



NOTICE OF RACE

Incorporating Amendment No. 1 & 2

INTERNATIONAL ETHELLS CLASS 2019 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

13th to 18th January 2019

to be conducted by the
Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron Ltd.
In conjunction with the
International Etchells Class Association Brisbane Fleet Inc.



The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron Ltd 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 Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the International Etchells Class Association Rules (IECA Rules), this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2. The Organising Authority may require all participating boats to display the Event Sponsor's advertising in accordance with World Sailing (WS) Regulation 20.4.1. No other advertising shall be displayed on competing yachts.
- 2.3. This is a Class B event as sanctioned by the International Etchells Class Association.
- 2.4. The IECA Rules and Regulations will apply except as modified by the sailing instructions.
- 2.5. The Prescriptions and Regulations of Australian Sailing (AS) will apply.
- 2.6. Boats must comply with the 2017-2021 AS Special Regulations Part 1 Category 7. In accordance with the AS variation dated 12 December 2017, Etchells shall use anchors that are compliant with class rule C.5.1 (a) in lieu of Special Regulation Part 1, 4.05.
- 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.
- 2.9. Bow numbers will be supplied for this event and attached by the Organising Authority,

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. All competitors shall comply with the IECA Rules and the WS Eligibility Code.
- 3.2. Each crew member of each boat will be weighed between 0800 and 1000 hours on Monday 14th January 2019 to ensure compliance with One Design Rule (OD Rule) C.2.2.
- 3.3. Crews that fail to make the weight limit by the close of registration on Monday 14th January 2019 will be ineligible to compete.
- 3.4. Crew substitutions will not be permitted for the purpose of making the weight limit.
- 3.5. Crews shall be weighed wearing light clothing, the minimum being outerwear shorts and t-shirt.
- 3.6. All helmsmen and crew shall be financial members of the International Etchells Class Association and shall conform to RRS 46 and RRS 75.

4. ENTRIES

- 4.1. Entries shall be made using the Official Online Entry System.
- 4.2. Entries shall be accompanied by:
 - 4.2.1. The entry Fee of AU\$600.
- 4.3. The originals of the following documents MUST be produced at the Event Registration:
 - 4.3.1. The Hull and Spar Measurement Certificate registered in the name of the Skipper and any Co-Skipper;

- 4.3.2. The Sail Measurement Certificate; and
- 4.3.3. A valid insurance certificate or Certificate of Currency as detailed in NOR 17.
- 4.4. Entries are to be received by 1700 hours on 11th January 2019.
- 4.5. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority if accompanied by an additional late fee of AU\$100.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday	13 th January	Registration	0900-1200 1300-1800
Monday	14 th January	Registration Weigh In Skippers Briefing Practice Race Welcome Function	0800-1000 0800-1000 1000 Warning 1300 1800
Tuesday	15 th January	Race Day 1	Warning 1100
Wednesday	16 th January	Race Day 2	Warning 1100
Thursday	17 th January	Race Day 3	Warning 1100
Friday	18 th January	Race Day 4 Prize Giving	Warning 1100 1700 approx.

- 5.1 A maximum of seven (7) races will be conducted.
- 5.2 No warning signal will be made after 1500 hours on the last scheduled day of racing of the regatta.
- 5.3 The race committee at its discretion may elect to sail more than the scheduled number of races on any day and as a result may amend the time of the warning signal for the first race of that particular day.
- 5.4 If the race committee decides to sail another race after completion of the day's scheduled race(s) this will be signaled by flying Code Flag "L" from the finish boat.

6. REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

- 6.1. Eligible boats shall register with the Organising Authority at the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron, 578 Royal Esplanade, Manly, QLD 4179 between 0900 to 1200 and 1300 to 1800 hours on Sunday 13th January and 0800 and 1000 hours on Monday 14th January 2019.
- 6.2. Boats will not be measured for this Championship however entrants shall present a current original Hull and Spars Measurement Certificate and Sail Measurement Certificate during registration.
- 6.3. A boat may be subject to measurement or examination by the Organising Authority at any time during the competition.
- 6.4. Sails to be nominated for use in the regatta must be presented at Registration along with the Sail Measurement Certificate. Stickers may be issued for affixing to the nominated sails.
- 6.5. All registration formalities, including payment of all Class and event fees, crew weigh in and presentation of required certificates, must be completed by 1000 hours on Monday 14th January 2019.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and may be available online before the Regatta.

8. RACING AREA

The racing area will be on the waters of Moreton Bay to the East of Green Island.

9. COURSES

Courses will be windward/leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. Seven races are scheduled. Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.2. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.3. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11. PROTEST COMMITTEE

- 11.1. The regatta will have a National Jury appointed by the Organising Authority.
- 11.2. Decisions of the National Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 11.3. 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.

12. TEAM SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

- 12.1. Coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the first Warning Signal of the day until racing has been concluded for the day.
- 12.2. Competitors shall have no communication with, and boats shall not be tied to, coach or support boats from the first warning signal each race day until racing has been concluded for the day.
- 12.3. Between races, coach and support boats shall not approach, communicate or transfer provisions or equipment with their supported boats unless in a medical emergency requirement threatening the health of the crew or the floatation of the boat and only with the express permission of the Race Committee.
- 12.4. Support boats must be registered with the Organising Authority and shall be marked with identifying flags issued by the Organising Authority.
- 12.5. Identifying numbers will be available from the Sailing Office. There may be a small charge for these numbers.

13. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS [DP]

All boats shall be afloat by 1000 hours on Monday 14th January 2019 and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Organising Authority.

14. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS [DP]

- 14.1. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around competing yachts between the preparatory signal for the first race and the end of the regatta.
- 14.2. There will be no swimming of boats in the harbour by competitors. Professional divers with appropriate safety equipment will be available for a fee. Breathing apparatus will be allowed.

15. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS [DP]

- 15.1. This supplements but does not change RRS2 and RRS41 for the IECA. All boats shall carry a marine band VHF transceiver capable of receiving and transmitting on Australian marine channels. Boats may 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 the racing day from the first warning signal until racing has been completed for the day. The Race Committee may use the radio to advise competitors of race information.
- 15.2. 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 from the first Warning Signal of the day until racing has been concluded for the day, except as provided in clause 15.1 or in an emergency threatening safety of any member of the crew or the flotation of the boat and only with the express permission of the Race Committee.

16. ENTRY DISCLAIMER

- 16.1. It is each competitor's decision to enter the regatta or to start and continue in any race. Competitor's 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 is hers alone."
- 16.2. The Organising Authority, the Race Committee, other race officials and sponsors accept no responsibility in the respect of material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

17. INSURANCE

- 17.1. All yachts competing in the Regatta are required to carry current Third Party Personal and Property Liability Insurance cover of a minimum AU\$5,000,000 or equivalent thereof in any other currency for any one accident.
- 17.2. All owners/competitors who sign the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Competitors must produce evidence of such insurance at registration.
- 17.3. Each Skipper and/or co-skipper is liable for any third party property and personal injury claims.

18. PRIZES

- 18.1. The Skip Etchells Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner.
- 18.2. The Roger Dane Trophy will be awarded to the Masters Champion (Helm over 60 years of age).
- 18.3. The Jim Annand Trophy will be awarded to the winner of the Grand Masters Division (aggregate age of crew exceeds 150 years for a three man crew and 200 years for a four man crew).
- 18.4. The Australian Ladies Champion will be awarded to the first place lady helm.
- 18.5. The Australian Corinthian Trophy will be awarded to the first placed skipper where no member of the crew, including the skipper, is a professional sailor nor works in the sailing industry.
- 18.6. Age is that applicable at midnight on 13th January 2019.
- 18.7. Keeper prizes will also be awarded to First, Second and Third Overall.
- 18.8. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

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