# 2021 ETCHELLS NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIP AT Shelter Island Yacht Club

12 Chequit Ave. Shelter Island Heights NY 11965 (631) 749 - 0888 September 23-26, 2021

# NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) is The Shelter Island Yacht Club and Etchells Fleet 15

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The Regatta is an Etchells Class C sanctioned event under Appendix A of the International Etchells Class Association (IECA) Rules. The IECA Rules and Regulations will apply except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 The Organizing Authority shall require bow numbers to be installed on competing boats. Bow numbers will be provided by the Organizing Authority.
- 1.4 All competing boats shall carry an operating, handheld VHF radio for safety purposes and Race Committee communication.
- 1.5 The Jury may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of non-Part 2 rules. This changes RRS 64.2.
- 1.6 No US Sailing Prescriptions will apply except RRS 61.4, prescriptions to RRS 60.3, 63.2, 67, 76.1, and Appendix V1.

#### 2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 In accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.5.1, no advertising shall be displayed pursuant to World Sailing 20.3.2 (Advertising chosen by Person in Charge on hulls, spars, and sails) in all Etchells Class Sanctioned Events.
- 2.2 The Organizing Authority may require all participating boats to display the event sponsor's advertising in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.4.

## **3. ELIGIBILITY**

- 3.1 The regatta is open to Active Skippers of the International Etchells Class. All skippers and crew are required to be registered 2021 Active or Associate members of the IECA.
- 3.2 A Corinthian Division will be established. The awarding of the trophy will be open to boats whose Skipper and crew are registered members of the International

Etchells Class and hold a valid Group 1 Classification in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 22 – Sailor Classification Code. Categorization can be obtained online at <a href="https://www.sailing.org/classification\_form.php">www.sailing.org/classification\_form.php</a>

- 3.3 In accordance with IECA Appendix A Championship Rules and Class Rules C.2.1 and C.2.2. Crew weigh-ins shall be done at Registration during the times indicated below under **Schedule and Events**. Competitors shall be weighed as a team wearing light clothing, minimum being outer wear shorts and T-shirt. There will be no mid-regatta weigh-in.
- 3.4 The total combined weight of crew members for each boat will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

#### 4. ENTRY AND FEES

- 4.1 Entries shall be made online on <u>www.YachtScoring.com</u> using the on-line entry form. The Shelter Island Yacht Club website (<u>www.SIYC.com</u>) will also include a registration link to Yacht Scoring. Only on-line entries will be accepted.
- 4.2 \$450 Registration Fee (additional \$50 for 4th Crew Member)
- 4.3 No entry will be accepted after September 1, 2021.
- 4.4 The entry fee includes launching, hauling, and docking at the Shelter Island Yacht Cub, and parking for boat trailers during the event. The entry fee also includes invitations to all social events for the Owner/Charterer and their crew. Social packages for coaches and/or guests will be available for purchase online and at registration as described under 4.5 and 4.6.
- 4.5 The Coach/Support boat fee is \$100 each and is payable at registration and includes one social package. An identifying flag issued by the Organizing Authority shall be displayed on each support boat.
- 4.6 Non-competitor social packages may be purchased online at Yacht Scoring or when registering for \$100 each.
- 4.7 Boats may arrive and remain at SIYC 2 weeks before and 1 week after the event dates at no charge. Each Competitor is responsible for storage before or after these dates.

#### **5. SCHEDULE AND EVENTS**

5.1 Schedule:

Thursday, Sept 23rd	09:00 - 18:00 12:30 14:00 18:00 18:30	Registration, Weigh-in and Launching Competitors' Briefing (Practice Race) Practice Race All Etchells afloat Welcome reception *
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Friday, Sept 24th	07:30-09:30 09:30 12:00 TBA	Supplemental crew weigh-in Competitor's Briefing Harbor Start Post-race gathering (casual) *
Saturday, Sept 25 <sup>th</sup>	09:30 11:00 18:00	Competitors' Briefing Harbor Start Regatta Dinner *
Sunday, Sept 26 <sup>th</sup>	09:30 11:00 15:00 TBD TBD	Competitors' Briefing Harbor Start No Warning signal after Haul-out Awards *

- \* The Regatta will be conducted in accordance with any state, local, or SIYC regulations or directives related to COVID-19. Any changes to the event activities or procedures will be communicated via addendums. Any boat that cannot travel to the event due to changing travel restrictions will receive a full refund.
- 5.2 Three races each day are scheduled for Friday and Saturday and two races on Sunday. One additional race per day may be sailed, provided that the fleet does not become more than one race ahead of schedule. There will be a maximum of eight (8) races completed.
- 5.3 On the final day of the regatta, the Initial Warning Signal for the final race will not be made after 15:00 hours.

## 6. REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 All competitors, coaches, guests, etc. will be required to obtain a "guest" card upon arrival, instead of using a reciprocal club charge. In addition, upon arrival all boat owners MUST complete a registration form available at the front desk and include an emergency contact number.
- 6.2 In addition to on-line entry and payment, complete registration/check-in requires completion and inspection/delivery of the following forms:
  - 1) Valid Hull and Spar Measurement Certificate
  - 2) World Sailing Sailor Classification (copy to be provided at registration) -If skipper wishes to be eligible for Corinthian Division scoring
  - 3) Sails Declaration Form (Form available at registration and online)
  - 4) Safety Equipment Declaration Form (Form available at registration and online)
  - 5) Proof of Insurance, copy to be provided at registration

- 6.3 Each Competitor shall verify safety gear on their vessel and complete and submit a Safety Declaration Form at registration.
- 6.4 Each Competitor shall complete a Sail Declaration Form indicating the sails to be used for the duration of the New England Championship including one main, two jibs and two spinnakers. The sails on the Sail Declaration Form are the only sails to be used for the regatta.
- 6.5 It is the responsibility of all competing boats to ensure compliance and adherence to the Etchells Class rules. During competition any boat may be subject to measurement or examination at any time.

#### **7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on Yacht Scoring and posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 7.2 The Official Notice Board is located on the South Deck in the Main Club house.

## 8. VENUE AND COURSES

- 8.1 All races will be sailed in the vicinity and the waters surrounding Shelter Island.
- 8.2 Regatta headquarters will be at the Shelter Island Yacht Club.
- 8.3 The courses will be windward/leeward courses using inflatable drop marks.
- 8.4 It is the intention that the courses will comply with the current IECA Appendix D
  Championship Sailing Instructions except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.

## 9. PENALTY SYSTEM

9.1 US Sailing Prescription V1 will apply.

## **10. SCORING**

- 10.1 Three races will constitute a regatta.
- 10.2 When five (5) races or less have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.3 When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 11. PRIZES

- 11.1 Awards shall be provided to the top five boats in the regatta and top three Corinthian teams. Additional prizes may be given at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 11.2 The Corinthian Trophy will be awarded to the top Corinthian team.

#### **12. COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS**

- 12.1 Coach and support boats as well as the designated responsible person must be registered with the Organizing Authority prior to acting as a coach or support boat and shall be marked with identifying flags issued by the Organizing Authority. Boats shall display identifying flags at all times while they are acting as a coach or support boat.
- 12.2 All registered coach and support boats will carry on board and operate while on the water a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF Channels and agree to assist the Race Committee if directed to do so.
- 12.3 Competitors shall have no communication with, and boats shall not be tied to, coach or support boats 10 minutes before the first scheduled Warning Signal of the day until racing has been concluded for the day (Discretionary Penalty applies). The 10 minute notification method will be identified in the Sailing Instructions. Between races, coach or support boats shall not approach, communicate with or transfer provisions or equipment to or from their supported boats unless in a medical or emergency requirement threatening the health of the crew or the flotation of the boat and only with the expressed permission of the Race Committee.

#### **13. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

- 13.1 A boat shall be afloat no later than 18:00 on Thursday, September 23, and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.
- 13.2 Plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around competing yachts between the close of registration and the end of the regatta.

## **14. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

- 14.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and other electronic devices.
- 14.2 The Race Committee intends to use VHF marine radio frequencies to broadcast courtesy information to competitors. The Race Committee's VHF channel will be provided at the Competitors' Briefing and posted on the Official Notice board.
- 14.3 All competitors shall carry a VHF radio per the Etchells class rules.

#### **15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority 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. It is also Competitors' responsibility to follow all applicable COVID guidelines and protocols.

#### **16. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

#### **17. PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RIGHTS**

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

#### **18. BOAT AND VEHICLE STORAGE OUTSIDE REGATTA DATES**

- 18.1 Competitors may leave their boats at SIYC for two weeks before and 1 week after the Regatta at no charge. HOWEVER, upon arrival all boat owners MUST complete a registration form available at the front desk and include an emergency contact number.
- 18.2 Storage options prior to September 9 can be made by contacting <u>RC@SIYC.com</u>

#### **19. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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