# **Sailing Instructions**

# Organizing Authority: Etchells Fleet 7, C&C Association of Detroit & Beneteau First 36.7 Detroit Fleet

# The following are the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

#### 1. Rules

1.1 This regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing and the applicable national class one-design rules and safety regulations.

# 2. Eligibility and Entry

2.1 All Etchells, Beneteau First 36.7 and C&C 35 Mark I are eligible to sail.

#### 3 Weigh-In

3.1 There will be no weigh-in. B36.7 Skippers will submit crew list and weights.

#### 4. Schedule of Races

- 4.1 There will be up to four (4) races scheduled each day.

  The warning signal for the first race on Saturday 16 August is scheduled for 10:30 hours.

  The warning signal for the first race on Sunday, 17 August is scheduled for 11:30 hours.
- 4.2 After the first race, the warning signal for the following races will be made as soon as practicable.
- 4.3 No warning signals are scheduled after 1600 hours.

#### 5. Sailing Instructions

5.1 The Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions are available on Yacht Scoring or from Jim Best, Fleet Captain, at jbestjr@comcast.net.

#### 6. Communications

- 6.1 The RC may use VHF channel 79 to communicate information about time to start or boats that are OCS or have violated RRS 30. Neither failure of the RC to communicate the sail numbers of recalled boats in a timely manner, nor failure of a recalled boat to receive or hear transmitted information, will be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.
- 6.2 Competitors withdrawing from *racing* may use VHF channel 79 to notify the Race Committee.

# 7. Class Flag

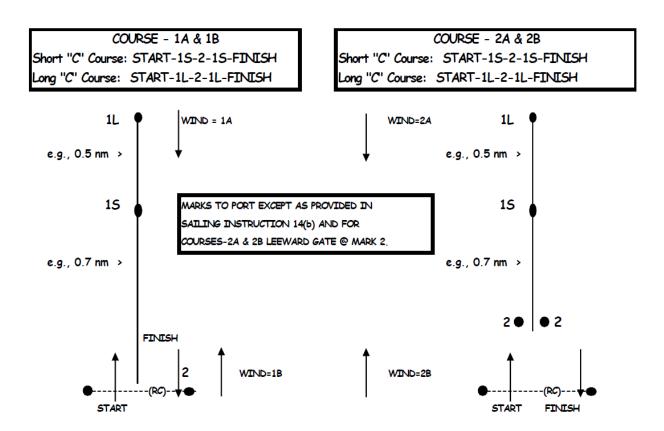
- 7.1 The class flag will be the Etchells class insignia on a white background.
- 7.2 The class flag for the C&C 35 Mark I will be the "0" flag.
- 7.3 The class flag for the Beneteau 36.7 class will be the "K" flag.

# 8. Racing Area

8.1 BYC BOD Circle B: 42°21.768' N, 082° 48.883'W, which is approximately 4.6 nm from the Peche Island Range Rear Light (F115 ft PA) on a compass heading of 090°. The radius of Circle B is 0.9 nautical miles.

#### 9. Courses

9.1 The course will be the DRYA Course 1A. The course will be displayed by number (3, 4, or 5) on the RC boat and communicated via VHF channel 79. Course 4 shall be the preferred course, with courses 3 and 5 available at the discretion of the Race Committee should conditions warrant.



#### 10. Marks

10.1 Marks will be orange inflatable buoys. The race committee may change course by moving marks; if a mark is moved, it must be moved and signaled to the fleet before boats round the prior mark. A change of course flag will be flown by a Race Committee boat near the prior mark and a compass heading for the moved mark will be displayed.

#### 11. The Start and Finish

11.1 STARTING & FINISHING LINES – The starting line shall be between the staff displaying an orange or yellow flag on the Starting Line Signal Boat at the starboard end and a green pyramid buoy. The color of the starting line flag (orange or yellow) will designate the color of the first mark for the class that is starting, subject to a change of color if a course change is signaled later. See DRYA Sailing Instructions 13 and 14.

11.2 The starting sequence shall be in accordance with RRS 26. The race committee will notify the fleet of a "one minute to warning signal" time via VHF channel 79 and with several repeated sound signals.

# 12. Penalty System

12.1 The first sentence of RRS 44.1 is modified as follows: 'A boat may take a penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while *racing*. The penalty shall be a One-Turn Penalty unless she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while *racing* within the zone of a rounding a mark or finishing mark, in which case the penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty. Starting marks are not rounding marks.

## 13. Safety

- 13.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 13.2 Boats leaving the racing area prior to the conclusion of *racing* may use VHF channel 79 to notify the RC.

#### 14. Time Limits

- 14.1 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 45 minutes after the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 14.2 If no boat finishes within 2 hours after the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 14.3 Boats finishing more than 30 minutes after the first finishing boat will be scored DNF.

# 16. After Race Scoring Penalty

- 16.1 RRS A4 is changed with the addition of the following new rule A4.3: "A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while *racing* may take a penalty after she is no longer *racing* and prior to the start of a protest hearing involving the incident. Her penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty of 30% calculated as described in rule 44.3(c), but not more than a DNF score.
- 16.2 Note that if a protested party chooses to take an ARSP, the protestor may then agree to withdraw the protest. If the protestor does not, a protest committee must hear the protest and determine if DSQ is a more appropriate penalty.

# 17. Protests

- 17.1 Protest forms are available at the protest desk located in the Trophy Room at Bayview Yacht Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the docking of the Race Committee Signal Boat for the Circle of the protesting boat.
- 17.3 The times of protest hearings and the parties involved will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board. This posting constitutes the notice required by RRS 63.2.
- 17.4 Breaches of SIs 10.1, 11.2, 13, 21 and 22 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 17.5 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered

- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day; (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.
- 17.6 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

# 18. Scoring

18.1 A boat's score will be the total of her race scores. For the Etchell class, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores, minus one throwout for every 5 races the fleet has sailed.