



# International Polish Offshore Championships doublehanded

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. DATE & PLACE

The race will be held on Baltic Sea between 28 July – 2 August 2020. Port of the race is Marina Yacht Park in Gdynia (Poland).

### 2. ORGANIZER

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in co-operation with **Pomeranian Yachting Association**

### 3. RULES AND SAFETY

3.1 The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, Offshore Special Regulations 2020-21, ORC Rating System 2020, COLREG 1972, IMS Rules 2020, 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 apply.

3.3 The regatta is an offshore sailing event.

3.4 There will be 4 races 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

World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (WS 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 not be restricted;

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 above restriction does not apply to yachts racing in OPEN group.

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

An OSR Inspection Card is available for download on Organizer's webpage. In doubt – the Inspection Card will take precedence. This Card describes all requirements as to signalling and safety equipment which does not mean that yacht does not to meet other OSR rules, not stated in a checklist.

MINI 650 will participate according to the class rules.

#### **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 their starting numbers from other races (stickers of other regattas are allowed if they do not disturb the advertisements of this regatta).

#### **5. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRIES**

5.1 Race is open for the monohull ballast yachts under a flag of any World Sailing Member State, being able to offshore sail the Baltic Sea and holding a valid ORC International DH certificate, and for yachts of MINI 650 Class. Further restrictions, stated in this Notice of Race may apply.

5.2 Eligible yachts may enter by filling the entry form, available on Organizer's webpages, and sending it to Organizer's webpage before ~~13 July 2020~~ **14 July 2020**; 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 (**entry form, together with a proof of payment must be sent to Organizer by 23 July 2020**) - in this case the entry fee will be increased by 100% (compare to the entry fee on closing day).

5.4 Entry List will be published by 14 of July 2020, 2200 hours.

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

#### **6. CLASSIFICATION**

6.1 Participating yachts will be classified in group ORC (PCS for doublehanded) and MINI 650.

6.2 If there is at least 10 yachts in any class, the Organizer may further divide that class.

6.3 If there is less than 5 yachts in any Class, a Champion of Poland title will not be given.

6.5 A number of participating yachts may be restricted, in that case yachts will be added to a Participants' List according to the date of sending a valid entry. The yachts that were late may be listed on Waiting List and moved to Participants' List if there is a free place there. In such case the Organizer will publish a restricted number of participants before the end of June.

## 7. ENTRY FEE & RESPONSIBILITY FOR TRACKING DEVICES

7.1 Entry fee will be:

700 PLN per yacht, if paid before 30 of June 2020,

1000 PLN per yacht, if paid after 30 of June 2020.

Entry Fee must be paid until **14 of July 2020**.

Yachts participating in International Polish Offshore Championships join SummerHeat free of charge.

In the case a yacht ceases her participation, 50% of entry fee will be refunded only if the Organizer receives a written notice not later than 4 weeks before the event starts. After that date 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 14 July 2020 entries will not be accepted (with the exemption of 5.3).

7.3 Yachts registering after 14 July 2020 cannot be guaranteed a tracking device.

7.4 All yachts having an AIS transponder must have it switched on and in visible mode during the whole race. Yachts that do not have AIS transponder and those who are not able to transmit their position must report their positions to other yachts or an assisting vessel at least each 2 hours, on their demand. If yacht denies to give her position or does not communicate via VHF, may be penalized by adding 30 minutes to her time enroute. A yacht will not be penalized if she can prove that she had reported her position within last 2 hours to RC, assisting vessel or any other participating yacht.

7.5 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 is 400 EUR (in the case of non-returning the device due to its damage or lost) or 10 EUR for each day (after 2 August 2020) of delayed return of a device.

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

## 8. SCHEDULE

8.1 Yachts registration: 28 July 2020 between 0900 & 1100; the place – Marina Yacht Park in Gdynia. The yacht's insurance, ORC certificate (if applicable) must **be sent to Organizer via email** and the entry form signed/complemented. If only one person does a registration, is assumed that person is eligible to sign a form in the name of the whole crew.

8.2 Yacht inspections: 28 July, 0900 - 1200 hrs. Organizer encourages participants to schedule their inspection time in advance.

8.3 Race opening ceremony, safety and meteo briefing, ~~drawing lots to a show-off race~~: 28 July 2020, 1300 hours. The whole crew is obliged to attend. The absent crew will not be classified. A place will be announced in a separate communicate.

8.4 Individual presentation on water: 28 July 2020, 1430 hours. Details will be announced during a crew briefing. All yachts are obliged to participate. The absent yacht will not be classified.

8.5 ~~Show-off Short~~ race (10-15 Nm) ~~—participants will take 1 person aboard:~~ 28 July 2020, 1530 hrs. ~~The start line will be near Marina Gdynia. This race will not count in a Championships' classification.~~

8.6 ~~Short~~ **Medium** distance race 1 (route will be given in Sailing Instructions): 29 July 2020, 1000 hrs. All yachts start together. ~~Start to Short distance race 2 or Middle range race will be up to 30 minutes after last finish in Race 1.~~

8.7 ~~Start to Short distance race 2 or Middle range race:~~ 30 July 2020, 0900 hrs. All yachts start together.

8.8 Start to Long-range race (c.a. 300 Nm): 30 July 2020, 1000 hrs. All yachts start together.

8.9 A sailors' meeting – 1 August 2020 at 2000. Place will be announced separately.

8.10 Closing and prizegiving ceremony: 2 August 2020, 1200 hours. Place to be announced separately.

## 9. MEASUREMENT & CONTROL

9.1 Each yacht starting in ORC class is obliged to present an actual ORC International DH certificate valid for ~~24~~ **25** July 2020. The certificate cannot be changed until the regatta finishes.

9.2 Additional checks/controls may be performed:

a. yacht's compatibility to the ORC certificate - partial in-port or on-water control; a plan of control to be made by Technical Commission.

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

9.3 Yachts must comply with OSR Category 3 Monohulls with raft with the exceptions included in OSR Inspection Card. OSR Inspection Card is available from Organizer's webpage. In doubt a decision of Safety Inspector will take precedence and will not be protested.

9.4 At least one of the crew should hold a valid First Aid Certificate.

## 10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be handed over to yachts at registration on 28 of July 2020.

## 11. VENUE

Port of race is Marina Yacht Park in Gdynia (Poland).

Participants will not pay for they stay in the Marina during the regatta and one day before (a fee for additional services may apply). Without a written consent from A Race Committee yachts are forbidden to leave Yacht Park except for the race.

Each yacht coming to Marina Yacht Park will to communicate to Marina authority (VHF 12) prior to entrance and will be assigned a berthing place.

Marina Yacht Park does not assure parking places for participants and their guests.

## 12 THE COURSE

12.1 Regatta will take place on Gdansk Bay and Southern Baltic:

- ~~two~~ **one** short race (c.a. 10-20 Nm);
- one middle-range race (c.a. 30-40 Nm);
- one long-range race (c.a. 300 Nm).

12.2 In the case of weather conditions that unable the race to be held within a scheduled limits, a course may be shortened or changed. In the case of stormy weather, the race Officer may decide upon postponement or cancellation of a race.

12.3 Race Committee holds a right to change a route – a final route will be given during a crews' briefing on 30 July 2020.

12.4 Race Committee is entitled to change any of courses – a valid version of each race will be given during a skippers' briefing 28 July 2020 and, if needed – during briefings before each race.

12.5 The Championships will be valid if at least on long race or short and middle range races were held.

## 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 (start/stop time together with positions and purpose for use) and made available to the Race Committee 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 may 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

14.1 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 PCS, MINI 650 – time without corrections..

14.2 Results of ORC and MINI 650 will be included in **OFF-SHORT RACING** classification, rules available on Organizer's webpage.

14.3 A long-range race will be held together with SummerHeat regatta, which will be included in **Polish Sailing Cup** classification.

## **15. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

15.1. Race Committee VHF Channel 68. Yachts must listen to VHF 16 and 68 during the whole race.

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 separately), 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:

- titles and medals of Offshore Polish Champions doublehanded for 3 first yachts in each class
- other prizes may be given under a Prize Regulation which may be publish together with a starting list

## **17. RESPONSIBILITY**

Participants take part in a race solely at their own risk and responsibility. See the RRS Rule 4. Decision to participate. No action taken or not-taken by Organizer will release a participant from 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 afterwards and will not claim any rights or money for that. They also agree to publish their names, Club and Town.

## **19. INSURANCE**

Each participating yacht will hold a third-party responsibility policy with the minimal sum of 1.500.000 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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