



International Etchells Class

2018 Southern Area Championships

ROYAL THAMES YACHT CLUB

Saturday 14th April to Sunday 15th April 2018

NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 1.1 The Organising Authority is Royal Thames Yacht Club Limited in conjunction with the Cowes Etchells Fleet.

2. Rules

- 2.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020.
- 2.2 The International Etchells Class Rules will apply.
- 2.3 No boat, rig, sail measurements, sail cards or crew weights will officially be taken.
- 2.4 Sails may be borrowed in accordance with Etchells Class Rule C10.3(i).

3. Advertising

- 3.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with Class Rules and World Sailing Regulation 20. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and/or supplied by the Organising Authority.

4. Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1 The event is open to boats of the International Etchells Class whose owner and crews are current members of the Class Association.
- 4.2 Entry is via Yacht Scoring www.yachtscoring.com

5. Fees

- 5.1 The entry fee for the event is £160.00 per boat.

6. Venue

- 6.1 The Regatta Venue and Regatta Office will be at Cowes Yacht Haven.

7. Schedule

	Saturday 14th April	Sunday 15th April
HW Portsmouth	1025 4.4m	1058 4.5m
Crew Briefing	1000	
First Warning Signal	1155	1025
Prizegiving at CYH		As soon as possible after racing

- 7.1 The event will consist of six races.
- 7.2 The intention is that there will be no more than 4 races a day.

7.3 On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1430.

8. Sailing Instructions

8.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at the Briefing and will be published on the Yacht Scoring website no later than the day before the regatta.

9. Courses

9.1 Racing will be in the Solent from a Committee Boat.

9.2 The format will be windward/leeward.

10. Penalties

10.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of RRS Part 2 shall be a One Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe in the same direction) except that for infringements occurring within the Zone when the penalty shall be a Two Turns Penalty (two tacks and two gybes in the same direction). Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two Turns penalty is replaced by a One Turn penalty.

11. Scoring

11.1 1 race shall be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.3 When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst score.

12. Haul-Out Restrictions

12.1 All shall be afloat by 1730 the day before the first race and not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

13. Radio Communication

13.1 All boats shall carry a working marine band VHF radio capable of receiving all normal international channels.

13.2 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction applies to all communication devices except to any tracker which might be supplied.

14. Prizes

14.1 The First Prize is the RTYC Decanter. The winner will be invited to the Royal Thames Yacht Club Prize Winners' Dinner in November 2018 to receive it. There will also be a prizegiving at the event, which will be held at Cowes Yacht Haven as soon as possible after the final day's racing and any subsequent protests on Sunday 15th April.

14.2 The Corinthian Prize will be awarded to the highest placed boat sailed under World Sailing Classification Group 1. Only those crews competing for the Corinthian prize must provide their World Sailing, sailor classification number before racing starts.

15. Risk Statement

YOU MUST TICK AGREEMENT TO THIS ON THE YACHT SCORING WEB SITE ENTRY

Liability Waiver Declaration by Owner/ Skipper

I understand that Yacht Racing can be dangerous and accept my responsibilities as set out in the Risk Statement in the Notice of Race. Before racing I will effect adequate and suitable insurance and ensure that my crew is aware of:

- The undertaking of this Declaration
- The importance of effecting appropriate personal insurance
- Their responsibility in rules observance, and in particular RRS 1.2

(Wearing personal floatation devices adequate for the conditions). I agree to be bound by RRS, RYA Prescriptions, the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and other applicable rules. The boat and sails will be available for inspection. If any alteration likely to affect the boat is made, e.g. to sails, rig, mast ballast or trim, I will notify the Race Committee immediately. I will ensure that no crew member races contrary to the terms of any ban imposed by World Sailing, a National Authority or the OA. In participating in the event any competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority permission to make, use and show, from time to time, any motion pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the event without compensation, in perpetuity. I understand and agree that the information given in this race entry and also the Race entry lists and results will be maintained on the Class's or OA's computer to be used for all aspects of race organization including publicity.

16. Insurance

- 16.1 Each participating boat is required to hold insurance cover and in particular to hold adequate insurance against third party claims of at least £2 million.

17. Chartered or Loaned Boats

- 17.1 RRS G3 applies.

18. Further Information

- 18.1 For further information, please contact: Jan Ford, Etchells Class Secretary, at secretary@etchellsukfleet.co.uk
- 18.2 Royal Thames Yacht Club 60 Knightsbridge, London SW1X 7LF, email: sailingassistant@royalthames.com

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Competitors and their supporters in the Etchells Southern Area Championship are invited to attend the following:

Date: Saturday 14th
Time: 1930
Location: Royal Ocean Racing Club, Cowes
Cost: £26 per head