

APPENDIX F

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP LOANER BOAT GUIDELINES

1. It is imperative that all Etchells owners worldwide realize that one of the strongest attributes of the Class is the fact that overseas competitors can attend a World Championship taking only their sails, but for this to be successful, everybody must offer their boats as loaner boats without reservation.
2. All boats that enter and sail in a host Fleet's World Qualification Series **MUST BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR LOAN** and it **SHALL** be a condition of the fleet that entries for its qualification series are accepted on this basis.
3. A separate hull insurance policy to cover all loaner boats is necessary. It is virtually impossible for overseas entrants to obtain insurance on a loaner boat. The organizing committee must provide the policy. The premium may be included with the owner's deductibles in the loaner fee. A separate Third Party (or P.& I.) liability policy is also necessary. The limits should be as large as possible.
4. A Waiver Form to protect the Yacht Club, the International Etchells Class Association, the National Association, the Organizers, etc., must be signed by skipper and crew of all boats including, of course, all loaner boats, particularly stating that no claims or legal action of any kind or for any reason will be taken. The waiver shall not include any variation of the words "assumption of risk."
5. It must be pointed out to all owners that experience from all World's held to date has indicated that very little damage usually occurs and when it does, most is infinitesimal, such as broken block, lines, etc. Anything can be fixed, and for this purpose an efficient back-up repair section close at hand must be available. Owners should be encouraged to relate to borrowers and an onshore officer must be appointed by the fleet during the series to liaise with borrower and owner.
6. The Organizing Committee has a grave responsibility to make absolutely certain that each boat in the Loaner Boat Pool has been measured and is in fully operational and up-to-date condition, with a clean, fair and smooth bottom. If overseas competitors know that they will get a good boat, they will attend. Conversely, the opposite applies very definitely!
7. Boats will be allocated by a random lottery at the time of on-site registration. Allocation by order of entry is prohibited.
8. At the Skippers' Meeting prior to the event, it will be pointed out that the loaner boats are not the property of the borrowers and must be treated with respect and that there is to be no rubbing down in or out of the water (fenders must be used) and any additions or changes can only be made with the written permission of the owner.
9. For various reasons the word charter must not be used by the Organizing Committee when dealing with matters involving the Loaner Boat Pool. Loaner boats are not charters. Loaning owners should be acknowledged and included in social events.