49er, 49erFX and Nacra17

European Championships & Junior European Championships
Gdynia, Poland
5th to 13th July 2018

The Organising Authority is the Polish Yachting Association in conjunction with the International 49er and Nacra 17 Class Associations and Gdynia Sport Department

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES
1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
1.2 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply
1.3 For the Medal Race, World Sailing Addendum Q (as posted on the official notice board) takes precedence over any conflicting instructions.
1.4 The Class Rules will apply except for any that are altered by the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions. The Class Race Management Guidelines will also apply.
1.5 No National Authority prescriptions will apply.
1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
1.7 This is a World Sailing 100 point ranking event

2. ADVERTISING
2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.
2.2 For 49er and 49erFX - the bottom two panels of the jib area shall be restricted to Class and Event advertising and all competitors shall place class nominated branding on their jibs according to the World Sailing approved 49er Class jib advertising policy.
   For Nacra 17 - the area of the jib, except for the visibility window, shall be restricted to Class and Event advertising and all competitors shall place class nominated branding on their jibs according to the World Sailing approved Nacra 17 Class jib advertising policy

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY
3.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code (Regulation 19).
3.2 Olympic gender requirements will apply for each of the Olympic events
3.3 All competitors shall be fully paid-up members of the International 49er or Nacra 17 Class Associations.
3.4 Entries should be received by the Organising Authority no later than 15th June 2018 to qualify for the early entry fee and will not be accepted after 29th June 2018.
3.5 Competitors can enter and pay the fee by visiting: https://reg.pya.org.pl/

4. FEES

Entry Fees
For 49er and 49erFX: 450 € (until 15th June 2018), 500 € (before 29th June 2018)
For Nacra 17: 500 € (until 15th June 2018), 550 € (before 29th June 2018)
These fees include the International Class Championship Fee.
Coach Fee per person: 85 €, no separate fee for support boat registration

5. FORMAT OF RACING.
5.1 The Championships will consist of an Opening Series and a Medal Race. The Opening Series will be divided into a Qualifying Series and a Fleet Racing Series.
5.2 The Medal Race will be a single, double points race and detailed further in the Sailing Instructions.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
6.1 Thursday 5 July 0900 - 1800 Registration/Inspection
1900 Open Class Forum
Friday 6 July 0900 - 1800 Registration/Inspection
1900 Class AGM
Saturday 7 July 0900 - 1100 Registration/Inspection
1255 Practice Races
1730 Competitors Briefing
1800 Opening Ceremony
Sunday 8 July 1055 Qualifying Races
Monday 9 July 1055 Qualifying Races
Tuesday 10 July 1055 Qualifying Races
Wednesday 11 July 1055 Fleet Races
Thursday 12 July 1055 Fleet Races
Friday 13 July 0955 Fleet Races
1500 Medal Races
Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony
as soon as possible after the Medal Races
6.2 On Friday 13 July there will be no warning signal after 1600 for those taking part in the Final Fleet Races and after 1800 for those taking part in the Medal Races.
6.3 Due to the large regatta preceding before the event the marina will only open to competitors on July 2\textsuperscript{nd}, 2018. For competitors wishing to drop off boats prior to July 2\textsuperscript{nd}, the organizers will provide safe storage of boats that will come earlier in Shipyard near the marina.

7. MEASUREMENT
7.1 All boats shall be inspected for class rules compliance prior to racing, according to the Schedule of Events. Additional spot measurement checks may be carried out during the Championship.
7.2 For 49er, 49erFX, and Nacra 17 only one set of sails and one forestay shall be used throughout the duration of the Championship.
7.3 Equipment shall only be replaced with permission of the Race Committee.
8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

9. VENUE
The 2018 49er, 49erFX and Nacra 17 European Championships will be held at Marina Gdynia, al. Jana Pawła II 13A street, 81-345 Gdynia, Poland

The mailing/shipping:
Mailing: Mrs. Agnieszka Gruszka, Kazimierza Gorskiego 8 street, 81-302 Gdynia, Poland

Shipping: There are two container terminals located also in Gdynia. BCT (Baltic Container Terminal) and GTC (Gdynia Container Terminal) both located just 15 minutes drive from the marina.

We kindly ask representatives from each country willing to ship their boats to Gdynia to contact us.

10. THE COURSES
Courses will be;
For 49er and 49erFX - windward/leeward with a gate at the leeward end of the course. For Nacra 17 – windward/leeward with a spreader mark at the windward end and a gate at the leeward end of the course.
11. PENALTY SYSTEM
RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by a One-Turn penalty.

12. SCORING
12.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply to the Opening Series
12.2 At least 5 races are required to be completed to constitute the Championship.

13. SAFETY
In the event of an emergency the meeting point for safety personnel and the dropping off point for safety boats coming from the racing area will be inside Marina Gdynia close to the crane. This meeting point will be where an ambulance will be waiting when required. The location of the Emergency Meeting Point is shown in Attachment B

14. SUPPORT BOATS
14.1 Support boats shall be registered with the Organising Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and the Class Support Boat Regulations which can be viewed on the respective Class websites (49er – Nacra 17). Team leaders/coaches shall register at https://reg.pya.org.pl/ and complete on-site registration at the race office at the venue.
14.2 All support boats shall clearly display the 3 letter national code of their ISAF Member National Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200mm.
14.3 If called upon support boats will be required to act as rescue boats.

15. INTERNATIONAL JURY
An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

16. PRIZES
Prizes for the Championships will be announced and awarded at the end of the Medal Races for the first three places overall and for the Other Fleet(s) respectively.

- European Open Championship - 1st, 2nd, 3rd,
- European Championship - 1st, 2nd, 3rd
- Junior European Championship - 1st, 2nd, 3rd
- Silver fleet winner
- Bronze fleet winner (if applicable)

17. RADIO COMMUNICATION
Except in an emergency a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing.

18. INSURANCE
Each participating boat shall have valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least Euros 1,500,000 (or equivalent) per incident.
19. **RISK STATEMENT**

RRS 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;

d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the event and to attend any safety briefing held for this event.

20. **MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT**

20.1

Where consent for imagery has been given by a competitor participating in the Championship, competitors grant to the Organising Authority, the International 49er and the Nacra 17 Class Associations and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of competition without compensation.

20.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.

20.3 Competitors may be required for interviews and press conferences at the Championship.

**ATTACHMENT A - RACING AREA**
ATTACHMENT B - EMERGENCY MEETING POINT