

2018 New England Championship

NOTICE OF RACE

New England Championship | June 16 & 17 | Shelter Island, NY

1. VENUE / AUTHORITY

- 1.1 Shelter Island Yacht Club, in conjunction with the US Etchells Class Association, invites all members and associates of the International Etchells class to the 2018 New England Championship.
 - The US Etchells Class Association is the organizing authority and SIYC/Fleet 15 are the hosts for the regatta. The regatta will be sailed on the waters around Shelter Island, NY.
- 1.2 The regatta will be managed by the Regatta Committees of SIYC/Fleet 15 and the US Etchells Class Association.

2. RULES:

- 2.1 The Regatta will be governed by the "Rules" as defined in the Current Racing Rules of Sailing (2017-2020 RRS).
- 2.2 All Prescriptions of US Sailing will apply.
- 2.3 New England Championship is a "Class C Sanctioned Event" under Appendix "A" of the International Etchells Class rules, and all Skippers are required to be current members of the International Etchells Class Association. In addition all registered crew are required to be associate members.
- 2.4 The Organizing Authority may require all participating boats to display the event sponsor's advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.3. (d) (i).
- 2.5 The International Etchells Class Rules are changed as follows: All competing boats shall carry a hand held VHF radio for safety purposes, and Race Committee communications.
- 2.6 All additional information related to New England Championship will be available at www.yachtscoring.com.
- 2.7 For Class A, B and C events, the Organizing Authority shall verify compliance with Class Rule C.2.2 by weighing each participant wearing light clothing being a minimum of outerwear shorts and t-shirt and determining and posting on the Official Notice Board each entry's total weight before the first race.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

3.1 The Regatta is open to all boats of the International Etchells Class.

4. ENTRY FEES:

- 4.1 The entry fee for the New England Championship is \$200.
- 4.2 All boats must complete the Entry Forms found on the Yacht Scoring Website by Friday June 15th.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday – June 15th	0900:	Hoist will be available all day for boat launching
	1700:	Refreshments & Snacks served on the back deck
Saturday – June 16th	0930:	All boats must be in the water
	1100:	First Warning Signal
	1800:	Dinner & Refreshments provided
		Cocktails available at SIYC Bar
Sunday – June 17th	1000:	First Warning Signal
	1600:	No Warning Signal after this time
	1730:	Awards – Refreshments & Snacks served

6. MEASUREMENT:

6.1 All yachts and crew will be required to conform with rules of the International Etchells Class Association.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

7.1 The SIs for the New England Championship will be available at registration and at the skippers meeting and will be posted on the event's web page.

8. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS:

8.1 No boat shall be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the event PRO.

9. COURSES:

9.1 The courses will be Windward-Leeward. Windward offset marks and leeward gate marks may be used.

10. SCORING:

10.1 The Low Point Scoring System as described in Appendix "A" of the RRS will apply, except that if more than 5 races are completed in a regatta, a boat may exclude her worst score.

11. PRIZES:

11.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 boats.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

- 12.1 The safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the sole inescapable responsibility of the owner/owners' representative. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host clubs, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 12.2 Entrants in the New England Championship are required to complete the Entry Form posted on the Yacht Scoring site prior to competing.

13. MANDATORY INSURANCE:

13.1 Each boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third-party liability insurance, and it is the owner or owners' representative'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 will be required.**

14. SUPPORT BOATS:

14.1 Support boats shall register with the Race Committee prior to the Skippers Meeting. Support boats will be given an identifying flag and assigned a number. The identifying flag shall be flown at all times during the regatta and all support boats are required to monitor and comply with instructions given on VHF 72 during the regatta.

15. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- 15.1 Information about the 2018 New England Championship can be obtained by contacting:
 - 15.1.1. Jeff Bresnahan, 860-867-6197 or rc@siyc.com
 - 15.1.2. Andrew Rowsom, 631-827-0479 or arowsom@gmail.com
 - 15.1.3. Don Jones, 646-342-6372 or donaldjonesf@gmail.com
 - 15.1.4. Chris Constant, 917-532-7155 or cjconstant21@gmail.com