



INTERNATIONAL ETHELLES CLASS

14th Annual Coral Reef Cup

March 19 – 21, 2021

Coral Reef Yacht Club

2484 South Bayshore Drive

Coconut Grove, FL, 33133

NOTICE OF RACE

AMENDMENT 1

(Covid 19 Restrictions Apply)

The organizing authority is Etchells Fleet 20. Coral Reef Yacht Club is the host club.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, 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: 61.4, 67, 76.1, Appendix R and Appendix V and are stated in full in NoR Addendum #1.
- 1.3 Skippers shall be Active members of the IECA.
- 1.4 International Etchells Class Rule C.5.2(b)(7) is changed as follows: All competing boats **shall** carry a handheld VHF radio for safety purposes and race committee communication. The use of mobile telephones and other electronic communication devices is prohibited.
- 1.5 Due to Covid-19 restrictions, only Coral Reef Members will be allowed access to the Coral Reef Yacht Club grounds (including, but not limited to storage, launching, berthing and retrieval of boats). Limited storage, launching, berthing and retrieval for those boats not launching from Coral Reef or BBYC may be available at the United States Sailing Center (usscmiami@bellsouth.net) or Shake A Leg Miami (jorge@shakealegmiami.org).
- 1.6 All participants agree to and shall abide by CRYC Covid-19 Rules for Regattas. (CRYC Covid-19 rules are posted separately on the event website in Yacht Scoring. (<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14293>))

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1.7 Sailing Instructions will be posted in advance on the event website Scoring. (<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14293>)

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14293>

- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on all US channels.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the Sis.
- 3.4 [DP] [While racing] [From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day], except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the International Etchells Class.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fees at Yacht Scoring. (<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14293>)

5. FEES

- 4.1 The 2021 entry fee is \$250 per boat if received by March 12th, 2021, and \$300 thereafter.
- 4.2 Due to COVID-19 Restrictions there will be no social events.**

6. ADVERTISING

- 6.1 Advertising will be restricted to World Sailing Regulation 20.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1	Thursday, March 18, 2021	1630 – 1830	Late Registration and Check-In
	Friday, March 19, 2021	0730 – 0845	Check-in
		0900	Zoom Skipper’s Meeting – link TBA
		1100	Warning signal first race
			Additional races to follow
	Saturday, March 20, 2021	1100	Warning signal first race
			Additional races to follow
	Sunday, March 21, 2021	1100	Warning signal first race
			Additional races to follow
			No warning after 1430

- 7.2 Boats, rigs and sails will not be measured but shall comply with IECA rules.

8. VENUE

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

9. COURSES

The race course configurations will be Windward – Leeward with offset marks and gates.

10. PENALTIES

Appendix V – Alternative Penalties will be in effect.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 Eight races are scheduled with four completed races required to constitute the regatta.
- 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 PERSON VESSELS

- 12.1 [DP] Support boats shall register at the registration/check-in desk. Identifying flags may be issued and if issued shall be displayed at all times while on the water.
- 12.2 Team leaders, coaches, and other support personnel shall not communicate with any competitor during the race in any manner, unless assisting in an emergency. Support boats shall stay well outside of the starting and racing area from the time of a warning signal until boats have finished the race or until the race committee signals a postponement, general recall, or abandonment.
- 12.3 Support boats shall have on board a working VHF radio and shall actively monitor the race committee on Channel 71.

13. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 13.1 Boats shall be afloat no later than the warning signal for the first race Friday, March 19, 2021.
- 13.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee. This changes RRS 45.

14 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.** 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.

15 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.

16 PRIZES

- 16.1 Coral Reef Cup Perpetual Trophy (remains in custody of CRYC) awarded to skipper and crew.
- 16.2 Prizes will be awarded to first through fifth place overall, skipper and crew.
- 16.3 The Organizing Authority may provide additional prizes.
- 16.4 Due to Covid-19 restrictions only those competitors receiving prizes will be invited to the prizegiving.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

CRYC WATERFRONT DIRECTOR: Stuart deLisser waterfront@coralreefyachtclub.org
REGATTA CHAIRMAN: Chris Lanza cfl@lanzalaw.com

FLEET 20 CAPTAIN:

Jeff Nehms

racing@etchellsFleet20.org

ADDENDUM #1

61.4 Fees for Protests and Requests for Redress

US Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.

67 DAMAGES

- (a) *A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.*
- (b) *A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US Sailing appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.*
- (c) *A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.*

76.1 EXCLUSION OF BOATS OR COMPETITORS

US Sailing prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.

APPENDIX R PROCEDURES FOR APPEALS AND REQUESTS

This appendix is a US Sailing prescription.

See rules 70 and 71. This appendix replaces Appendix R as adopted by World Sailing for the purpose of creating a two-level appeals system. The US Sailing Appeals Committee acts as the national authority under rule 71.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) on the appeals system and their answers, including advice on how to prepare an appeal, can be found on the US Sailing website. Go to [appeals.usailing.org](https://www.usailing.org) and click the 'Appeals FAQ' link.

R1 WHERE TO SEND AN APPEAL OR REQUEST

R1.1 *Send appeals, requests and the US Sailing Appeals & Requests Information Form (see rule R2.2) by email to the US Sailing Race Administration Director at submitappeal@ussailing.org. For more information about submitting appeal documents, call US Sailing at 1 (800) US SAIL-1 – (1 800 877 2451).*

R1.2 *Except as provided in rule R1.4, the director will forward an appeal of a decision of a protest committee, an appeal under rule 70.1(b) or a request by a protest committee for confirmation or correction of its decision to the association appeals committee for the*

place in which the event was held. However, such an appeal or request arising from an event conducted under the procedural rules of the Intercollegiate Sailing Association or the Interscholastic Sailing Association will be forwarded to the association appeals committee for the ICSA and ISSA.

- R1.3** *The director will forward an appeal of a decision of an association appeals committee, a request by an association appeals committee for confirmation or correction of its decision, and a request for an interpretation of rules to the US Sailing Appeals Committee.*
- R1.4** *The director will forward to the US Sailing Appeals Committee an appeal under rule 70.1 or a request by a protest committee under rule 70.2 if the appeal or request arose from*
- (a) a decision made under rule 69.2,*
 - (b) a US Sailing national championship, or*
 - (c) a race that either started or finished outside of US waters (see rule 70.3).*

R2 TO APPEAL OR MAKE A REQUEST

- R2.1** (a) To appeal the decision of a protest committee or an association appeals committee, no later than 15 days after receiving the written decision being appealed or a protest committee's decision not to reopen a hearing, the appellant shall send an appeal and a copy of the decision being appealed to US Sailing. The appeal shall state why the appellant believes that committee's decision or its procedures were incorrect;
- (b) To appeal when the hearing required by rule 63.1 has not been held within 30 days after a protest or request for redress was delivered, the appellant shall, within a further 15 days, send an appeal with a copy of the protest or request and any relevant correspondence. The appeals committee to which the appeal is forwarded shall extend the time if there is good reason to do so;
or
- (c) To appeal when the protest committee fails to comply with rule 65, the appellant shall, within a reasonable time after the hearing, send an appeal with a copy of the protest or request and any relevant correspondence. If a copy of the protest or request is not available, the appellant shall instead send a statement of its substance.
- R2.2** The appellant shall also send, with the appeal or as soon as possible thereafter, the US Sailing Appeals & Requests Information Form. To obtain the form, go to appeals.ussailing.org and click the 'Information Form' link. The form requests all of the following documents and information available:
- (a) the written protest(s) or request(s) for redress;
 - (b) if the appeal is from a decision of an association appeals committee, the written decision of the protest committee and the appeal to the association appeals committee;
 - (c) a diagram, prepared or endorsed by the protest committee, that shows

- (1) the positions of all boats involved at relevant times, and their tracks;
 - (2) the course to the next mark and its required side;
 - (3) the speed and direction of the wind;
 - (4) any relevant mark, obstruction or zone; and
 - (5) if relevant, the depth of the water and the speed and direction of any current;
- (d) the notice of race, sailing instructions, any other documents governing the event, and any changes to them;
- (e) the names, postal addresses and email addresses of the parties to the hearing, the chairman of the protest committee and, if relevant, the chairman of the association appeals committee;
- and
- (f) any other relevant documents.

R2.3 To request confirmation or correction of its decision, a protest committee or association appeals committee shall, no later than 15 days after making its decision, send to US Sailing a copy of its decision, the US Sailing Appeals & Requests Information Form, and all relevant documents and comments (see rule R2.2).

R2.4 To request an interpretation of the rules, a club or other organization affiliated to US Sailing shall send its request to US Sailing. The request shall include assumed facts and be endorsed by an officer of the club or organization. A US Sailing committee is considered to be an organization affiliated to US Sailing.

R3 FEES

R3.1 If the appeal or request is being made to an association appeals committee (see rule R1.2), US Sailing charges no fee for forwarding that appeal or request. However, an association appeals committee may charge a fee, in which case the association appeals committee will send a notice to the appellant (or, for a request, to the protest committee) stating the fee, to whom the fee is payable, and the address to which the fee must be sent.

R3.2 If the appeal is being made to the US Sailing Appeals Committee (see rules R1.3 and R1.4) by a member of US Sailing or another national authority, US Sailing charges a fee of \$25. The fee is \$75 for all others.

R3.3 A fee of \$25 is charged for a request for an interpretation of the rules, but there is no fee for such a request from a US Sailing committee. There is no fee for a request from an association appeals committee for confirmation or correction of its decision. There is no fee for an appeal under rule 70.1(b).

R3.4 If a fee is required for an appeal or request, it must be received before the appeal or request will be considered. For appeals and requests made to the US Sailing Appeals Committee, the fee can be paid by check to 'US Sailing' or electronically as described in the Appeals FAQ.

R4 NOTIFICATION OF THE COMMITTEE WHOSE DECISION IS BEING APPEALED

Upon receipt of an appeal, the appeals committee shall send a copy of the appeal to the committee whose decision is being appealed, asking it for any documents required by rule R2.2 not supplied by the appellant.

R5 COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

R5.1 Protest Committee

A protest committee whose decision is being appealed shall supply the documents requested under rule R4 and any facts or other information requested under rule R5.4. If directed to do so by the appeals committee, it shall conduct a hearing, or reopen the hearing, of the protest or request for redress, or conduct a hearing to consider redress.

R5.2 Association Appeals Committee

An association appeals committee may act as the national authority under rule 71.2 and shall act as the national authority under rule 71.3, subject to further appeal as provided in rule R7.1(a). In addition, an association appeals committee

- (a) shall send to all parties to the hearing, and to the protest committee whose decision is being appealed or reviewed, copies of all relevant documents, comments and clarifications it has received, except those supplied by that party or committee;
- (b) shall send its decision in writing to all parties to the hearing and the protest committee; and
- (c) shall consider an appeal it has refused to decide if directed to do so by the US Sailing Appeals Committee.

R5.3 US Sailing Appeals Committee

The US Sailing Appeals Committee shall send to all parties to the hearing, to the protest committee and to the association appeals committee whose decision is being appealed or reviewed, copies of all relevant documents, comments and clarifications it has received, except those supplied by that party or committee.

R5.4 Facts and Other Information

- (a) An appeals committee shall accept the facts found by the protest committee.
- (b) When an appeals committee decides that the facts found by the protest committee are inadequate, or that it needs other information, the appeals committee shall require the protest committee to
 - (1) provide additional facts or information, or
 - (2) reopen the hearing and report any new facts or information. The protest committee shall promptly do so and respond in writing.

R6 COMMENTS

The *parties* to the hearing, the protest committee and, if relevant, the association

appeals committee may make comments on the appeal or request, on any of the documents listed in rule R2.2, and on any clarifications received under rule R7.2(d). Comments shall be sent in writing to the appeals committee no later than 15 days after the *party* or committee receives the document. The appeals committee need not consider comments sent after that time or comments on comments.

R7 PROVISIONS IN ADDITION TO THOSE OF RULES 70 AND 71

R7.1 Right to Appeal or Request Confirmation or Correction

- (a) A party to a hearing may appeal an association appeals committee's decision.
- (b) An association appeals committee may request confirmation or correction of its decision (see rule R2.3).

R7.2 Other Provisions

- (a) No member of the association appeals committee shall take part in the discussion or decision on an appeal or a request for confirmation or correction to the US Sailing Appeals Committee.
- (b) An appeals committee may direct a protest committee to conduct a hearing to consider redress for an appellant or other boats.
- (c) The US Sailing Appeals Committee may direct an association appeals committee to consider an appeal it has refused to decide.
- (d) An appeals committee may seek clarifications of rules governing the event from organizations that are not parties to the hearing.

R7.3 Withdrawing an Appeal

With the consent of the appeals committee, an appellant may withdraw an appeal before it is decided.

R8 EXPEDITED APPEALS

An expedited appeals process, which can only be used at US Sailing Protected Competitions (see US Sailing Regulation 12.03), can be found on the US Sailing website. Go to [appeals.ussailing.org](https://ussailing.org) and click the 'Expedited Appeals' link.

APPENDIX V

ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

This appendix is a US Sailing prescription.

Rules V1 and V2 provide alternative penalties that encourage competitors to take a penalty when they may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident. One or both of these rules apply only if the notice of race or sailing instructions so state. When rule V2 applies it does not replace any penalty that may be taken under rule 44.1.

Please report your experiences with and evaluations of these rules to US Sailing by sending an email to rules@ussailing.org.

V1 PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT

The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn

Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

V2 POST-RACE PENALTIES

- (a) Provided that rule 44.1(b) does not apply, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time after the race until the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.
- (b) A Post-Race Penalty is a 30% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies.
- (c) A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by delivering to the race office a written statement that she accepts the penalty and that identifies the race number and where and when the incident occurred.