

APPENDIX B (Updated October 2007)

STANDARD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
(World Championship Sailing Instructions shall be submitted to the IGC for approval)

This guide provides a set of sailing instructions designed primarily for World Championships and may be modified and adapted for other sanctioned events.

The principles on which all sailing instructions should be based are as follows:

- 1 They should include only two types of statement: the intentions of the race committee and the obligations of competitors.
- 2 They should be concerned only with racing. Information about social events, assignment of moorings, etc. should be provided separately.
- 3 They should not change the racing rules except when clearly desirable.
- 4 They should not repeat or restate any of the racing rules.
- 5 They should not repeat themselves.
- 6 They should be in chronological order; that is, the order in which the competitor will use them.
- 7 They should, when possible, use words or phrases from the racing rules.

INTERNATIONAL ETHELLS CLASS

20__ World Championship

____ Yacht Club, _____

XX to YY July 20__

The Organising Authority is the _____ Yacht Club in conjunction with the _____ Etechells Fleet (or theYacht Club if no Etechells fleet is involved)

REGATTA OFFICIALS

| | | |
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| Event Organiser: | _____ | Chairman |
| Race Committee: | _____ | Chairman |
| International Jury: | _____ | Chairman |
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20__ World Championship SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2005 – 2008 (RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the _____ national authority will not apply (for World Championships only where applicable).
- 1.3 The rules of the International Etchells Class Association will apply except as modified by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 The Championship is an ISAF Recognised Event and is sanctioned by the International Etchells Class as a Class A event. All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of the International Etchells Class and shall comply with the ISAF Eligibility Code, Regulation 19.
- 1.5 This is a Category A event pursuant to the ISAF Advertising Code and Etchells Class Rules. The Organising Authority may require all participating boats to display the event sponsor's advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.3 (d) (i).
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between rules or regulations, other than RRS, the Sailing Instructions will prevail.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at _____.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before _____ hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at _____.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than _____ minutes' in race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.
- 4.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, RRS 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes RRS Part 4 Preamble.

5 REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Eligible boats shall register with the Organising Authority on _____ and _____ between _____ hours and _____ hours. Registration formalities as detailed in the Notice of Race are required to be completed by _____ hours on _____.
- 5.2 All boats will be issued with bow numbers at registration. Bow numbers are to be attached to the forward part of each side of each boat, with the after part of the bow number to be no more than one metre from measurement point A and the top of the bow number to be no more than 20 millimetres below the gunwhale. No numbers may wrap around the stem or the gunwale and the spacing between characters shall be 70 mm.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Racing is scheduled as follows:

| Date | Race | Time |
|--------------|---------------|-------|
| Day and Date | Practice Race | _____ |
| Day and Date | Race 1 | _____ |
| Day and Date | Race 2 | _____ |
| Day and Date | Race 3 | _____ |
| Day and Date | Race 4 | _____ |
| Day and Date | Race 5 | _____ |
| Day and Date | Race 6 | _____ |
| Day and Date | Race 7 | _____ |
| Day and Date | Race 8 | _____ |
| Day and Date | Race 9 | _____ |
| Day and Date | Reserve Day | _____ |

6.2 Nine races are scheduled and more than one race may be sailed on any race day.

6.3. The Reserve Day,, will be used only if it is necessary to complete six races required to constitute a series.

6.4 The Class International Governing Committee may permit the Race Committee to deviate from the above schedule.

6.5 When more than one race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that another race will begin soon, flag L will be displayed at the finish of the previous race.

6.6 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after _____.

7 CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the Etchells Class insignia on a white background or Flag E.

8 RACING AREA

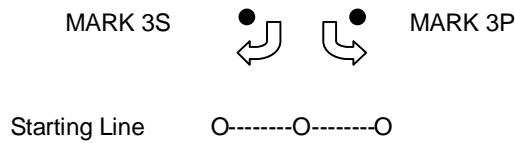
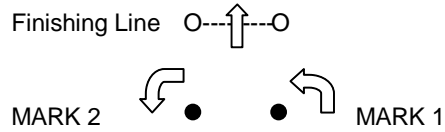
Racing will take place in the vicinity of _____.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The diagrams below show the course configuration, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. The approximate length of the windward legs will be _____nm.

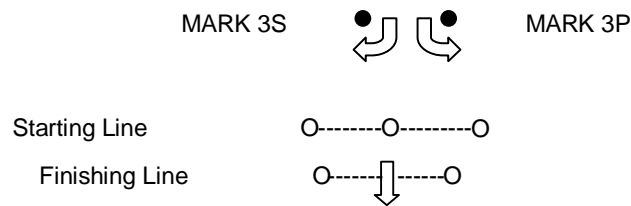
Course 1

Start – 1 – 2 - 3P/3S – 1 – 2 - 3P/3S – Finish



Course 2

Start – 1 – 2 – 3P/3S – 1 – 2 – Finish



9.2 The course to be sailed will be designated by displaying Numeral Pennant 1 or 2 from the race committee vessel no later than the warning signal.

9.3 The race committee vessel may display the approximate compass bearing from the Starting Line to Mark 1.

9.4 When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.

9.5 Courses may be shortened in accordance with RRS 32 and Race Signals.

10 MARKS

10.1 Marks 1, 2, 3P and 3S will be _____.

10.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be _____.

10.3 The starting and finishing marks will be _____.

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.

11.2 The starting line will be between the signal mast displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and a _____ mark at the port end.

11.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after the starting signal will be scored DNS.

This changes RRS A4.1.

11.4. A Race Committee boat stationed near Mark 1 will display the bow numbers of boats that have violated RRS 30.3. Other Race Committee boats may also be used along the first windward leg for such display. Boats identified under this instruction shall promptly leave the race course and not interfere with boats still racing.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position. The change will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark (or finishing line) may not yet be in the new position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the moved mark may be relocated without further signalling to maintain the course configuration. This changes RRS 33.

13 THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line will be between the signal mast displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and a _____ mark at the port end.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 shall be a One Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe in the same direction) except that for infringements occurring within the Two Length Zone the penalty shall be a Two Turns Penalty (two tacks and two gybes in the same direction). This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2.

14.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under RRS 31.2 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit.

14.3 As provided in RRS 67, the International Jury may, without a hearing, penalize a boat that has broken RRS 42.

15 TIME LIMITS

15.1 The time limit for Course 1 will be 4 hours from the starting signal or for Course 2 it will be 3 hours from the starting signal. If one boat finishes within the time limit, then the race will stand.

15.2 If no boat has passed the first windward mark one hour after the starting signal, the race shall be abandoned.

15.3 Boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within _____ hours of the last boat to finish the last race of the day. This time will be posted on the Official Notice Board. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.

16.2 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at _____ on _____ beginning at _____ hours.

16.3 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or the International Jury will be posted within the protest time limit on the Official Notice Board to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

16.4 Prior to a hearing and with the permission of the International Jury, a boat that has broken a rule of Part 2 of the RRS and has not complied with the requirements of RRS 31 or 44.1, may accept a 40% place penalty, calculated on the number of boats entered rounded to the nearest whole number (rounding 0.5 upwards), except that she shall not be scored worse than DNF.

16.5 For infringements of the rules other than Part 2, the International Jury may award a lesser penalty than DSQ.

16.6 For the purpose of RRS 64.3(b) the 'authority responsible' is the Class International Governing Committee.

16.7 Breaches of instructions 5.2, 14.2, 18, 19, 23, 24 and 25 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the International Jury so decides.

16.8 On the last day of the regatta:

(a) a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;

(b) a request for reopening a hearing held on the last day shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day;

© the time limit to request redress based upon an action or omission of the Race Committee or International Jury shall be 30 minutes after the final results are posted.

This changes RRS 62 and 66.

16.9 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.4.

17 SCORING

17.1 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

17.2 Six races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

19.1 Substitution of crew will not be allowed without prior written approval of the International Jury, and such requests shall be submitted to the Race Committee for verification of eligibility and crew weight of the substitute crew.

19.2 After measurement until completion of racing, no boat, sail or any item of measured equipment shall leave the venue without being posted on the Official Equipment Sign-out

Sheet on the Official Notice Board. It is the sole responsibility of each skipper to ensure proper recording.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions which may include RRS 43 and One Design Rules 7.1 and 7.2.

20.2 On the water, a boat can be instructed by the Race Committee or the Jury to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21 CREW WEIGHING

21.1 The weights and total combined crew weight of each crew including skipper will be determined prior to racing and the total combined weight of crew members for each boat will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

21.2 Each crew member on each boat will be reweighed at _____ on _____ between the hours of _____ and _____ to ensure compliance with One Design Rule 7.1. Crews that fail to make the weight limit will be scored DNS for all races sailed that day and for all subsequent races until such time as they comply with One Design Rule 7.1.

21.5 Crew substitutions will not be permitted for the purpose making the weight limit.

21.6 Weighing scales will be available on each race day in the Race Office from _____ to _____.

22 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows: _____.

23 SUPPORT BOATS

23.1 Support boats must be registered with the Organising Authority and shall be marked with identifying flags issued by the Organising Authority.

23.2 Competitors shall have no communication with, and boats shall not be tied to, coach or support boats from the first Warning Signal of the day until racing has been concluded for the day. Between races, coach and 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 International Jury.

23.3 Registered coach and support boats and their personnel shall stay at least 100 metres below the starting line from the time of the Preparatory Signal until five minutes after the start of any race. After this time, coach and support boats may then proceed parallel to the course on the starboard side of the course facing the wind at a distance of at least 100 metres outside areas where boats are racing. No coach and support boats may go above or below the weather marks or leeward marks and/or the finishing marks at any time while boats are racing.

23.4 Any breach of SI 23.2 or 23.3 by a coach or support boat may result in a penalty being applied to any or all boats serviced by that coach or support boat. The penalty may be disqualification or some other penalty as determined by the International Jury.

23.5 Coach and support boats shall, when requested by the Race Committee, tow or assist boats not associated with them. Coach and support boats will monitor VHF channel ____ and shall follow all instructions from the Race Committee.

24 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

All boats shall be afloat before _____ hours on _____ and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Jury.

25 PLASTIC POOLS

Plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around competing yachts between the close of registration and the end of the regatta.

26 RADIO COMMUNICATION (for Class sanctioned events in which radios are required to be carried)

This supplements but does not change RRS 2 and 41 for the IECA. All boats must carry a marine band VHF receiver capable of receiving normal international channels. Boats must use the radio to report retirement from racing and may use the radio to request assistance in an emergency. No other transmissions are permitted by competing yachts during each racing day until the end of the last race of the day. The Race Committee may use the radio to advise competitors of race information.

27 PRIZES

27.1 Overall series perpetual trophies will be awarded as follows:

The Founders Trophy, an antique silver bowl, for the overall World Championship winner – given by Mary Etchells.

C Stanley Ogilvy Masters Trophy, an antique sextant and box, for the winner of the Masters' Division (Masters' category is defined as helmsman 50 years of age or older) – given by the Members and Governors of the Class to honour Stan Ogilvy's 17 years of service to the Class as Chairman of the Technical Committee.

Robert W Sides Seniors Trophy, a Lucite boat on marble block, for the winner of the Seniors' Division (Seniors' category is defined as helmsman 60 years of age or older – should fewer than two skippers qualify for this division the age limit for the year will be 55 years or older) – given by US Etchells Fleet 4.

Bill Munster Sportsmanship Trophy, a ceramic tile with a picture of an Etchells mounted on a wooden plaque.

27.2 Individual race perpetual trophies will be awarded as follows:

Race 1: A silver tray for the first race winner – given by Etchells Fleet 6, Newport Beach, California, USA.

Race 2: A half model, the Peter Tirion/Etchells Association of Canada perpetual trophy for the second race winner – given by the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Race 3: A photo engraved plaque of an Etchells under spinnaker on timber backing for the third race winner – given by the Brisbane Etchells Fleet, Australia.

Race 4: A half model for the fourth race winner – given by US Etchells Fleet 4 and the Eastern Yacht Club, Marblehead, Massachusetts, USA.

Race 5: A silver bowl and stand for the fifth race winner – given by US Etchells Fleet 12 and the St Francis Yacht Club, San Francisco, California, USA.

Race 6: A silver plate, the American Yacht Club Centennial for the sixth race winner - given by the American Yacht Club, Rye, New York, USA.

Race 7: A framed symbolic Kauri wood carving. Donated by the Gulf Harbour Yacht Club, Gulf Harbour, New Zealand.

Race 8. A crystal cube containing three-dimensional images of two Etchells for the eighth race winner, the Jim Annand Trophy – given by the International Etchells Class Association of Australia in honour of Jim Annand.

Race 9. A half model for the ninth race winner - given by the Cowes Fleet in honour of Cowes Fleet member Ante Razmilovic, the winner of the first race nine at the 2002 World Championship.

27.3 Other trophies will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

28 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

28.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. It is the competitor's decision to enter the Championship or to start or continue in any race. Competitors' attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4 which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

28.2 The Organizing Authority is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a yacht whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment. 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.

29. INSURANCE

29.1. All Yachts competing are required to carry current Third Party Property Liability Insurance.

29.2. Each Skipper and/or co-skipper is liable for any third party personal injury claims. It is strongly recommended that each yacht be covered by appropriate Third Party Personal Injury Liability Insurance of not less than_____.