



**Bacardi Bermuda Keelboat Regatta  
Hosted by Bermuda Tourism Authority  
November 17-19, 2016  
Royal Bermuda Yacht Club**

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

**Abbreviations:**

<b>RBYC</b>	<b>Royal Bermuda Yacht Club</b>	<b>NoR</b>	<b>Notice of Race</b>
<b>OA</b>	<b>Organising Authority (Royal Bermuda Yacht Club)</b>	<b>SI (s)</b>	<b>Sailing Instruction (s)</b>
<b>BSA</b>	<b>Bermuda Sailing Association (National Authority)</b>	<b>RC</b>	<b>Race Committee</b>

### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* ("RRS").
- 1.2 BSA Prescriptions and 'Code of Conduct' will apply. These documents will be posted on the official notice board and may be found on the Bermuda Sailing Association website ([www.sailing.bm](http://www.sailing.bm)).
- 1.3 In the event of a conflict between International (IOD & Etchells) or North American (J/105) and the Bermuda Class or Fleet rules, the Bermuda Class or Fleet rules will apply.
- 1.4 For the J/105 Class:
- The Regatta shall be "Level C" as per the [J/105 Class Rule 3.6](#).
  - 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.
  - Boats may use multiple sail numbers provided they have been registered with the Race Committee at Registration

### **2. ADVERTISING**

- 2.1 The organizing authority may require competing boats to carry event sponsor advertising.
- 2.2 For the J/105 Class, competitors shall display "XL Catlin" sponsors bow stickers.

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### **J105 Class Sponsors**



### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Entry to the regatta is open to all eligible classes however the OA reserves the right to refuse an entry.
- 3.2 Invitees shall confirm their acceptance by submitting completed entry online at [Regatta Network](#) together with the required entry fees not later than Tuesday November 14, 2016.
- 3.3 Entry forms received after this time may be accepted at the sole discretion of the OA. If rejected the OA will promptly return the entry fee.

### 4. FEES

- 4.1 Required fees for fleet racing is \$250; PHRF \$50.00.

### 5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration, and for the Etchells class, weigh-in, will be at the RBYC on Wednesday November 16, 2016 from 16:00 hours to 18:00 hours. – see NoR 18 for specific class information.
- 5.2 Skippers’ briefing for the IOD, Etchells and J/105 classes will be held at 0830 hours Thursday November 17, 2016 at the RBYC.  
Skippers’ briefing for PHRF classes will be held at 0900 hours Saturday November 19, 2016 at the RBYC.
- 5.3 Opening ceremony will be Wednesday November 16, 2016 at 1800 hours at Bacardi International, Pitts Bay Road.
- 5.4 Awards ceremony will be on Saturday November 19, 2016 at 1730 hours at RBYC.  
Jacket and tie requested for opening and closing ceremonies.
- 5.5 Dates of racing:

November 17	November 18	November 19
Etchells, J105, IOD	Etchells, J105, IOD	All Classes

- 5.6 For IOD; Etchells Classes:

- a) A maximum of five races can be held each day at the discretion of the RC except for Saturday November 19, 2016 which can have a maximum of three races.

- 5.7 For the J/105 Class:

- a) Ten races shall be scheduled for the regatta, with no more than five races on each day, at the discretion of the RC. In addition a Practice Race shall be scheduled – it shall not be scored for any of the Series.
- b) Races shall be designated as “Bermuda” or “International” by the RC, with five races scheduled to be “International”, and five races scheduled to be “Bermuda”. The respective nominated helmsman shall helm for that race.
- c) The International Race Series shall be comprised of “International” Races, the Bermuda Race Series shall be comprised of “Bermuda” Races, and the Overall Series shall be comprised of all Races.
- d) LAST BLAST RACE: Following Race 10 at the end of the regatta on the last day, a single race from the Race Course to RBYC shall take place - “Last Blast” Race. This race shall not

Race #	Helmsman	Race #	Helmsman	Race #	Helmsman
Practice Race	Any	4	Bermuda	8	Bermuda
1	International	5	International	9	International
2	Bermuda	6	Bermuda	10	Bermuda
3	International	7	International	Last Blast	Team Choice

count for any of the Series – it is a fun way to finish the regatta. The course shall be advised by VHF Channel 73.

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5.8 For the PHRF Class:

- a) A maximum of three races are scheduled.
- b) No warning signal will be made after 15:30 hours Saturday November 19, 2016.
- c) The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race on Saturday November 19, 2016 will be 10:55 hours.

## 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 The SIs will be available from Wednesday November 16, 2016 at the RBYC. Provisional SIs may be available on the event web site ([www.rbyc.bm](http://www.rbyc.bm)) before this date.

## 7. VENUES

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

## 8. THE COURSES

8.1 Courses will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

## 9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 For all classes, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 9.2 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

## 10. SCORING

10.1 For IOD; Etchells Classes:

- a) ten or more races completed, the worst two scores will be excluded
- b) five to nine races completed the worst single score will be excluded
- c) up to four races completed, no score will be excluded.
- d) A minimum of three completed races is required to constitute a valid series.

10.2 For J/105 Class:

- a) The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A shall apply to all series, with no scores excluded.
- b) The International Race Series shall be comprised of “International” Races.
- c) The Bermuda Race Series shall be comprised of “Bermuda” Races.
- d) The Overall Series shall be comprised of all Races.
- e) A minimum of two completed races is required to constitute a valid series.

10.3 For PHRF Class:

- a) Scoring will be based on correct time-on-time scoring and PHRF handicaps
- b) A minimum of one completed race is required to constitute a valid series.

## **11. SUPPORT BOATS**

Support boats shall be registered with the Organising Authority before the first day of racing for the Class(es) supported. The Class(es) involved are required to provide one safety/support boat for every ten (10) boats in their respective Class.

## **12. BERTHING**

12.1 Boats shall be returned to and kept in/on their assigned berths/moorings

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

13.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with written permission of the RC.

## **14. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

14.1 For safety 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 number of prizes in each class will depend on the number of entries in that class.
- 15.2 In the J/105 Class, the overall winning team will be awarded the **“XL Catlin Trophy”**.

## **16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The OA 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.

## **17. INSURANCE**

17.1 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 Tuesday November 15, 2016 to provide evidence, satisfactory to the OA, of such insurance cover.

## **18. FURTHER INFORMATION**

### **PROVISION OF BOATS AND SAILS; RESTRICTIONS AND CREW REQUIREMENTS.**

- 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.
- 18.2 In all classes, when an owner races his/her own boat this will not constitute grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 18.3 In the Etchells Class: each competitor will be allocated one boat for the entire regatta by arrangement with the Bermuda Etchells Class Association. Each competitor shall be responsible for providing one measured mainsail, two measured jibs and two measured

spinnakers. These sails shall be submitted for the approval of the Bermuda Etchells Class Association and no other sails shall be used without the written permission of that body. There shall be three or four persons on board while racing. The same number of persons shall sail throughout the event and their total combined weight as measured wearing light clothing shall be no more than 285 kgs (628lbs). Once crews have weighed in, there shall be no crew substitution without the written permission of the RC. If permission is granted, the substitute crew member must be weighed and the total number of crew shall continue to meet the weight requirement.

- 18.4 In the International One Design Class: each competitor will be allocated one boat for the entire regatta by arrangement with the Bermuda Class Association, subject to the following provisions: each boat will be provided with one mainsail, one jib and one spinnaker and no other sails shall be used without the permission of the Bermuda Class Association. In strong winds spinnaker restrictions may be imposed. All equipment provided with the boat for sailing purposes shall be carried while afloat. Unless the Bermuda Class Association gives prior permission, no boat shall be modified or caused to be modified except that competitors may provide their own spinnaker sheets, twings (tweakers) and turtles. Once crews have registered, there shall be no crew substitution without the written permission of the RC.
- 18.5 In the J/105 Class: Each competitor shall be responsible for providing one measured mainsail, two measured jibs and two measured spinnakers. No other sails shall be used without the written permission of the Bermuda Fleet. Once crews have registered, there shall be no crew substitution without the written permission of the RC.
- 18.6 In the PHRF Class: the regatta is open to keelboats and yachts. Boats with a PHRF handicap less than 100 shall be assigned to Division 1; all other boats shall be assigned to Division 2.