



# **NOTICE OF RACE**

**FOR THE  
INTERNATIONAL ETHELLES SYDNEY FLEET Inc.**

## **QUALIFYING SERIES**

11th September 2011 – 3rd December 2011

**FOR THE  
2012 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP  
SYDNEY - AUSTRALIA**

18<sup>th</sup> – 25th February 2012

**CONDUCTED BY THE ORGANISING AUTHORITY  
ROYAL SYDNEY YACHT SQUADRON**

in conjunction with the

**INTERNATIONAL ETHELLES SYDNEY FLEET Inc**  
Date 20 April 2011

The Organising Authority is Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron (RSYS) and the International Etchells Sydney Fleet Inc.

## **1 RULES**

All races will be governed by:

- The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2009-2012 (RRS) of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) as amended
- The General Sailing Instructions and the Sailing Instructions for the SPR, SUM & MIN Series as contained in the 2011-12 RSYS/RPEYC Sailing Handbook, as amended

If there is conflict between any of the rules or regulations, other than RRS, the Sailing Instructions will prevail.

## **2 PURPOSE**

This is the Qualifying Series for members of the International Etchells Sydney Fleet Inc. who wish to compete in the 2012 World Etchells Championship to be held in Sydney, February 2012.

## **3 ELIGIBILITY**

3.1 Skippers and Co-skippers shall comply with the requirement of Appendix A Clause 6 - ENTRY - DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY of the "Rules Governing the World Championship and other Sanctioned Events" as outlined on the International Etchells Class web site at [www.etchells.org/](http://www.etchells.org/).

3.2 All competitors, including skippers, co-skippers and crew, while racing, shall conform to RRS 46 and RRS55.

3.3 All Skippers and Co-skippers shall be Financial Active Members of the International Etchells Sydney Fleet Inc as of the release of this NOR (dated 20<sup>th</sup> April 2011). Any crew member who sails more than three races shall be a financial member of the International Etchells Sydney Fleet Inc. No entry can be considered as final until the entry's eligibility has been verified by the Organising Authority with the International Etchells Sydney Fleet.

3.4 All Skippers and Co-skippers and crew shall be nominated on the entry form including the weight of each person. The date(s) the co-skipper will be helming the boat and any changes to crew shall be notified in writing to the RSYS Sailing Office by 0900 hours on the day of the race, together with a declaration of the weight of the substitute person. At the discretion of the Committee of the International Etchells Sydney Fleet Inc, any substitute crew may be required to attend a weigh at a time and place nominated by the Committee to confirm compliance with 3.8 below.

3.5 Any boat found with a non-financial member as a skipper or co-skipper or a non-financial crew member who has sailed in more than three races shall be subject to protest and may be disqualified from that qualifying race or any race in which she has sailed with a non-financial member as skipper and or crew member. The determination of financial membership of any skipper / co-skipper or crew member shall be at the sole discretion of the Committee of the International Etchells Sydney Fleet Inc. Its decisions as to financial membership of any skipper or crew shall not be subject to protest or grounds for redress (Amends RRS 60 and 62).

3.6 Copies of current Yachting Australia (YA) Measurement Certificates and Sail Measurement Certificates or equivalent certificates shall be lodged with the completed entry form and originals may be required to be produced for verification during the Series. All sails used in the Series must have been recorded on the boat's Sail Measurement Certificate in accordance with the rules of the International Etchells Class Association. Any boat not complying with this requirement will be subject to protest and may be disqualified from the Series.

3.7 All Skippers and Co-skippers are to be recorded on the boat's YA Measurement Certificate or equivalent in accordance with the International Etchells Class Rules referred to in 3.1 above. In accordance with the class rules, to be eligible to skipper the boat in the World Championship a co-skipper is required to helm the boat in at least one qualifying race.

3.8 There shall be a maximum combined crew weight of 285kg in accordance with the rules of the International Etchells Class Association. Two crew Weigh-ins are mandatory. Times for weigh-ins are as follows:

First weigh-in: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September 5.00 – 6.30pm and Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September 8.00am – 9.30am in the Youth Training Room at RSYS.

Second weigh-in: Friday 28th October 5.00pm to 6.30pm or Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October from 8.00am – 9.30am in the Youth Training Room at RSYS.

Crews that fail to re-weigh by the designated times or fail to make the weight limit shall be scored DNS for all races sailed that day and for all subsequent qualifying races until such time as they comply with One-Design Rule 7.1. The Race Committee may approve an extension of time in extenuating circumstances, and such requests shall be submitted in writing to the Race Committee.

- 3.9 Boats selected from this Qualifying Series shall meet the eligibility requirements of this notice of race, and any boats infringing the eligibility requirements may be subject to protest.
- 3.10 In accordance with Etchells Class Rule Appendix F, boats that enter this qualifying series must be made available as loaner boats for the 2012 Etchells World Championship.

#### **4. ENTRIES**

The RSYS Sailing Office shall receive the completed entry form and associated documents no later than 1600 hours on Friday 9th September, 2011. No entries will be accepted after this time.

#### **5. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

The Series will be conducted during the RSYS 2011-2012 Sailing Season.

Series Pointscore Race	Race Date	Racing	Scheduled time of Warning Signal of first race
1, 2 & 3	10 <sup>th</sup> September 2011	Offshore – Manly Circle	1220
4	17 <sup>th</sup> September 2011	Harbour	1245
5, 6 & 7	8 <sup>th</sup> October 2011	Harbour	1220
8	15 <sup>th</sup> October 2011	Harbour	1245
9, 10 & 11	29 <sup>th</sup> October 2011	Offshore – Manly Circle	1220
12,13 & 14	3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2011	Offshore – Manly Circle	1220

#### **6 NUMBER OF RACES**

- 6.1 The Series will comprise fourteen races in the RSYS MINA and SPR pointscores. The fourteen designated races are as detailed in Clause 5 above.
- 6.2 Five completed races are required to constitute a series. Boats shall discard their two worst races once seven races have been completed.

#### **7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

There will not be separate Sailing Instructions for this Series. Sailing Instructions are as detailed in the RSYS Handbook including the General Sailing Instructions and the Sailing Instructions for the MINI, SPR and SUM Series.

#### **8 SCORING SYSTEM**

The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, applies except as modified in clauses 6.1 and 6.2 above and Clause 12 in the SPR & SUM Sailing Instructions and Clause 13 of MIN Sailing Instructions.

#### **9 POINTSCORES**

- 9.1 A separate pointscore will be maintained based on the entries in the Qualifying Series. The placing's of non-entrants in each race will be ignored.
- 9.3 The Committee of the International Etchells Sydney Fleet Inc will select eligible boats on the basis of their final position in the pointscore. The number of boats selected depends on the allocation percentage, as determined by the International Etchells Class Association, of the total number of financial boats registered as members of the International Etchells Sydney Fleet Inc.
- 9.4 Competitors should refer to the International Etchells Class Rules, Appendix A, Rule 9D in the event of changed boats or sail cards.

#### **10 PRIZES**

No prizes shall be awarded for places in the races or the pointscore for the Qualifying Series.

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## INTERNATIONAL ETHELLS SYDNEY FLEET Inc QUALIFYING SERIES FOR THE 2012 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

### ENTRY FORM

**ENTRY FEE: NIL**

Boat Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sail No: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

The boat will be sailed by:

Skipper: \_\_\_\_\_ YA #: \_\_\_\_\_ Club : \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Kgs

Co-Skipper: \_\_\_\_\_ YA #: \_\_\_\_\_ Club : \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Kgs

Crew 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Kgs

Crew 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Kgs

Crew 3: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Kgs

If a Co-Skipper(s) is/are nominated – Appendix A, Rule 8.C of the "Rules Governing the World Championship and other Sanctioned Events" should be scrutinised.

***I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing of the International Sailing Federation 2009-2012, the Prescriptions of the Yachting Australia, the Current Rules of the International Etchells Class and the appropriate Safety Regulations all as modified by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.***

***I declare that the nominated boat has a valid YA Measurement Certificate and a valid Sail Measurement Certificate and that all sails used during this Qualifying Series have been measured and are recorded on the boats Sail Measurement Certificate in accordance with the Class Rules. Furthermore I declare that the skipper and all crew are financial members of the International Etchells Class Association and that their combined weight in any race will not exceed 285kgs in accordance with the rules of the International Etchells Class Association.***

***I have attached a Copy of the Sail Measurement Certificate, signed by an Etchells Class Measurer, and a copy of the YA Measurement Certificate for the boat registered in my name and to which the sails belong.***

***I declare that the nominated boat will have adequate current Third Party Property Liability and Third Party Personal Liability Insurance cover maintained during the period of racing of not less than \$10,000,000 (Ten million dollars) for any one incident over the period of racing.***

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_(home) \_\_\_\_\_(work) \_\_\_\_\_(mobile)

**ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE RSYS SAILING OFFICE  
BY 1600 HOURS ON FRIDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2011**