

Umpired Fleet Racing
NOTICE OF RACE
O'PEN SKIFF EUROCHALLENGE 2024
Italian National Circuit

May 9th – 11th, 2024

TO BE HELD AT



Sopot, Poland

Regatta organised by
Sopot Sailing Club
in co-operation with
in co-operation with

Take Outdoors France & O'pen Skiff Class Association

Eurochallenge2024.openskiffclass.org

[NP] Denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The OSCA Class Rules will apply.
- 1.3 Any national prescriptions that will apply will be posted on the online Official Notice Board.
- 1.4 Umpired Fleet Racing Appendix UF as approved by WS and adopted by the Class shall apply under RRS 86.2.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.6 The current version of Development Rule DR22-01 Rule 18, the preamble to Section C, and Mark-Room shall apply. See Addendum X.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. World Sailing Regulation 20 'Advertising Code' shall apply.

3 DIVISIONS

- 3.1 Eurochallenge divisions shall (boy and girl) be:
 - 3.1.1 UNDER 12 - born in 2013, or not later than 2015.
 - 3.1.2 UNDER 15 - born in 2010, or not later than 2012.
 - 3.1.3 UNDER 17 - born in 2008, or not later than 2009.
- 3.2 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a division.
- 3.3 U12 Competitors shall use the 3.5 Sail and U15, U17 Competitors shall use 4.5 Sail.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Competitors shall meet the requirements of World Sailing Regulation 19-Eligibility Code.
- 4.2 Competitors shall be members of an O'pen Skiff National Class Association recognised by the International Open Skiff Class.
- 4.3 Eligible competitors may **enter online** – Online payment required. Online entry will close on **2nd May 2024**.
- 4.4 The entry is limited to the first valid entries of each division as follows:
 - U12 – 120 entries,
 - U15- U17 – 120 entries
- 4.5 An entry is not valid until paid.
- 4.6 Foreign competitors must be in compliance as prescribed by the national authorities to which they belong.
- 4.7 All competitors requiring a charter boat shall first confirm the allocation with OSCA. Go to Additional Information in this NoR for further details of the Charter Service.
- 4.8 The following shall be presented upon registration at the race office:
 - Evidence of valid third party insurance (see also NoR #18)
 - Proof of age
 - Parental Consent Form (**Annex A - for those under age of 18**)

5 ENTRY FEES

- 5.1 The required competitor entry fee for the Eurochallenge 2024 is **80 Euro until 1st of April 2024**.
- 5.2 Late payments received, and late entries accepted, after 1st April 2024, but **not after 2nd May 2024**, will be charged an entry fee of **140 Euro**. Any payments made onsite will be 160 euro, if accepted by the organiser.
- 5.3 Entry fees paid by bank transfer to:
OWNER: Open Skiff Class Association
IBAN: CH790900000160451759

BIC: POFICHBE
BANK: PostFinance AG, 3030 Bern
COUNTRY: Switzerland (CH)
Please include "EC2" in your payment advice and e-mail confirmation of payment to:
secretary@openskiff.org

6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 Number, format, length, of races for all divisions will be settled by Class Representative. Any amendment in SI shall be approved by class representative.
- 6.2 Boys and girls shall race together.
- 6.3 Divisions shall race as one fleet.
- 6.4 Three races are required to validate the championship for each division.
- 6.5 **U15, U17 shall race together.**

7 SCHEDULE

7.1

08.05.2024	Registration and charter boat distribution, equipment inspection Equipment inspection Opening Ceremony
09.05.2024	Races
10.05.2024	Races Official Dinner
11.05.2024	Races, last possible warning signal: 15:00 Prize giving 18:00

7.2 The first possible warning signal for each day will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 19:00 of the preceding day.

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
- 8.2 Upon completion of registration and until the end of the event, at all times when ashore except when launching and retrieving, all equipment shall be kept in their assigned places at event site. Removal of any equipment from the event site requires prior written approval from the race committee. Access to equipment in the storage area during certain hours, including hours of darkness may be restricted.
- 8.3 Unless otherwise directed by the organizing authority, boats and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area at the event site.

9 NOTICE BOARD

- 9.1 The official notice board will be online on Racing Rules of Sailing at the link available at the event website - Eurochallenge2024.openskiffclass.org

10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions (SI's) will be available upon registration. Any changes to the SI's shall be approved by the Class Representative at the event.

11 COURSES

Courses will be as described in the sailing instructions.

12 INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with WCR Appendix N. Their decisions shall be final as provided by RRS 70.5.

13 SCORING

13.1 Eurochallenge: U12, U15, U17 divisions shall be scored

13.3 Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A, except for the discard profile. If 4 races have been completed a boat may discard their worst score; if 9 races have been completed a boat may discard their two worst scores.

14 COACHES AND SUPPORT BOATS

14.1 Coaches and support personnel may [register online](#)

14.2 The registration fee is 50 euro.

14.3 Coach boat charter is available, please contact by mail: info@skz.sopot.pl

14.4 All coach boats shall be registered.

14.5 All Support Persons with assistance boat shall be accredited with the Local Organising Authority and shall have:

- VHF on board.
- accepted the "rules for support personnel and assistance boats" described in the Sailing Instructions;
- provided numbers of the accompanied competitors.

Accredited Support Persons will be subject to the technical and disciplinary directives of the RC and the PC which, in the event of an infringement, will be able to act on the basis of rule 64.5 of the RRS

15 SAFETY

15.1 Personal buoyancy is mandatory for every competitor and support boat crew member at all times while afloat except, briefly, while changing clothes.

15.2 Every competitor and support boat crew member shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50), or as specified in the SI's. World Sailing Rules 40 shall apply when on water.

16 PRIZES

16.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first 5 competitors of each properly constituted division:

- Eurochallenge U 17 division
- Eurochallenge U15 division
- Eurochallenge U12 division

16.2. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

17 EUROCHALLENGE FINAL RANKING 2024

- The final Ranking for a boat in the 2024 OpenSkiff EuroChallenge Series will be the sum of the final positions in her best 3 Rounds out of 4 planned Rounds.
- In case one Round is not valid or cancelled the final score for the Ranking 2024 will be the sum of the final positions in her best 2 Rounds.
- In case 2 Rounds are not valid or cancelled the final score for the Ranking 2024 will be the sum of the final positions in her best 2 Rounds.
- A boat's final position in a single Round will be as stated in the Round's final results provided by Local Organising Authorities.
- The Prize Giving of Eurochallenge Circuit will take place during the Prize Giving of the fourth Eurochallenge Regatta planned in France Cavailare from the 1^o to the 3^o of November 2024 .

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to remain in the race is hers alone."

Therefore: by participating in this event each competitor agrees and recognizes that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity that carries risks. These risks include the possibility of facing strong wind and rough sea, sudden changes in weather conditions, breakdowns / damage to equipment, manoeuvre errors of the boat, poor seafaring by other boats, loss of balance due to boat instability and fatigue with resulting in an increased risk of injury. The risk of permanent and serious injuries or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes is inherent in the sport of sailing.

19 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1,500,000 euro per event or the equivalent. The insurance policy presented at registration shall have an English translation.

20 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproduction of them, taken during the period of the event, for the said Event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

21 TRASH DISPOSAL (DP)

- 21.1 The Basic Principle says: "Participants are encouraged to minimize any adverse environmental impact of the sport of sailing". Therefore all sailors are asked to follow RRS 47 – Trash disposal - before, during and after the event :
- "Competitors and support persons shall not intentionally put trash in the water (and ashore) . This rule applies at all times while afloat. The penalty for a breach of this rule may be less than disqualification".

22 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 22.1 Final Registration will take place at race office located at Sopot Sailing Club, Hestii 3, 81-731 Sopot, Poland
- 22.1 Local contact: info@skz.sopot.pl

Annex A

2024 Open Skiff Euro-challenge Championships

Sopot, Poland 9th May – 11th May 2024

Parent / Guardian consent form

Sailor name: _____

Sail number: _____

U12 U15 U17

Male Female.

Date of birth: _____



In the event of an accident, please inform

Legal guardian: _____ Emergency phone: _____

Declaration: LIMITATION OF LIABILITY COGNOVITS CLAUSE

The responsibility for the decision to participate in a race or to continue with it is solely with the skipper. The skipper is responsible for the qualification and the correct nautical conduct of the crew as well as for the suitability and the transport-safe-condition of the registered boat. In cases of force majeure or on grounds of administrative orders or for safety reasons, the organizer is entitled to make changes in the realization of the event or to cancel the event. This does not constitute any liability by the organizer towards the participant, if the reasons for the changes or the cancellation do not result from a willful or grossly negligent behaviour of the organizer. In case of a violation of obligations that do not constitute primary or material contractual duties (cardinal obligations), the liability of the organizer for financial and property damages incurred by the participant during or in connection with the participation in the event and resulting from a conduct of the organizer, its representatives, servants or agents, is restricted to damages that were caused willfully or grossly negligent. When a violation of cardinal obligations occurs due to minor negligence, the liability of the organizer is limited to foreseeable, typical damages. To the extent that the liability for damages of the organizer is excluded or restricted, the participant also relieves the staff - employees and representatives, agents, servants, sponsors and individuals who provide or drive salvage, safety or rescue vessels or assist with their use - from the individual liability for damages, as well as all other individuals who were instructed to act in connection with the realization of the event. The effective racing rules of World Sailing, the administrative regulations regatta-sailing, the class rules as well as the regulations of the invitation to the competition and the sailing instructions are to be complied with and are expressly recognized.

Privacy Policy

Reference is made to data protection of personal information and data. Any personal information and data given to the organizers will be used only as follows: All data regarding participating athletes, coaches and their boats will be processed and archived for the purpose of this sporting event. Personal information contains the participant's real name, date of birth, club, sail number and address data. In particular, results, calculatory and visual analyses, position monitoring and race analyses will be published with reference to the competitors' names. In order to achieve this, the data will be transferred to our service providers and to such governing bodies like World Sailing and local organizers. It cannot be ruled out, that your data will be processed outside of the EU. Our service providers and governing bodies have been or will be committed by us, to exclusively use your data for the event and its preparation and post-processing, including ranking lists and global multi event scorecards. The commercial use of your data is prohibited.

Being the parent / legal guardian I approve the sailors entry to this event and confirm that I have read, understand and agree to the terms of the Notice of Race.

Permission is also granted for drug testing to be performed in accordance with World Sailing Anti Doping Code. This form does not constitute therapeutic exemption of a prohibited substance. Please contact your National Sailing Federation for obtaining such exemption when necessary.

(Date /City)

signature of parent / legal guardian

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (not part of the Notice of race)

1) CHARTER SERVICE

Take Outdoors France will provide and manage charter service for participants

Complete Boat (with sail) Charter **Fee: 150 euro.**

Charter boats and sails will be allocated by the International O'pen SKIFF Class Association, and may be limited to European competitors only – i.e. those travelling from outside of Hungary will have priority.

To apply contact - secretary@openskiff.org - before completing an entry form. Applications shall be received before March 15th 2024.

A refundable deposit of 300 Euro shall be paid to cover any damage to the equipment. This deposit will be collected when charter is issued, and reimbursed to the competitor upon the return of the charter equipment in good condition at the end of the event. Charter boats will be available from Thursday 8th May 2024.

VENUE, TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

The club shall easily accommodate all competitors with 20 000 m² of area and 300m of beach length, further extension of this space is possible if necessary.

GETTING TO SOPOT

By plane

10 km from the modern International Airport in Gdańsk, no more than 20 min by car

connections to many European cities, including international airports in Frankfurt, Munich, Copenhagen, London

www.airport.gdansk.pl

By sea

Easy access to two modern sea ports in Gdańsk and Gdynia

www.polferryes.pl, www.stenaline.pl

By train

From Warsaw in 3 hours

ACCOMMODATION

The club has its own hotel onsite, but there are plenty of options available in the area - from private guest houses and apartments to 5 star hotels.

Booking:

<https://residencesopot.pl>

yachtclub@residencesopot.pl

Neither the LOA nor OSCA take responsibility for travel and accommodation arrangements made in error.

RACING AREA

