

2022 Etchells Great Lakes Championships

September 16 - 18, 2022

Oakville Yacht Squadron

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Sailing Instructions



1 Rules

1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, except the following:

1.1.1. RRS 44: PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT - The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.

1.2. The prescriptions of Sail Canada apply for the Regatta.

1.3. Boats competing in a One Design Class shall comply with their Class rules.

1.4. If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SIs), the SIs will take precedence.

2 Notices to Competitors

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board in the main Clubhouse at OYS.

3 Changes to Sailing Instructions

3.1 Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 0900h on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000h the day before it is to take effect.

4 Signals Made Ashore

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the OYS flag pole.

4.2 Code flag 'AP', Answering Pennant, with two sound signals means the race is postponed for no less than 30 minutes. The warning signal for the first start will not be made less than 30 minutes after 'AP' is lowered.

5 Schedule

Event	Time	Location
Etchells Weigh-in	17.00-18.00 Sept 16,2022	
Etchells Weigh-in	08.30 -1000h, Sept 17, 2022	Main Club House - Office
Competitors' Briefing Day 1	1015h, Sept 17, 2022	Main Clubhouse
First Warning Day 1	11.30h, Sept 17, 2022	
Chili Dinner	Following Racing	Main Clubhouse
First Warning Day 2	1100h, Sept 18 2022	
Final Warning Day 2	14.30h, September 18, 2022	
Awards Ceremony	ASAP following Racing Sept 18	Main Clubhouse

7 Courses

- 7.1 The Courses to be sailed will be windward-leeward Courses.
- 7.2 The racing area will be located more than 1nm South of the Lighthouse.
- 7.2 The diagram in Addendum A shows the course.

8 Marks

- 8.1 The Start and Finish marks will be an orange inflatable tetrahedron. The Gate Marks will be yellow cylinders. All other marks will be yellow tetrahedrons. Changed course marks will be green tetrahedrons.
- 8.2 If a mark is missing or adrift, it may be replaced by a boat showing Code Flag "M" accompanied by a repetitive sound signal.

9 The Start

- 9.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26. The Etchells Class Flag will be in use.
- 9.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and the Start Mark.
- 9.3 Recall will be a signal in accordance with RRS 29. Additionally, the Race Committee may broadcast a "boats over early" message on Channel 72. This is a courtesy which may or may not occur and is not cause for Redress if it does not occur.

10 Change to the Next Leg of the Course

10.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) without an offset and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.

10.2 When in a subsequent change, a new Yellow tetrahedron will be used.

11 The Finish

11.1 The finish line for a full course will be between the mast bearing the orange flag on the Signal Boat and the Finish Mark as indicated in Addendum A.

11.2 The finish line for a shortened course shall be in accordance with RRS 32.2.

12 Time Limits

12.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit for a Division is 30 minutes after their starting signal.

13 Protest and Requests for Redress

13.1 Protests shall be filed on-line at the [OYS Protest Console](https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/protests/new?event_id=4799).

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13.2 Alternatively, to the online Protest Console, written forms may be left at the OYS Race Office within the time limit.

13.3 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the Race Committee has returned to the OYS dock or has signalled no more racing today, whichever is later.

13.4 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses and where the hearings will be held.

14 Scoring

14.1 Races will be scored using RRS Appendix A Low Point System

15 Safety Regulations

15.1 A boat which retires from a race shall inform the Race Committee either directly or by radio (VHF channel 72). Failure to do so may result in disqualification from the race.

16 Authority & Responsibility

16.1 All races held as part of the Great Lakes Championship are organized under the authority of the OYS Race Committee.

17 Disclaimer of Liability

17.1 Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. 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 race.

18 Launch and Haul Out

18.1 Boats may launch Friday Sept 16 until 21.00, Saturday September 17 08.00-10.00.

18.2 Hauling out during the Regatta unless expressly permitted by the PRO will result in disqualification.

ADDENDUM A - ILLUSTRATING THE COURSE

Windward-Leeward Course

Mark 1A will be an offset mark set approximately 50 metres from Mark 1 at an angle of approximately 90 degrees to the windward leg.

Gate Mark 2A – 2B is not part of the course on the last leg.

