



Gdynia DOUBLEHANDED Yachtrace 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

1. DATE & PLACE

The race will be held on Baltic Sea between 3 of June and 9 of June 2017. Port of the race is Marina Gdynia (Poland).

2. ORGANIZER

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3. RULES

3.1 The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, Offshore Special Regulations 2016-2017, ORC Rating System 2016-2017, COLREG 1972, Measurement IMS Rules, Sailing Instructions, Notice of Race and Communicates of Organizing Authority shall apply.

3.2 The PYA (Polish Yachting Association) rules for organization of sailing races shall not apply.

3.3 The races is an amateur sailing event.

3.4 There will be 1 race held in the regatta.

3.5 Person in Charge (RRS Rule 46) - by default person in charge will be considered a skipper of a yacht, named in the Entry Form.

3.6 Race Category

Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Race Category 3 Monohulls with Raft shall apply.

3.7 The following rules of ORC Rating Systems will be changed as follows:

201.2 - more fuel and drinkable water will be allowed;

2016.1 - spare mainsail will be allowed aboard if it is not bigger than declared mainsail. Spare main may be used only as a replacement sail in the case of damage of a declared sail. Yacht must indicate its intention to carry a spare mainsail and have it inspected and allowed by a Technical Committee. The fact of the use of spare mainsail must be noted in a logbook and the Race Committee must be informed of that fact right after the yacht finishes.

The text of OSR for Cat. 3 Monohulls with Raft, Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, ORC Rating System 2016-2017 is available on the Organizer's webpages and the webpages of the issuing bodies.

4. ADVERTISING

Yachts may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority. The rules for advertising will be further announced in a separate communicate. Participating yachts are obliged to remove all the advertisements and starting numbers from other races.

5. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRIES

5.1 Race is open for the monohull ballast yachts of LOA minimum 20 feet, being able to offshore sail the Baltic Sea.

5.2 Eligible yachts may enter by filling the entry form, available on Organizer's webpages, and sending it to Organizer's webpage before 21 of May 2017; the entry is valid together with the entry fee.

5.3 Late entries will not be accepted. In special cases Organizer may decide to allow the late entry - in this case the entry fee will be increased by 100% (compare to the time of entry closing day).

5.4 Entry List will be published by 28 of May 2017, 2200 hours.

5.5 Start List will be published after the inspections are carried out.

6. CLASSIFICATION

6.1 Participating yachts will be classified in group ORC International and/or ORC Club (Ocean for PCS) and OPEN. This may be changed accordingly to 6.4 - 6.6.

6.2 Yachts with a a valid ORC certificate will be classified in ORC group. Upon motivated demand sent to Orgaznizer together with the valid entry (Entry Form + Entry Fee), Organizer may decide to classify a yacht in OPEN group.

6.3 Participating yacht may be classified only in one group, according to the entry form.

6.4 If the number of participants in ORC (International and/or Club) is smaller than 5, the Organizer may cease that group and the participants will be classified in OPEN group.

6.5 If the number of participants in ORC and/or OPEN is 10 or more, the Organizer may further divide the group.

6.6 If there are at least 5 yachts of the same type/model or class, the Organizer may create a separate classification for these yachts.

6.7 Upon the Organizer's decision, other divisions of classification is possible, according to number and type of participating yachts.

6.7 Final group assignment will be published together with a Start List.

7. ENTRY FEE & RESPONSIBILITY FOR TRACKING DEVICES

7.1 Entry fee will be:

300 PLN per person, if paid before 14 of April 2017,

400 PLN per person, if paid between 1 of May and 21 of May 2017.

Entry Fee is non refundable.

During registration a boat should state her demand for a VAT invoice, giving the appropriate data for invoicing.

7.2 After 21 of May 2017 entries and/or fees will not be accepted. Crucial date is a date of posting the money on Organizer's account.

7.3 We cannot guarantee the yachts entering after 30 of April 2017 will be equipped with a tracking device.

7.4 Participating yachts are obliged to take, place on yacht and properly use during the whole race, including the possibility to charge if necessary, tracking devices delivered by Organizer. Entering the race the yacht takes the responsibility for the above and for damage or late return or not returning the device. The responsibility will be limited to £650 (in the case of non-returning the device due to its damage or lost).

7.4 Entry Fee to be paid to the Organizer's account: GDYNIA DOUBLEHANDED, no: **PL 21 1030 0019 0109 8530 0671 0011 (SWIFT: CITIPLPX)**. The transfer shall be titled: "GDY 2017 entry fee, s/y [name of yacht]"

8. SCHEDULE

8.1 Yachts registration: 2 of June 2017 between 1200 & 1800; the place will be announced in a separate communicate. The yacht's insurance, ORC certificate (if applicable) must be presented and the entry form signed/complemented.

8.2 Yacht inspections: 2 of June, 1600 - 2000 hrs.

8.2 Race opening ceremony, safety and meteo briefing: 3 of June 2017, 1000 hours. At least one person of each crew is obliged to attend. The absent crew (no one attended) will not be classified. A place will be announced in a separate communicate.

8.3 Individual presentation on water: 3 of June 2017, 1100 hours. Details will be announced during a crew briefing. All yachts are obliged to participate. The absent yacht will not be classified.

8.4 Start to the race: 3 of June 2017, 1200 hours. All yachts start together.

8.5 Warning signal: 1155 hours.

8.6 A boat that does not finish by 9 of June 2017, 1400 hours will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35 and A5.

8.7 Closing and prizegiving ceremony: 9 of June 2016, 1800 hours. Place to be announced in a separate communicate.

8.8 Sailors' Party: 9 of June 2017, 1900 hours. Place to be announced in a separate communicate.

9. MEASUREMENT & CONTROL

9.1 Each yacht starting in ORC group is obliged to present an actual (issued in 2017) ORC (International or Club) certificate.

9.2 Additional checks/controls may be performed by Organizer:

a. compatibility of the yacht's equipment to the ORC certificate - partial control; a plan of control to be made by Technical Commission;

b. signalling and safety equipment check - each boat must pass this control; a plan of control to be made by Technical Commission and announced at the registration.

9.3 Yachts must comply with OSR Category 3 Monohulls with Raft.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be handed over to yachts at registration on 2 of June 2017.

11. PLACES

Port of race is Marina Gdynia (Poland).

12 THE COURSE

Variant I: Gdynia-Liepaja-Olands Sodra Grund-Gdynia non-stop (c.a. 400 Nm)

Variant II: Gdynia-Klaipeda-Władysławowo-Gdynia non-stop (c.a. 240 Nm)

In the case of weather conditions that unable the race to be held within a scheduled limits, Variant II will be a valid route, according to the Sailing Instructions.

13. PENALTIES

13.1 Rule 44.3 (Points Penalty) will not be effective.

13.2 During a whole race the participants are forbidden to use mechanical propulsion. Use of propulsion will effect in disqualification unless used in danger or in assist/rescue action. The yacht must proof the situation required the use of forbidden propulsion and that situation could not be predicted and/or avoided by yacht.

13.3 Starting the engine in order to charge batteries is allowed.

13.4 Each engine use must be noted in a logbook (startt/stop time together with positions and purpose for use) and made available to the Race Commitee upon request.

13.5 Each yacht is obliged to fulfill all requirements concerned with the advertising, stated in rule 4 of this document and in the Communicate describing detailed rules of advertising during the race. The boat that fails to comply will be added 10% of her time enroute.

13.6 The yacht race is an environment friendly event. Therefore it is strictly forbidden to utilize yacht's waste into the water. The above applies also to emptying any containers or tanks that contain hardly-degradable substances (fuel, oils etc.). Breaching of this rule will effect with a disqualification.

14 SCORING POINTS

There will be no scoring points - the regatta consists of a single race. The classification will be based on a total time from start signal to the time of finish; for ORC the time will be corrected according to Ocean for PCS ratios.

15. RADIO COMMUNICATION

15.1. Race Committee VHF Channel 68.

15.2. Starting procedure will be broadcast on VHF Channel 68.

15.3. Radio communication on VHF Channel 68 is forbidden to yachts in race for communication other than concerned with the race.

15.4. Obligation to report before finishing: each yacht approaching the finish line must report to the Race Committee via radio (Ch. 68) or telephone (number given in Sailing Instructions), at least 2 (two) hours prior to finishing and directly after crossing the finish line which will be treated as a statement of finishing the race correctly.

16. TROPHIES & PRIZES

16.1 There will be following trophies and prizes:

- an individual trophy for a winner of each classification;
- a challenge trophy "Sea Wolves" for OPEN winner;
- a challenge trophy "Sea Lupus" (Basior Morski) for the oldest participant;
- a special prize "Farthest Sailed Competitor";
- other trophies will be announced not later than on the day of Start List announcement.

17. RESPONSIBILITY

Participants take part in a race solely at their own risk and responsibility. See the RRS Rule 4. Decision to participate. Organizer will bear no responsibility for any damages to equipment or people's death concerned with the race, occurring before, during or after the race.

18. RIGHTS TO THE IMAGE

Entering the regatta the participants agree that their images may be freely used by Organizer and sponsors in their publications during the race and afterwords and will not claim any rights or money for that.

19. INSURANCE

Each participating yacht will insure its civil responsibility at the minimal sum of 2.000.000 EURO for the whole time of the race.

20. LAWS & LANGUAGE

The regatta is held under polish law.

In the case of dispute or doubts, Polish text of rules (if exists) and regatta documents will prevail.

21. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information may be obtained at the Organizer's Office:

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