



Granaria ORC Polish Open Championship 2017

Gdansk, Poland, 21 – 23 July 2017

Notice of Race

1 Organizing Authority

The ORC Polish Open Championship 2017 is organized by the Pomeranian Sailing Association in conjunction with City of Gdansk under authority of Polish Yachting Association (PYA) and Offshore Racing Congress (ORC).

2 Rules

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 2.2 The following rules will also apply:
 - a) IMS Rule
 - b) ORC Rating Systems Rule
 - c) World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations – Category 4
- 2.3 No national authority prescription will apply.
- 2.4 Under RRS 87, ORC Rule 206 is changed as follows:
 - a) The maximum number of sails shall be as defined in ORC Rule 206 with one additional mainsail allowed. The second mainsail shall have a minimum of one set of reef points. The mainsails may be interchangeable.
 - b) With the exception of the second mainsail all sails shall be aboard while racing.
 - c) Sails damaged during the series may be repaired. Sails beyond repair may be replaced with permission of the Technical Committee
- 2.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

3 Advertising

World Sailing Advertising Code will apply. Competitors & Boats advertising will be without restriction. Event Advertising by the Organizing Authority will be:

- bow numbers with advertisement which have to be displayed as forward as possible on both sides of the first 20% of the hull
- advertisement to be displayed on both sides of the foremost 20% of the mainsail boom
- sponsor's flag that has to be flown on the backstay throughout the entire event.

The Organizing Authority may also require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on-board video cameras, position devices, and guest riders whose on-board position restrictions are defined in the Sailing Instructions.

4 Eligibility and Classes

- 4.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code.
- 4.2 The regatta is open to all boats with valid ORC International certificate with $CDL \leq 17.0$

4.3 Classes are defined by the CDL and the minimum number of entries. Preliminary class division is as follows:

Class A:	17.0 >= CDL > 11.5	min. 5 entries
Class B:	11.5 >= CDL > 9.65	min. 5 entries
Class C:	9.65 >= CDL > 8.0	min. 5 entries
Class D:	8.00 >= CDL	min. 5 entries

If the minimum number of boats in a class is not met, that class can be grouped with the closest class. In this case, only one Championship title will be assigned to the combined classes. Final class division will be confirmed on the first skipper meeting on 21.07.2017 09.00.

The person who is the owner or charterer or borrower of an entered boat shall be a national of the country they are representing. "National" is defined as either the holder of a passport or identity card, or a similar document stating residential status in the country represented.

Classes will have separate starts and separate results.

4.4 Eligible boats may pre-register until **20th June 2017** by completing the on-line registration form at www.orceuropeans2017.com and sending the copy of the ORC International certificate to: info@orceuropeans2017.com

4.5 A boat is considered pre-registered if the following documents are received:

- a) Completed and signed entry form
- b) Current ORC International certificate
- c) Entry fee payment confirmation

The list of pre-registered boats will be updated on the event's website upon receipt of each new entry.

5 Entry Fee

5.1 The entry fee is defined as follows:

	Until 31st May 2017	After 31st May 2017
Class A & B	150 EUR	220 EUR
Class C & D	120 EUR	180 EUR

and it shall be paid to net of any bank charges

account no.: PL97 1750 0012 0000 0000 3557 7084
Bank : Raiffeisen Bank Polska SA
Swift : RCBWPLPW

5.2 The organizer is not responsible for any costs incurred by the non-acceptance of a boat's registration.

5.3 Late entries may be accepted at organizer's discretion.

6 Registration

6.1 Each Owner or Skipper must personally register in the Race Office located in **Gdansk City Marina** from **09:00** on **20th July 2017** until **19:00** on **20th July 2017**

6.2 The following documents shall be presented at registration:

- a) Valid ORC International certificate issued before **17th July 2017**.
- b) Valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of 1.500.000 EUR
- c) If advertising is displayed, a respective National Authority permission
- d) Crew list with name, surname, World Sailing Sailor ID and weight for each crew member
- e) Contact phone number both on boat and land, including the name of the contact person
- f) Liability acceptance form, duly filled out and signed

This changes RRS 78.2.

- 6.3 No changes shall be made on ORC International certificates after **17th July 2017** unless prescribed and approved by the Technical Committee.
- 6.4 Crew lists may be amended up to **19:00** on **20th July 2017** by filling a new form showing the changes. After this time, changes in crew may be made only with the written permission of the International Jury that may delegate this responsibility to the race committee.

7 Schedule

- 7.1 Friday **21th July 2017** Inshore race(s)
Saturday **22th July 2017** Offshore race
Sunday **23th July 2017** Inshore race(s), closing ceremony

Offshore race will be approximately of 10 – 12 hours duration for the slowest boat. Inshore races will be on windward/leeward course of approximately 1 to 1.5 hours duration.

- 7.2 Six races are scheduled including one offshore race and five inshore races. Inshore races will be windward/leeward races, except where unusual or extreme local conditions make it impossible to sail a windward/leeward course, then the Race Committee may give permission to sail a substitute course.
- 7.3 The championship is valid if at least 2 inshore races or offshore race are completed. One discard will be allowed if 5 races are completed.

8 Measurement

Each boat shall be available for the measurement inspection from **09:00** on **21th July 2017** until **19:00** on **23th July 2017**. Measurement and rules compliance inspections will be carried out throughout the championship before or after each race with emphasis on boats well placed in the scoring.

9 Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available for each entrant at completion of the registration formalities.

10 Scoring

- 10.1 Windward/leeward race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by the Performance Curve Scoring method.
- 10.2 Offshore race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by the Ocean for PCS scoring method.

11 Support boats

All support boats shall be registered at the race office. Identification numbers will be provided by the organizer. These numbers must be visible at all times.

12 Nautical charts

The following nautical charts of the Hydrographic Office of the Polish Navy are utilized as a reference in the Sailing Instructions: INT 1288.

13 Berthing

Participating boats will have moorings free of charge in the regatta harbor for the period 20 – 23 July 2017. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the harbour.

14 Haul-out Restrictions

From 9.00 hrs of the first scheduled day of registration until the end of the last scheduled race of the series boats shall not be hauled out except for the purposes of repairing damage; and only after written permission from the Jury. While hauled for this purpose, cleaning and polishing of the hull below the waterline will not be permitted. Rudders shall not be removed from the water during the series nor the centreboards removed from their cases.

15 Media rights

Competitors, owners and their guests grant absolute right and permission to the Organizing Authority for any photography and video footage taken of persons and boats during the event, to be published and/or broadcast in any media, including but not limited to TV advertisements, whatsoever for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information.

16 Communication

Except in emergency or when communicating with the Race Committee, a boat that is racing, shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

17 Trophies and Prizes

- 17.1 Open Championship trophy will be awarded to the first three boats in each class.
- 17.2 The best three boats representin Poland in each class will be awarded Polish Champion Title.
- 17.3 Other prizes and trophies will be awarded at the discretion of the organizers. All medals and prizes will be awarded at the Prize Giving Ceremony and all participants are expected to participate in that ceremony

18 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see RRS 4 - Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, Pomeranian Sailing Association, Polish Sailing Association, ORC and any other party involved in the organization of the regatta will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by signing the entry form.

19 Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of 1.500,000 EUR per event. Regardless, it is the responsibility of the owners to hold adequate insurance cover for Tort Liability and Third Party Insurance (Property and Persons).

20 Further information

For further information, please contact

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