



INTERNATIONAL ETHELLES CLASS ASSOCIATION

Southern Area Championship

9th July – 10th July 2016

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

1.1 Organised by the Royal Ocean Racing Club in association with the Cowes International Etchells Fleet.

2 RULES

- 2.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 – 2016.
2.2 Class rules will apply.
2.3 All yachts shall carry a Marine VHF transceiver radio.
2.4 This Notice of Race and amendments will be available on the Yacht Scoring website. www.yachtscoring.com
2.5 No boat, rig, sail measurements, sail cards or crew weights will be officially taken.
2.6 Sails may be borrowed in accordance with the Etchells Class Rules C.10.3(i).
2.7 The Class will provide Bow Sticker numbers which shall be displayed 52cm back from the bow and 6cm from the shearline and 6cm apart. Single digit numbers (e.g."2") must display the leading zero (e.g."02").

3 ADVERTISING

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

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The Championship is open to boats of the International Etchells Class whose owner and crews are current members of the Class Association unless dispensation has been agreed.
4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and paying the required entry fee.

5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee for the event is £180.00 per boat and entry should be made online by 1800 on Friday 1st July 2016 at: <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=2888> .
5.2 Late entries may be accepted up to 0900 on Friday 8th July with an additional £25.

6 VENUE

- 6.1 The Regatta venue and the Regatta Office will be at Cowes Yacht Haven.

7 SCHEDULE

	Saturday 9th July 2016	Sunday 10th July 2016
HW Portsmouth	1603 4.5m	1644 4.4.m
Briefing (Cowes Yacht Haven)	0900	-
First Warning Signal	1055	1025

- 7.1 The event will consist of six races.
7.2 The intention is that there will be no more than four races a day.
7.3 On Sunday 10th July, no warning signal will be made after 1430hrs.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Yacht Scoring website no later than 1700 on 6th July and at the briefing at Cowes Yacht Haven.

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 Racing will be in the Solent from a Committee Boat.
9.2 Courses will be predominantly windward/leeward using laid and/or fixed marks.
9.3 A list of marks to be used will be issued with the Sailing Instructions.

10 PENALTIES

10.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of RRS Part 2 shall be One Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe in the same direction) except for infringements occurring within the Zone when the penalty shall be a Two Turns Penalty. As per RRS 44.2.

11 SCORING

11.1 Three races shall be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 When four or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.3 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst score.

12 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

12.1 Keelboats shall be afloat by 1730 on Friday 8th July and not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

13.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction applies to all communication devices except for any trackers supplied by the Class or Organising Authority.

14 PRIZES

14.1 The event main prize giving will be held in Cowes Yacht Haven as soon as possible after racing and any subsequent protests on Sunday 10th July.

14.2 The Corinthian Prize will be awarded to the highest placed boat whose crew are all classified as World Sailing Group 1.

15 MEDIA WAIVER

15.1 In participating in the event any competitor automatically grants the Organising Authority permission to make, use the show, from time to time, any motion pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the event without compensation, in perpetuity.

16 RISK STATEMENT

16.1 RRS 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.'

16.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

16.3 They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

16.4 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore;

16.5 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

16.6 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

16.7 The provision of a race management team, committee boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

17 INSURANCE

17.1 All Competitors shall be adequately and suitably insured before racing.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

18.1 For further information, please contact:

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