

APPENDIX B Approved by IGC June 2004

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's 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 ETHELLES CLASS

20__ World Championship

____ Yacht Club, _____

XX to YY July 20__

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

REGATTA OFFICIALS

Race Committee:	_____	Chairman
Event Organiser:	_____	Chairman
International Jury:	_____	Chairman

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20___ World Championship

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the current 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the _____ national authority will not apply.
- 1.3 The International Etchells Class Association Rules will apply except as modified by these Sailing Instructions. The Class Governors have approved all variations from Class Rules Appendices in these instructions.
- 1.4 The Championship is an ISAF Recognised Event and is sanctioned by the International Etchells Class Association as a Class A event. All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of the International Etchells Class Rules and shall comply with the ISAF Eligibility Code, RRS Appendix 2, 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 RRS Appendix 1, Regulation 20.3. (d) (i).
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will prevail.
- 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 in the Race Office at _____.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before _____ 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 the 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 twenty millimetres below the gunwale. 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 Up to ___ races may be sailed. Racing is scheduled as follows:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Race</i>	<i>Time of Warning Signal</i>
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 (if scheduled)	_____
Day and Date	Race 8 (if scheduled)	_____
Day and Date	Race 9 (if scheduled)	_____
Day and Date	Reserve Day(if required)	_____

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

6.3 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 first race.

7 CLASS FLAGS

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

8 RACING AREAS

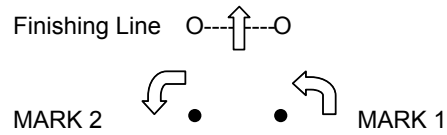
Racing will take place in the vicinity of _____.

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, 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 are in violation of RRS 30.3. Other Race Committee boats may also be used along the first weather 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 POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK

To change the position of the next mark, the Race Committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark may not yet be in the new position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the moved mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration. When, in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark(s).

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.

13.2 When the course is shortened at a gate, a Race Committee boat near the gate will display flag S and boats shall finish by sailing through the gate from the direction of the previous mark. The Finishing Line will be between the gate marks. This changes Race Signal S.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 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.

14.2 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 is 4 hours from the starting signal and for Course 2 is 3 hours from the starting signal.
- 15.2** If no boat has passed the first windward mark one hour after the starting signal, the race will be abandoned.
- 15.3** Boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF. 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 after 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 _____.
- 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** For the purpose of RRS 64.3(b) the 'authority responsible' is the Class International Governing Committee.
- 16.5** Breaches of instructions 5.2, 14.1, 18, 19, 23, 24 and 25 will not be grounds for a 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.
- 16.6** 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;
 - (c) 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.
- 16.7** 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 or equipment will not be allowed without prior written approval of the International Jury.

19.2 Requests for substitution shall be made to the International Jury at the first reasonable opportunity, and such requests shall be submitted to the Race Office for verification of eligibility and crew weight of the substitute crew.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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. On the water, a boat can be instructed by the Race Committee or the International 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 to ensure compliance with One Design Rule 7.1 and the total combined weight of crew members for each boat will be posted on the official notice board.

21.2 Prior to each day's racing, 15% of the fleet will be randomly selected and reweighed to ensure compliance with One Design Rule 7.1.

21.3 A list of the crews to be weighed prior to each day's racing will be displayed on the official notice board by _____ hours on that day of racing.

21.4 Crews that have been randomly selected and fail to make the weight limit will be scored DNS for all races sailed that day and shall present themselves at the race office for re-weighing on the morning of the following race day in addition to the 15% of boats randomly selected on that next day. This changes RRS 63.1.

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 Coach and support boats shall be registered with the Organising Authority and shall be marked with identifying flags issued by the Organising Authority and shall not display any other flag, burgee, item of clothing or other type of

identification mark or sign that could be construed as a signal.

- 23.2** 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.
- 23.3** Competitors shall have no communication with, and boats shall not be tied to, coach or support boats from the first Warning Signal of the race until the conclusion of the race and until they have sailed well clear of the finish area.
- 23.4** At the first Warning Signal of the day, coach and support boats shall retire to the designated coach and support boat zone/s as described in SI 23.6 below until all racing has been completed, postponed or abandoned or unless instructed to do otherwise by the Race Committee.
- 23.5** Between races or when racing has been postponed or abandoned, coach and support boats may enter the course area to service their boats' needs. If further racing is to take place, coach and support boats must immediately retire to the designated coach/support boat zone at the first Warning Signal for the next race.
- 23.6** (a) The coach and support boat zone is the area to leeward of an imaginary line parallel to and 100 metres to leeward of the starting line.
- (b) If the finish is downwind, the zone shall move to a corresponding area to leeward of an imaginary line 100 metres to leeward of the finishing line or its extensions.
- (c) If the finish is to windward, the zone shall be the area to windward of an imaginary line parallel to and no less than 100 metres to windward of the finishing line or its extensions. Coach and support boats shall be permitted to proceed directly to this zone by proceeding around the port side of the course when looking to windward from the starting line and keeping well outside the lay line.
- 23.7** Any breach of SI 23 by a coach or support boat may result in penalties being applied to any or all competitors serviced by that coach or support boat. The penalty may be disqualification or as the International Jury determines. In addition the coach or support boat may, at the discretion of the International Jury, be barred from going afloat for a time period.

24 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

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

25 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around competing yachts between the preparatory signal for the first race and the end of the regatta.

26 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS (For all Sanctioned Events)

This supplements but does not change RRS 2 and 41 for the IECA. No boat shall activate when off moorings, at any time on a day on which racing is scheduled, any device capable of receiving or transmitting radio wave communications, except in an emergency. *(Where VHF is required by boats to comply with governmental or national authority laws or regulations affecting the venue, the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions shall specify how, when and for what purpose any radio wave communications device may be activated. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Etchells National Association in which a Class C event is held may authorise the race committee to use VHF for race management and may issue guidelines.)*

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 for the seventh race winner – given by Gulf Harbour Yacht Club, Gulf Harbour, New Zealand.

Race 8: A three dimensional image of an Etchells in a crystal cube for the eighth race winner – given by the International Etchells Class Association of Australia.

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

27.3 Other prizes maybe awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

28 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority is not responsible for the seaworthiness of a yacht whose entry is accepted or the sufficiency or adequacy of its equipment. The Organising 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 and all third party personal injury claims. It is strongly recommended that each yacht be covered by appropriate and adequate Third Party Personal Injury Liability insurance of not less than _____.(where an Organising Authority was either not required to, or did not state a minimum amount of cover in the NOR for the event, the words “of not less than...” in this last sentence should be deleted).