



# International Etchells 2024 NSW State Championship

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 RULES** – Refer NoR 1
- 2 EVENT ADVERTISING** – Refer NoR 2
- 3 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY** – Refer NoR 4
- 4 REGISTRATION & MEASUREMENT** – Refer NoR 6
- 5 CREW WEIGH IN & SUBSTITUTION OF CREW** – Refer NoR 7
- 6 REGATTA SCHEDULE** – Refer NoR 8
  - 6.1 Friday 17 November, Race Briefing 1000hrs, Halyards.
- 7 SCORING** - Refer NoR 12
- 8 SUPPORT PERSONS VESSELS** – Refer 13
- 9 COMMUNICATIONS** - Refer NoR 16
  - 9.1 VHF Channel 72 will be used for Competitor Communications.
- 10 PRIZES** - Refer NoR 17
- 11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY** - Refer NoR 18
- 12 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
  - 12.1 Changes to the schedule will be posted by 2000hrs on the day before they will take effect. Other changes will be posted before 0900hrs on the day they take effect.
  - 12.2 Changes to the Sailing Instructions made afloat will be indicated by the display of Code Flag 3rd Substitute accompanied by two sound signals. This may be communicated orally.
- 13 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**
  - 13.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official flagstaff on the sun dial lawn at the club.
  - 13.2 The Warning Signal will not be made less than 60 minutes after "AP" is lowered ashore. This changes RRS Race Signals "AP".
- 14 AREAS THAT RANK AS OBSTRUCTIONS**
  - 14.1 While racing in Pittwater, boats shall not sail within the area of water between registered moorings (including Police or NSW Maritime moorings) and the adjacent shoreline inside Pittwater. These areas rank as obstructions.
- 15 PENALTY SYSTEM**
  - 15.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 shall be a One-Turn Penalty. Infringements in the Zone as defined in the RRS shall be a Two Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2.
- 16 TIME LIMIT**
  - 16.1 The time limit for each race shall be 60 minutes.
  - 16.2 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35 and A4.
  - 16.3 If no boat finishes a race within the time limit the race shall be abandoned.
- 17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**
  - 17.1 The protest time limit is 75 minutes after the last boat finishes in the last race of that day.
  - 17.2 Notices will be posted no later than 20 minutes after the protest time limit informing competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
  - 17.3 The penalty, if any, for any infringement of the rules other than RRS Part 2 is at the sole discretion of the Protest Committee and may be other than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.1.
  - 17.4 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing or redress shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. Changes RRS 62.2.
- 18 CLASS FLAGS**
  - 18.1 The Class Flag will be Code Flag "E".
- 19 MARKS, STARTING/FINISHING LINE**

- 19.1 Mark 1 and the Gate marks shall be **yellow** inflatable buoys.
- 19.2 Mark 1a (the offset mark) shall be a **red** inflatable buoy.
- 19.3 The "Change Mark" shall be a **pink** inflatable buoy. When, in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it shall be replaced by an original **yellow** buoy.
- 19.4 The starting and finishing lines shall be between a staff displaying; an **orange** flag at the start and **blue** flag at the finish, on the Race Committee Signal Boat and a black and white checkered inflatable buoy.
- 19.5 The finishing vessel may be different to the starting vessel.

**20 COURSE AREA & COURSES**

- 20.1 The course area may be announced by text to the nominated point of contact in a boats entry and by a notice on the Official Notice Board no less than 2 hours before the first scheduled race of each day.
- 20.2 The course, compass bearing and approximate distance to Mark 1 shall be displayed by the Race Committee Boat.
- 20.3 Marks 1 and 1a shall be rounded to port. Mark 1a is an offset mark.
- 20.4 If one Gate mark is missing, boats shall round the existing mark to port.
- 20.5 Below is the description of the courses:

Code	Courses
C2	Course 2: Start - 1 - 1a – Finish
C4	Course 4: Start - 1 - 1a – 2s/2p - 1 - 1a – Finish
C6	Course 6: Start - 1 - 1a – 2s/2p - 1 - 1a – 2s/2p - 1 - 1a – Finish

