



INTERNATIONAL ETHELLES CLASS  
**2012 United States National Championship**  
**March 22-25, 2012**  
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, 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, 68, 76.1, 76.3 and Appendix F.
- 1.3 This regatta is classified as an Appendix A, Category 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. Mobile telephones and other electronic communication devices are prohibited.

**2. ADVERTISING.**

- 2.1 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 attached form and sending together with the required fee to:  
Coral Reef Yacht Club, c/o P.J. Keenan  
50 Ocean Lane Drive, Apt 303  
Key Biscayne, Florida 33149.

**4. FEES:**

- 4.1 The entry fee is \$350.00 per boat if received by March 1, 2012, and \$450.00 thereafter.

**5. SCHEDULE.**

**5.1 Schedule:**

Thursday, March 22, 2012	1630 - 1830 Registration at CRYC
Friday, March 23, 2012	0730 - 0845 Registration at CRYC 0900 Skipper's meeting - pool deck 1055 Warning signal first race Races to follow
Saturday, March 24, 2012	1055 Warning signal first race Races to follow
Sunday, March 25, 2012	1055 Warning signal first race Races to follow

- 5.2 On Sunday, March 24, no race shall be started after 1430.



## 6. MEASUREMENT.

6.1 Boats, rigs, and sails will not be measured but shall be in compliance with IECA.

6.2 Competitor 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. IECA rule 11H is amended to state, reweighing will be at the direction of the jury.

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.

## 7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

7.1 Sailing instructions will be available at the time of registration and will be posted in advance on the CRYC web site.

## 8. VENUE.

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

8.2 See S.I. Addendum #1: RACING AREA.

## 9. COURSES.

9.1 The courses will be windward – leeward. See S.I. Addendum #2: COURSES.

9.2 An offset mark will be employed at mark 1 and a gate at mark 2.

## 10. PROTESTS.

10.1 There will be an international jury constituted according to Appendix N.

10.2 Protest forms will be available at the jury desk located in the clubhouse central hall.

10.3 The jury information board will be in the clubhouse central hall.

10.4 Protests will be delivered to the jury desk within one hour of the docking of the signal boat. The signal boat docking time will be posted on the official notice board.

## 11. PENALTIES

11.1 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 rule 44.1.

11.2 A boat that breaks a rule of Part 2 within the 3 boat length zone around a mark will take a two turns penalty each turn including one tack and one jibe.

## 12. SCORING.

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

12.2 The Low Point System, Appendix A - Scoring, will apply. After five races have been completed a boat's worst score will be excluded.

## 13. SUPPORT BOATS.

13.1 Support boats shall register at the registration desk. Identifying flags will be issued and displayed at all times while on the water.

13.2 Team leaders, coaches, and other support personnel shall not communicate with any boat 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 the warning signal until all boats have finished the race, or until the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

13.3 Support boats shall have on board a VHF radio and monitor channel 71.

## 14. HAUL - OUT RESTRICTIONS.

14.1 Boats shall be afloat no later than the warning signal for the first race Friday, March 23, 2012.

14.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta without written permission from the jury. This changes rule 45.



15. PRIZES.

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

15.2 Second through fifth place overall, skipper and crew.

15.3 Individual race first place, skipper and crew.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY.

16.1 Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. Coral Reef Yacht Club and 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, prior to, during, or after the regatta. The safety of a boat and her crew and decision to race is the sole responsibility of the person in charge and crew.

17. INSURANCE.

17.1 Each participating boat is required to hold adequate insurance including 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.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION.

18.1 For further regatta information contact P.J. Keenan at [pjkeenanaol@aol.com](mailto:pjkeenanaol@aol.com)  
305-205-6271.

18.2 The CRYC web site is [www.coralreefyachtclub.org](http://www.coralreefyachtclub.org)  
305-858-1733

18.3 CRYC Website will provide:

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Regatta schedule

CRYC credit card information

CRYC facilities information