



Fleet 20 2017 Worlds Qualifying Series

February 3, 2017

The Fleet 20 representatives to the 2017 World Championships (to be sailed in San Francisco, CA in September 2017) will be selected by using the combined scores from the best 11 of 14 individual races from the following regattas:

- **BBYRA OD #7 – Key Biscayne Yacht Club**
 - **March 12th, 2017 (3 races scheduled)**
- **Coral Reef Cup – Coral Reef Yacht Club**
 - **March 17th – 19th, 2017 (8 races scheduled)**
- **BBYRA OD #8 – Biscayne Bay Yacht Club Annual Regatta**
 - **April 28th, 2017 (3 races scheduled)**

Total Number of Races Scheduled = 14

To qualify, Fleet 20 boats must race in the Coral Reef Cup and one of the two scheduled BBYRA regattas.

For qualifying purposes, Fleet 20 boats competing in the 2017 Worlds Qualifying Series will be scored against each other only, with a first place awarded to the highest-finishing Fleet 20 boat in a race, a second place to the next highest, and so on.

For the qualifying series, *RRS Rule A2* is replaced with: Each boat's series score shall be the total of her best 11 of 14 individual race scores. The boat with the lowest series score wins, and others shall be ranked accordingly. A total of 14 races are planned.

Fleet 20 boats not competing in a qualifying race will be scored in the series equal to one (1) more than the number of Fleet 20 boats ranked as starters in each of the individual races. However to qualify, a boat must race in a minimum of eleven (11) of the above races, and may not count a score from a race the boat did not compete in.

In the event that two or more boats are tied, ties will be broken in accordance with Appendix A - Scoring (A8 Series Ties). However, if this standard method (A8.1, comparing the number of firsts, seconds, etc.) fails to break the tie, the tie will be broken in favor of the boat that beat the other(s) in the last race in which all tied boats started against one another. This amends A8.2.

The Fleet 20 Executive Committee reserves the right to select additional races in the event that a total of eleven (11) races are not sailed in the above events.

Fleet 20 2017 members must pay 2017 dues (both IECA and Fleet 20) by March 7th, 2017 in order to be eligible to be scored. The 2017 Etchells Skipper & Associates Membership Registration Forms are available on www.etchellsfleet20.org.

For this qualifying series, all competitors shall comply with the rules of the IECA, including number of persons on board and total combined weight of skipper and crew (285 kg.). This amends BBYRA Part II Sailing Instructions: One-Design OD5.Crew/Weight Limits.

From Appendix A.7.B of the IECA Rules:

Each Fleet shall annually designate a series of qualification races to be held on its home waters (minimum of 5 completed races) to determine those Skippers (and Co-Skippers) eligible to enter the World Championship subject to the allocation as specified above.