



## Bermuda Keelboat Nationals 2023

November 18 & 19, 2023

Royal Bermuda Yacht Club

### NOTICE OF RACE – AMENDMENT #1

#### Changes Highlighted in Yellow

#### Abbreviations:

RBYC	Royal Bermuda Yacht Club	NoR	Notice of Race
OA	Organising Authority (Royal Bermuda Yacht Club)	SI (s)	Sailing Instruction (s)
		RC	Race Committee

- ❖ *The notation [DP] in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may be less than disqualification at the discretion of the Protest Committee.*
- ❖ *The notation [NP] in a rule in the NOR means that infringement of this rule shall not be protested by boats.*

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS")*.
- 1.2. In the event of a conflict between International (IOD) or North American (J/105) and the Bermuda Class or Fleet rules, the Bermuda Class or Fleet rules will apply.
- 1.3. For the J/105 Class:
  - 1.3.1. The Regatta shall be "Level C" as per the J/105 Class Rule 3.6.
  - 1.3.2. Class Rules 3.4 (owner-driver); 7.1 (weight limit); and 7.3c section - fenders and dock lines on board are all waived for this regatta.
  - 1.3.3. Boats may use multiple sail numbers provided they have been registered with the Race Committee at Registration.

#### 2. ADVERTISING

The World Sailing Advertising Code shall apply.

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Etchells, IOD, J105 and RS21 classes.
- 3.2. In order for a class to be eligible to compete at least 3 boats need to be registered and start the first race.
- 3.3. The regatta is open to all competitors; however, the National Champion of each participating class must be a resident of Bermuda and may not necessarily be the winner of the event for that class.
- 3.4. All skippers shall be a member of the Bermuda Sailing Association through an affiliated Club, Class or Association in good standing.
- 3.5. Close of entry is November 15, 2023 at 16:00 hours.
- 3.6. Entry can be completed by submitting entry form (ATTACHEMENT 1)

#### 4. FEES

Regatta fee is \$100 for two (2) days of racing and \$50 for one (1) day of racing.

## 5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. A daily Competitor Briefing document will be posted to the [Official Notice Board](#) by 08:30 hours on the days of scheduled racing.
- 5.2. Prizes will be awarded at the RBYC's Annual Prize Giving – date to be confirmed
- 5.3. All classes *may* have up to four (4) races per day as necessary to maintain the schedule.
- 5.4. For all fleets 6 races are scheduled.
- 5.5. Race schedule

November 18	November 19
All Classes Entered for 2 Days	All Classes

- 5.6. The scheduled warning signal for the first race each day will be 1155 hours.
- 5.7. On the last day of scheduled racing no warning signal will be made after 1530 hours.
- 5.8. In the event that bad weather prevents the minimum number of races being completed for a series, November 25 and 26 will be used as back up dates to reach the scheduled number of races.

## 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. The SIs will be the 2023 Combined Club's SIs, a copy can be found on the [Official Notice Board](#).
- 6.2. The OA is committed to reducing paper waste in our environment and therefore will not be providing printed copies of the SIs.

## 7. VENUES

The racing areas for all classes will be in the Great Sound and/or surrounding areas.

## 8. THE COURSES

Courses will be detailed in the SIs.

## 9. PENALTY SYSTEM

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.'

## 10. SCORING

- 10.1. The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A shall apply to all series, with no scores excluded.
- 10.2. For classes competing both days, three (3) races constitute a series.
- 10.3. For classes competing for one day, one (1) race constitutes a series.

## 11. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall checkin on VHF with the OA before the first warning each day of racing.

## 12. BERTHING

Yachts shall be kept in their assigned places (moorings or marina berths) unless directed otherwise by the OA.

### **13. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

With the exception of the RS21 boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with written permission of the RC.

### **14. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

[DP] For RRS37 reasons and RC communications all boats are **required** to carry a working International channels VHF radio. The race channel will be VHF Channel 73.

### **15. PRIZES**

- 15.1. The National Champion in each Class shall be awarded to the highest placed Bermuda resident.
- 15.2. Prizes will be awarded to the first three places of each competing fleet

### **16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes. The OA, Host Club and Race Committee will not accept liability for any material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with the regatta.

### **17. INSURANCE**

Each boat shall carry Third Party Liability Insurance with a minimum of US /BD \$500,000 (or equivalent) coverage per incident (submitted with entry), valid for all skippers who are to sail that boat during the regatta. For boats based in Bermuda it will be the responsibility of the relevant Bermuda Class Association or individual entrant, not later than October 6, 2022 to provide evidence, satisfactory to the OA, of such insurance cover.

### **18. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 18.1. Each Bermuda Class Association will be responsible for the certification / measurement of all boats, sails and skippers that race in their respective classes.

### **19. FURTHER INFORMATION**

Questions about this NoR and Social Schedule may be forwarded to the OA at the contact listed below:

Nicole Butterworth, RBYC Sailing Office  
Email: [sailingoffice@rbyc.bm](mailto:sailingoffice@rbyc.bm)  
Telephone: +1 441 294 6716

**ATTACHMENT 1 – ENTRY FORM**

**2023 BERMUDA KEELBOAT NATIONALS  
ENTRY FORM**

**BOAT NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **SAIL NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CLASS: I.O.D., J105, Etchells, RS 21**

**Skipper Contact Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ENTRY FEE: \$50 One Day                      \$100 Two Days**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **BSA Club:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Skipper:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Crew:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**VISA / MASTERCARD**

**CARD #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **CCV:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EXP. DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **OR RBYC A/C #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL CHARGE: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

*I/We the undersigned understand the Bermuda Sailing Association (B.S.A.), the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club (R.B.Y.C.); their Officers, Members; Employees; and Volunteers, bear no responsibility for accidents, damage or injuries to boats or their crew however so caused during or related to this regatta. Attention is drawn to ISAF RRS 3 (Decision to Race).  
I/We the undersigned agree to be bound by the "Racing Rules of Sailing" and by all other rules that govern this event.*

**SKIPPER SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_