



VOLVO GDYNIA SAILING DAYS

MATCH RACING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Gdynia, Poland, 8 – 10 July 2016

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) will be the Polish Yachting Association in conjunction to Gdynia Sport Center.

2 VENUE

The venue will be Gdynia, Poland.

3 EVENT GRADING

The event has applied for World Sailing Grade 3. This grading is subject to review by the World Sailing. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

4.1 Schedule:

- (a) Race office and registration open on 7 July between 9.00 and 20.00
- (b) Crew weighing on 7 July between 9.00 and 20.00
- (d) Practice on 7 July between 9.00 and 19.00
- (e) First briefing and meeting with umpires at 8 July 8.00
- (f) Racing days from 8 to 10 July.
- (i) Time of the first race each day will be 9.00
- (j) The latest time for an attention signal on the last day of racing will be 15.00.
- (k) Prize giving on 10 July at 16.30

4.2 Unless excused by the OA attendance at the following is:

- (a) initial briefing for skippers;
- (b) daily briefing, for skippers;
- (c) prize giving for the final skippers and crews.

5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1 8 skippers highest ranked in the last World Sailing Ranking will be invited. Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event.
- 5.2 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing except in an emergency.
- 5.3 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of the invitation in writing (e-mail is acceptable) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.
- 5.4 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19.2.
- 5.6 All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing Sailor ID at registration.

6 ENTRIES

6.1 Entering

The team shall be entered on completion of registration crew weighing and the payment of all fees (in bank transfer or cash) and deposits (in cash). All payments shall be made in PLN.

6.2 Entry Fee

A non-refundable entry fee of **PLN 1500** shall accompany the acceptance of invitation for this to be valid.

6.3 Withdrawal

When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within a week of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA a zero score may be applied to their Ranking points for that event by the World Sailing (World Sailing Regulation 27.2)

6.4 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of **PLN 2000** shall be paid at registration unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.



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- (b) If a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded after the prize giving.

7 RULES

- 7.1 (a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS including Appendix C.
 - (b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.
 - (c) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply will be posted on the official notice board.
- 7.2 **Major Alterations to the RRS**
Add to RRS 41: (e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.

8 BOATS AND SAILS

- 8.1 The event will be sailed on Diamant 3000 type boats.
- 8.2 5 boats will be provided.
- 8.3 The following sails will be provided for each boat: mainsail, jib, spinnaker.
- 8.4 Boats will be allocated by draw either daily or for each round as decided by the race committee.

9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 9.1 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 4 or 5. All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 9.1 **Crew Weighing**
The total weight of the crew including the skipper dressed in at least shorts and shirts shall not exceed 350 kg determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the RC.
- 9.3 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event OA may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- 9.5 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise a substitute a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

10 EVENT FORMAT

- 10.1 The event will consist of the following stages:
 - Stage 1 - a full round robin
 - Stage 2 - semi-finals
 - Stage 3 - finals
- 10.2 The OA may change the format terminate any stage or the event when in its opinion it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favour of later stages.

11 COURSE

The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings finishing downwind.

12 ADVERTISING

- 12.1 As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organising Authority ISAF regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- 12.2 Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

13 PRIZES

There will be prizes and medals for top 3 teams.

14 MEDIA, IMAGES and SOUND

- 14.1 If required by the OA:
 - (a) television personnel and equipment (or dummies) supplied by the OA shall be carried on board while racing;
 - (b) registered skippers shall wear communications equipment supplied by the OA that will allow commentators to communicate with them whilst racing.
- 14.2 Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA supplied media equipment.



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14.3 The OA have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.

15 COACH BOATS

No coach boats will be permitted.

16 DISCLAIMER

All those taking any part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

18 INVITATIONS, INFORMATION

Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers. If you wish to be invited please register your request for an invitation as soon as possible to j.pasikowski@pya.org.pl
regatta website: www.gdyniasailingdays.org
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