

**Etchells Holland Zuiderzee Regatta 2018**  
**WSV Hoorn**  
**21-23 September 2018**  
**Organizing Authority is the Dutch Etchells Class (Etchells-Holland).**

**REGATTA OFFICIALS**

Event Organizer: Gertjan Zandt Chairman  
Race Committee: Leendert Faber Chairman  
National Jury: members of the Etchells-Holland board, Etchells owners or participants or visitors of the regatta

**Etchells Holland Zuiderzee Regatta (EHZR) 2018**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the „rules“ as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020(RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the national authority will not apply.
- 1.3 The rules of the International Etchells Class Association will apply unless the board of Etchells Holland decides otherwise or except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 The Championship is organised by the Dutch Etchells Class (Etchells-Holland) as a sportive, meet,greet and learn sailing event with Etchells sailors from RMYC, and RGYC
- 1.5 Empty
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Website notice board [www.etchellsholland.nl](http://www.etchellsholland.nl) ,at the "Etchells Notice Board" Whats app. and at the Regatta Office.

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 10.00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20.00 on the day before it will take effect.

**4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at 10.00.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, „1 minute“ is replaced with „not less than 60 minutes“ in race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.
- 4.3 RRS 40 applies at all times while afloat even when the Y-flag is not displayed. This changes RRS Part 4 Preamble.

**5 REGISTRATIONS**

5.1 Eligible boats shall register with the Organizing Authority on Friday between 10.00 hours and 17.00 hours and Saturday between 09.00 and 11.00 Registration formalities as detailed in the Notice of Race are required to be completed by 1700 hours on Saturday 22 September.

## 6 SCHEDULES OF RACES

6.1 Racing is scheduled as follows:

### Saturday 22 September

**Race 1:** Warning Signal 10:55 hrs.

**Next Race:** Warning Signal as soon as practical after Race 1.

and so on

No warning signal later than 17:00

### Sunday 23 September

**Race x:** Warning Signal 10:55 hrs.

**Next Race:** Warning Signal as soon as practical after the last Race.

and so on

No warning signal later than 16:00

## 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 Hoorn on the Markermeer.

## 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 max. 1.5 nm.

9.2 The course to be sailed will be designated by displaying Numeral Pennant 1, 2 or 3 from the race committee vessel no later than the warning signal.

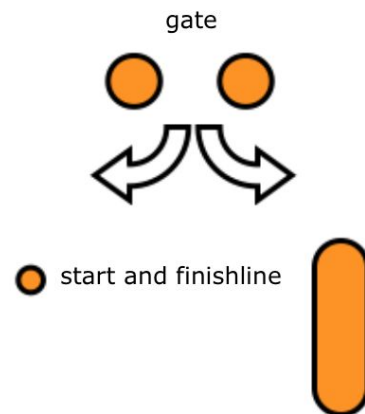
9.3 The race committee vessel may display the approximate compass bearing from the Starting Line to Mark 1.

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.



The course is:

start - 1 - 2 - gate - 1 - 2 - finish



## **10 MARKS**

10.1 Marks 1, 2 and gate will be yellow inflatable cylinders, or as described at the briefing.

10.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be yellow inflatable cylinders.

10.3 The starting and finishing marks will be a floating pole displaying an orange flag and a pole on the starting vessel also displaying an orange flag.

## **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 voorzitter B, the race committee vessel, at the starboard end and a floating pole mark with an orange flag 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 sail 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 racecourse 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 signaled 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 signaling 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 Voorzitter B, the race committee vessel, at the starboard end and a floating pole displaying an orange flag 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 jibe in the same direction) except that for infringements occurring within the Zone as defined in the current RRS the penalty shall be a Two Turns Penalty (two tacks and two jibes 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 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 Jury may, without a hearing, penalize a boat that has broken RRS 42.

## **15 TIME LIMITS**

15.1 The time limit for the Courses will be 45 minutes 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. 45 minutes after the starting signal, the race shall be abandoned.

15.3 Boats failing to finish within 30 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**

The Dutch Etchells Class (Etchells-Holland) prefer a public protest hearing, provided there are no objections from the concerning parties.

16.1 Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests shall be delivered there within 1 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 10 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after the races on the same day.

16.3 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or the 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 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 Jury may award a lesser penalty than DSQ.

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 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 Jury shall be 30 minutes after the final results are posted. This changes RRS 62 and 66.

## **17 SCORING**

17.1 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply. No discard of races will be applied.

17.2 There will be no minimal amount of races to 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 changing crew will be allowed by the organization only.

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.

19.3 After measurement until completion of racing, no sail shall be re-cut or altered. Repairs to sails pursuant to all applicable rules are permissible only upon written approval of the Jury. All such sails may be subject to re-measurement on completion of repairs.

## **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 Empty

22 Empty

23 Empty

## **24 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

All boats shall be afloat before 10.00 hours on 22 September 2018 and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee. The penalty may be DSQ for any subsequent races.

## **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 are allowed to carry a marine band VHF receiver capable of receiving normal international channels. Competing yachts may 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 from the first Warning Signal until the end of the last race of the day.

**27 PRIZES**

27.1 Prizes will be awarded to the overall winners of the Saturday Races.

27.2 Prizes will be awarded to the overall winners of the Sunday Races.

27.3 Other trophies will be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing 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 € 1.500.000,-

17 September 2018