Insurance shall be presented at registration.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6.1

Dat	te	Event	Races Time		
Thursday	Oct 18	Measurement & Registration		0900-1300 & 1400-1600	
Friday	Oct 19	Measurement & Registration		0900-1300 & 1400-1600	
Saturday	Oct 20	Measurement & Registration		0900-1300 & 1400-1600	
		IGC Annual Meeting		0900 - 1200	
		IECA Annual Meeting		1700 - 1800	
		50 th Anniversary Dinner		1900	
Sunday	Oct 21	Measurement & Registration		0800 - 1200	
		Competitor Weigh in		0700 – 1200	
		All boats afloat		1200	
		Skippers' Briefing		1100	
		Practice Race	1	1400 Warning Signal	
		Opening Ceremony & Reception		1900	
Monday	Oct 22	Race Day 1	Not more than 2	1200 Warning Signal	
Tuesday	Oct 23	Race Day 2	Not more than 2	1200 Warning Signal	
Wednesda	y Oct 24	Race Day 3	Not more than 2	1200 Warning Signal	
		Competitor Re-Weigh		After Racing - 2000	
Thursday	Oct 25	Competitor Re-Weigh		0800 - 1000	
		Race Day 4	Not more than 2	1200 Warning Signal	
Friday	Oct 26	Race Day 5	Not more than 2	1200 Warning Signal	

Saturday	Oct 27	Race Day 6	Not more than 1	1200 Warning Signal
		Boat Haul Out		Up to 1730
		Awards Ceremony & Farewell Function		1830
Sunday	Oct 28	Boat Haul Out		0800 -1800

- 6.2 Nine races are scheduled and more than one race may be sailed on any race day.
- 6.3 The Class International Governing Committee members present may permit the Race Committee to deviate from the above schedule.
- 6.4 No warning signal will be made after 1500 hours on Saturday October 27.

7. REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

- 7.1 Eligible boats shall register with the Organising Authority between the hours and on the days as detailed in the Schedule of Events Clause 6.1.
- 7.2 All boats will be measured for compliance with WS measurement regulations and class rules and shall present a current original Hull and Spars Measurement Certificate and Sail Measurement Certificate during registration.
- 7.3 All boats must be available for measurement at RQYS from 0900 hours on Thursday 18th October 2018. Entrants will be notified if an assigned measurement time is scheduled. The event Chief Measurer may examine or measure any competing boat which is available in advance of the first official Registration and Measurement date.
- 7.4 A boat shall not carry any unreasonable quantities of water or anything else for the purpose of adding ballast. The amount of water permitted to be carried should be sufficient for the skipper and crew for drinking purposes during the day's racing, to this end a maximum of 10 litres of water per boat is acceptable.
- 7.5 All registration formalities, including payment of all Class and event fees, boat and sail measurement, and presentation of original Hull and Sail Measurement Certificates, are required to be completed by 1200 hours on 21st October 2018.
- 7.6 During competition any boat may be subject to re-measurement or examination at any time.
- 7.7 After measurement until completion of racing, no boat, sail or any item of measured equipment shall leave the venue without being posted on the Official Equipment Sign-out Sheet on the Official Notice Board. It is the sole responsibility of each skipper to ensure proper recording.
- 7.8 After measurement until completion of racing, no sail shall be recut or altered. Repairs to sails pursuant to all applicable rules are permissible only upon written approval of the International Jury. All such sails may be subject to re-measurement on completion of repairs.
- 7.9 Technical and measurement issues will be decided by the International Jury upon the recommendation of the Class IGC/ODT and/or Chief Measurer appointed by the International Etchells Class Association.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

9. RACING AREA

The races will be sailed on the waters of Moreton Bay, to the east of Green Island.

10. COURSES

The courses will be as set out in the current International Etchells Class "Standard World Championship Sailing Instructions" Appendix D as detailed on the International Etchells Class website.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 shall be a One Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe in the same direction) except that for infringements occurring within the Zone as defined in the current RRS the penalty shall be a Two Turns Penalty (two tacks and two gybes in the same direction). This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2.
- 11.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under RRS 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 The Low Point scoring system of the RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 12.2 Six races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.3 When fewer than seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 12.4 When seven or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst result.

13. INTERNATIONAL JURY

- 13.1 The Championship will have an International Jury constituted in accordance with RRS 91 (b) and Appendix N. Substitutions may be made. Decisions of the Jury will be final in accordance with RRS 70.5.
- 13.2 For protests involving an alleged breach of the rules of Part 2 or rule 31 of the RRS, an arbitration hearing may be held prior to a protest hearing. This modifies Part 5 Section B of the RRS.

14. COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS

- 14.1 Coach and support boats must be registered with the Organising Authority prior to acting as a coach or support boat and shall be marked with identifying flags issued by the Organising Authority. Boats shall display identifying flags at all times while they are acting as a coach or support boat.
- 14.2 All registered coach and support boats will carry on board and operate while on the water at least one VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF Channels and agree to assist the Race Committee if directed to do so.
- 14.3 Competitors shall have no communication with, and boats shall not be tied to, coach or support boats from the first Warning Signal (or any other time the Organising Authority considers appropriate) of the day until racing has been concluded for 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 skipper or crew or the flotation of the boat and only with the expressed permission of the International Jury or the Race Committee.
- 14.4 Specific coach and support boat instructions will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.

15. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

All boats shall be afloat before 1200 on Sunday 21st October 2018 and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of written permission of the Jury. The penalty may be DSQ for any subsequent races.

16. PLASTIC POOLS

- 16.1 Plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around competing yachts between the close of registration and the end of the regatta.
- 16.2 There will be no swimming of boats in the harbour.

17. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 17.1 This supplements but does not change RRS 2 and 41 for the IECA. All boats must carry at least one marine band VHF receiver capable of receiving normal international channels. Boats must use the radio to report retirement from racing and may use the radio to request assistance in an emergency. No other transmissions are permitted by competing yachts during each racing day from the first Warning Signal (or any other time considered appropriate by the Organising Authority and specified in the Sailing Instructions) until the end of the last race of the day on each race day until the boat has completed its days racing.
- 17.2 The Race Committee may use the radio to advise competitors of race information.
- 17.3 The use of mobile/cell phones or any device capable of sending and/or receiving external electronic communication and/or connecting to the internet is prohibited during each racing day from the first Warning Signal (or any other time considered appropriate by the Organising Authority and specified in the Sailing Instructions) on each race day until the boat has completed its days racing, except as provided in clause 17.1 or in an emergency threatening the safety of any skipper or crew or the flotation of any boat.
- 17.4 The above does not preclude the Organising Authority from requiring competing boats to carry trackers while racing that may be supplied by the Organising Authority.

18. PRIZES

- 18.1 The World Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner. The Bill Bennett Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the overall winning crew.
- 18.2 Perpetual trophies will also be awarded to the individual race winners of races one through nine, the Masters' Division winner, the Seniors' Division winner, the Grand Masters Division winner, the Bill Munster Sportsmanship Trophy, the Corinthian Cup, the Next Generation Trophy, and the Top Female Helm.
- 18.3 Keeper trophies will be awarded to the first Three place-getters overall and to the other race winners. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 19.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. It is the competitor's decision to enter the Championship or to start or continue in any race. Competitors' attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4 which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."
- 19.2 The Organizing Authority is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a yacht whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta.

20. INSURANCE

All yachts competing are required to carry current Third Party Property and Personal Injury Liability insurance of not less than AU\$5,000,000. All insurance cover shall be maintained during the period of racing.

21. LOANER BOATS

- 21.1 Loaner boats may be available for overseas entrants and will be allocated in accordance with the Class rules at 1200 hours on Sunday 16th September 2018.
- 21.2 The Loaner boat fee of AU\$3,000 includes all insurance premiums.
- 21.3 A Damage Deposit of AU\$2,000 includes insurance deductibles.
- 21.4 Application for a loaner boat is to be made on the Official On-Line Entry Form and the applicable fee paid.

22. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact:

Email: registrations@2018etchellsworlds.org

Website: www.2018etchellsworlds.org

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ANNEXURE A

SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Equipment	Minimum Requirement	Maximum Requirement
Bilge pump with suction bore not less than 25mm:	1	
Buckets – 9.5 Litre capacity – with 1.5 m lanyards	2	
Paddles – length 1200 mm & blade area 0.4m ²	2	
Anchor – Weight	3.5 kg	
Anchor – Chain link size	6 mm	
Anchor & chain – Weight	5.5 kg	9.0 kg
Anchor line – Diameter	10 mm	
Anchor line – Continuous length (no knots)	45 m	50 m
Anchor line – running rigging does not comply		
Personal Buoyancy to the minimum standard EN393: 1995 (CE 50	One for each	
Newtons) in accordance with ISO standard 12402-5 (Level 50), or	competitor	
USCG Type II, or AUS PFD 1.		
The Personal flotation device shall be readily available and have a		
whistle attached.		
VHF Radio	1	
Towing rope – not pre-stretched and floatable (running rigging does		
not comply)		
- Length (no knots)	25 m	30 m
- Minimum diameter	12 mm	
Safety Line (without knots) – IF FITTED		
- Maximum diameter		10 mm
- Maximum extension past the sheer-line from the console		300 mm