



INTERNATIONAL ETHELLES CLASS

2014 United States National Championship

VIII Annual Coral Reef Cup

March 20-23, 2014
Coral Reef Yacht Club
2484 South Bayshore Drive
Coconut Grove, Florida, 33133

NOTICE OF RACE

The organizing authority is the Coral Reef Yacht Club in conjunction with the United States International Etchells Class Association and Etchells Fleet 20.

1. **RULES:**
 - 1.1. The race will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), 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: 40, 60, 61.4, 63.2, 67, 76.1, and Appendix R.
 - 1.3. This regatta is classified as a Class B Sanctioned Event under the rules of the IECA.
 - 1.4. Skippers shall be Active members and crew Associate or Active members of the IECA.
 - 1.5. All competing boats shall carry a hand held VHF radio to be used exclusively for purposes of safety and Race Committee communications. The use of mobile telephones and other electronic communication devices is prohibited.
2. **ADVERTISING:**

Advertising will be restricted to International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Category A.
3. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:**
 - 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the International Etchells Class.
 - 3.2. Competitors shall comply with the rules of the IECA, and ISAF Regulation 19.
 - 3.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration by March 20, 2014 and paying the required fees at: <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID787>
4. **FEES:**
 - 4.1. The entry fee is \$350.00 per boat if received by February 1, 2014, and \$450.00 thereafter.
 - 4.2. There is a \$75.00 supplemental fee for a fourth crew member.

5. SCHEDULE:

Thursday, March 20, 2014	1630 - 1830 Registration and Check-In
Friday, March 21, 2014	0730 - 0845 Check-In 0900 Skipper's meeting - CRYC pool deck 1100 Warning signal first race Additional races to follow
Saturday, March 22, 2014:	1100 Warning signal first race Additional races to follow Competitor's dinner after racing
Sunday, March 23, 2014	1100 Warning signal first race Additional races to follow No warning after 1430.

6. MEASUREMENT:

- 6.1. Boats, rigs, and sails will not be measured but shall be in compliance with IECA.
- 6.2. Each boat shall present a valid Sail Measurement Card as well as a Hull & Spar Measurement Certificate at registration/check-in.
- 6.3. Competitors, at the time of registration, will declare from their sail card which sails they will use. No more than 1 mainsail, 2 jibs and 2 spinnakers which have been previously measured will be used.
- 6.4. Competitor's weigh in will be required at registration. There shall be three or four persons on each boat and their total combined weight in light clothing at the time of registration shall be no more than 285 kg.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Sailing instructions will be available at the time of registration/check-in and may be posted in advance on the event web site.

8. VENUE:

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

9. COURSES:

- 9.1. The courses will be windward – leeward.
- 9.2. An offset mark will be employed at mark 1 and a gate at mark 2.

10. PENALTIES:

- 10.1. The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 is changed where the penalty will be a one turn penalty including one tack and one jibe. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 10.2. A boat that breaks a rule of Part 2 within the 3 boat length zone around a mark will take a two turn penalty each turn including one tack and one jibe.

11. SCORING:

- 11.1. Eight races are scheduled with four completed races required to constitute the championship.

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 BOATS:

12.1.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 a 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 all 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.

12.4.Support boats shall comply with all instructions from the Race Committee and those set forth in the Sailing Instructions.

13. HAUL - OUT RESTRICTIONS:

13.1.Boats shall be afloat no later than the warning signal for the first race Friday, March 21, 2014.

13.2.Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta without written permission from the Race Committee.This changes RRS 45.

14. PRIZES:

14.1.U.S. National Champion, skipper and crew.

14.2.Second through fifth place overall, skipper and crew.

14.3.Individual race awards will be provided on a daily basis.

14.4.The Organizing Authority may provide additional prizes.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. 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.

16. 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 AT REGISTRATION.

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