



2023 INTERNATIONAL ETHELLES BISCAYNE BAY REGATTA SERIES (IEBBS)

BISCAYNE BAY YACHT CLUB
2540 South Bayshore Drive
Coconut Grove, Florida 33133

NOTICE OF REGATTA SERIES

Etchells Fleet 20 is the organizing authority (OA), the Biscayne Bay Yacht Club (BBYC) is the host club, and the BBYC Regatta Committee is designated as the race committee (RC).

1 RULES:

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The first two sentences of RRS 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 RRS 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."
- 1.3 In RRS 44.2 insert after the first sentence: "However, if Mark 1a (offset mark) is set, a boat may take a penalty for an incident in the zone around Mark 1 or on the leg between Mark 1 and Mark 1a, as soon as possible after leaving the zone around Mark 1a."
- 1.4 Except for breaking a rule of Part 1 or 2 or RRS 31, the protest committee (PC) may impose a discretionary penalty (DP) less than disqualification, in accordance with RRS 64.2.
- 1.5 The International Etchells Class Association (IECA) Rules and Regulations will apply except as modified by the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.6 No US Sailing rules and prescriptions will apply except RRS 61.4, Appendix R, Appendix V1, prescriptions to RRS 60.3, 67, 70.5(a) and 76.1.
- 1.7 RRS APPENDIX T, ARBITRATION, will be offered. The Scoring Penalty, T1(b) is changed to 20%.
- 1.8 The OA shall require bow numbers to be installed on competing boats. Bow numbers will be provided by the OA.
- 1.9 The Louis Piana Cup and Sidney Doren Memorial Regatta are classified as IECA Open events.
- 1.10 The Florida State Championship and US Midwinters East Regatta are designated as IECA Class C sanctioned events by the North American Etchells Association. All skippers must be Active Members of the IECA and crew must be Active Members or Associate Members for these two events.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions (SI) will be available on the Official Notice Board (ONB) at Yacht Scoring by November 15th, 2022

3 COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 The ONB is located online at https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board.cfm?eid=15436.
- 3.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US VHF Marine 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 SI.
- 3.4 [DP] The use of mobile/cell phones, or any device capable of sending and/or receiving external electronic communication and/or connecting to the internet is prohibited after the first Warning Signal on each race day until the boat has completed racing that day, except in an emergency threatening the safety of any member of the crew or the flotation of the boat.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The events are open to all boats of the Etchells Class, with a valid measurement certificate. The skipper shall be an Active Member of the IECA.
- 4.2 A Corinthian Division will be established at registration for each event. To be eligible, a boat's skipper and crew are required to have a current Group 1, World Sailing Sailor Categorization Code, Regulation 22, classification at the time of registration. (Apply here: <https://www.sailing.org/classification>).
- 4.3 For the Florida State Championship and US Midwinters East Regatta, in accordance with IECA Appendix A – Championship Rules and Class Rules C.2.1 and C.2.2, crew weigh-ins will be during registration during the times indicated in NOR 7 (**SCHEDULE**). Competitors will be weighed as a team wearing light clothing, minimum being outer wear shorts and t-shirt.
- 4.4 Entries shall be made online at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15436> using the online entry form. Only online entries will be accepted. The Etchells Fleet 20 website (www.etchellsfleet20.org) will include a registration link to Yachtscoring.
- 4.5 Boats can be entered for an individual event or the complete Etchells Biscayne Bay Regatta Series.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Entry fees for the events are:
 - 5.1.1 Louis Piana Cup, Sid Doren Memorial Regatta and Florida State Championship, \$300 each event.
 - 5.1.2 US Midwinters East Regatta, \$500.
 - 5.1.3 Complete IEBBR Series \$1,400.
 - 5.1.4 For the individual events, entries and full payment must be received by 18:00 on the Monday preceding the event. Late entries for an event may be accepted with a \$100 late fee.
- 5.2 For the complete Series a \$100.00 discount will be applied if paid in full before November 15, 2022. Go to the 2022 Piana Cup page on Yachtscoring and check the boxes for entering four regattas and check the box for the discount.
- 5.3 Any boat that cannot travel to the event due to changing travel COVID-19 restrictions will receive a full refund.
- 5.4 Support/Coach Boat fee is \$100 per event.
- 5.5 Payments shall be made on-line through Yachtscoring using a credit card or Pay Pal.

6 ADVERTISING

- 6.1 The OA may require all participating boats to display the event sponsor's advertising in accordance with WS Regulation 20.4

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Schedule:

Louis Piana Cup:	December 10-11, 2022	
Friday, December 09, 2022	09:00-12:00; 16:00-18:00	Registration/check-in
Saturday, December 10, 2022	09:00 10:55	Competitor's Briefing First warning (3 races scheduled)
Sunday, December 11, 2022	09:00 10:55	Competitor's Briefing First warning (2 races scheduled)
Sidney Doren Memorial Regatta:	January 14-15, 2023	
Friday, January 13, 2023	09:00-12:00; 16:00-18:00	Registration/check-in
Saturday, January 14, 2023	09:00 10:55	Competitor's Briefing First warning (3 races scheduled)
Sunday, January 15, 2023	09:00 10:55	Competitor's Briefing First warning (2 races scheduled)
Florida State Championship:	February 4-5, 2023	
Friday, February 3, 2023	09:00-12:00; 16:00-18:00	Registration/weigh-in
Saturday, February 4, 2023	08:00-08:45 09:00 10:55	Crew weigh-in Competitor's Briefing First warning (3 races scheduled)
Sunday, February 5, 2023	09:00 10:55	Competitor's Briefing First warning (2 races scheduled)

US Midwinters East Regatta:	February 24-26, 2023	
Thursday, February 23, 2023	09:00-12:00; 16:00-18:00	Registration/weigh-in
Friday, February 24, 2023	08:00-08:45 09:00 10:55	Crew weigh-in Competitor's Briefing First warning (3 races scheduled)
Saturday, February 25, 2023	09:00 10:55	Competitor's Briefing First warning (3 races scheduled)
Sunday, February 26, 2023	09:00 10:55	Competitor's Briefing First warning (2 races scheduled)

- 7.2 Louis Piana Cup: December 10-11, 2022. Registration/check-in: December 9th. (Enter the Piana Cup or the entire 2023 Biscayne Bay Series online at: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15436>)
- 7.3 Sidney Doren Memorial Regatta: January 14-15, 2023. Registration/check-in: January 13th. (Enter the Sidney Doren Memorial online at: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15437>)
- 7.4 Florida State Championship: February 4-5, 2023. Registration/weigh-in: February 3rd. (Enter the Florida State Championships online at: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15438>)
- 7.5 US Midwinters East Regatta: February 24-26, 2023. Registration/weigh-in: February 23rd. (Enter the US Midwinters East Regatta online at: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15439>)
- 7.6 Five races are scheduled for each event and one completed race will constitute an event, except eight races are scheduled for the US Midwinters East Regatta and two completed races will constitute this event.
- 7.7 Three races each day are scheduled for Friday and/or Saturday, and two races are scheduled for Sunday.
- 7.8 On the Sunday of each event, no warning signal will be made after 14:00 hours.

8 REGISTRATION

- 8.1 To complete registration requires completion and inspection/delivery of the following:
- On-line entry and payment
 - Valid Hull & Spar Measurement Certificate
 - Sails Declaration Form - indicating the sails to be used for the duration of each regatta including one main, two jibs and two spinnakers. The sails on the sail declaration form shall be identified by serial number and are the only sails to be used for the event. (Form available at registration and online).
 - Safety Equipment Declaration Form (Form available at registration and online).
 - Proof of Insurance - copy to be provided at or before registration.
 - Waiver of Liability Form (shall be signed by all members of the crew)
- 8.2 For the Louis Piana Cup and Sidney Doren Memorial Regattas, skippers or a designated crew are required to check-in at the regatta desk located on the first floor of the BBYC clubhouse prior to each event before racing. There will be no boat, rig, or sail measurements, and no weigh-in. See NOR 5 (Schedule and Events) for details.
- 8.3 For the Florida State Championship and US Midwinters East Regatta, skippers and crew are required to check-in at the regatta desk located on the first floor of the BBYC clubhouse prior to each event before racing. There will be no boat, rig, or sail measurements. Crew weigh-ins will be during registration during the times indicated in NOR 7(**SCHEDULE**).
- 8.4 *Support persons* and their vessels shall be registered in accordance with NOR 13 (Support Persons and Vessels).
- 8.5 The registration desk will be open from 09:00 to 11:00 and from 16:00 to 18:00, on the day before the first scheduled day of racing for the events listed above.

9 INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions, applicable US Sailing rules and prescriptions and amendments will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) at Yachtscoring prior to registration.

10 VENUE AND COURSES

- 10.1 Races will be sailed on Biscayne Bay. The courses will be windward/leeward as described in the sailing instructions.
- 10.2 Regatta headquarters will be at the BBYC.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 The word “series” is replaced by “event” in RRS A2.1.
- 11.2 RRS A2.2 shall not apply.
- 11.3 The “number of boats entered in the series” is replaced by “number of boats that came to the starting area for the event” in rule A5.2
- For the Louis Piana Cup, Sid Doren Memorial Regatta and Florida State Championship, when fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat’s event score will be the total of her race scores. For the Louis Piana Cup, Sid Doren Memorial Regatta and Florida State Championship, when five (5) races have been completed, a boat’s event score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- For the US Midwinters East Regatta, when fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat’s event score will be the total of her race scores. For the US Midwinters East Regatta, when six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat’s event score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.4 For the IEBBRS Championship prizes, a boat’s score will be her overall score from the US Midwinters East Regatta added to her lowest total overall scores in two (2) of the other three regattas (Louis Piana Cup, Sid Doren Memorial, or Florida State Championship).

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 For each individual event in the Series, prizes shall be provided to the first through fifth place overall in the event and first through third place for the Corinthian Division.
- 12.2 Boats registered in the Corinthian Division are also eligible for overall prizes.
- 12.3 For the IEBBRS Championship, the top three boats will receive prizes.
- 12.4 For the US Midwinters East Regatta, the first place Corinthian boat will receive the *International Etchells US East Midwinters – Top Corinthian* trophy donated by Pat Stadel.

13 SUPPORT PERSONS AND VESSELS

- 13.1 *Support persons* and their vessels shall be registered with the OA prior to acting as a coach or support boat and shall be marked with identifying flags issued by the OA. Support boats shall display identifying flags at all times while they are acting as a coach or support vessel.
- 13.2 All registered *support persons* and vessels shall carry a VHF radio while on the water, monitor the race committee and agree to assist the Race Committee if directed to do so.
- 13.3 [DP] Competitors shall have no communication with, and boats shall not be tied to coach or support vessels from 15 minutes before the first Warning Signal of the day until racing has been concluded for the day. Between races, *support persons* and vessels 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 safety of the crew or the flotation of the boat and only with the expressed permission of the Race Committee.
- 13.4 [DP] Team leaders, coaches, other *support persons* and their coach and support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from 15 minutes before the first Warning Signal of the day until racing has been concluded for the day.
- 13.5 *Support persons* and guests during events may not launch their vessels or store trailers on the BBYC club grounds, and docking is not permitted except on the BBYC west seawall.

14 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 14.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

15 RISK STATEMENT

- 15.1 Before participating in this event, every owner, competitor and support person shall sign a Waiver of Liability on Yachtscoring.
- 15.2 Competitors participate in these events entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the events.

- 15.3 RRS3 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. Among other 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 among others resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury by or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.**

16 INSURANCE

- 16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$100,000/\$300,000 USD per incident or the equivalent.

17 MEDIA RIGHTS AND DATA PROTECTION

- 17.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the OA 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 STORAGE

- 18.1 Competitors requesting boat storage at BBYC must submit a fully completed BBYC guest registration form and complete the Yachtscoring Biscayne Bay Series entry including fee(s). Etchells storage at the club is limited to approximately 25 boats and will be assigned on a first to register and pay entry fees, first accepted basis. Entry fees do not include fees for boat and trailer storage. There are nearby launching/storage facilities. Contact them directly for information: Shake A Leg Miami at www.shakealegmiami.org , or US Sailing Center at www.usscmiami.org .

19 COVID-19 REGULATIONS AND DIRECTIVES

- 19.1 THE 2023 IEBBRS will be conducted in accordance with national, state, local, or BBYC regulations related to COVID-19. Event officials may implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or regulations. Any changes to the event activities or procedures will be communicated via addendums and emails to the competitors.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 20.1 The Fleet 20 website www.etchellsfleet20.org will provide additional information.
- 20.2 Official Notice Board website at Yacht Scoring: https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm?eid=15436
- 20.3 For inquiries about the 2023 Etchells Biscayne Bay Series:
Regatta Chairman: Jeff Nehms – racings@etchellsfleet20.org
BBYC Boat Storage: Ezra Culver – racings@etchellsfleet20.org
Regatta Committee Chairman: Bruce Harper – wbruceharpjr@hotmail.com
Race Officer: Dave Brennan – david@redsailtld.com
Protest Committee Chairman: Tom Rinda - mercofl@aol.com
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