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World Sailing
Class Association

PRE-NOTICE OF RACE

O'PEN BIC EUROCHALLENGE 2019

From the 23rd until the 26th of May

TO BE HELD AT

Sopot, Poland

eurochallenge2019.openskiff.org

Organised by:

SKŻ ERGO Hestia Sopot

in co-operation with the

Bic Sport & O'pen Bic Class Association

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1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The [OBCA Class Rules](#) -apply.
- 1.3 The 4.5 sqm sail will be used in the U17 division.
- 1.4 The Addendum Q approved by World Sailing under RRS 86.2, and allowing umpiring on the water for all races, will apply.
- 1.5 RRS Appendix P, Immediate Penalties for breaking Rule 42, applies with the following changes – RRS P2.3 will not apply, and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.7 National Authority prescription shall be applied to Italian competitors only.

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 The participating gender (boy and girl) age divisions shall be:
 - 3.1.1 UNDER 13 - born in 2007, or not later than 2010.
 - 3.1.2 UNDER 17 - born in 2003, or not later than 2006.
- 3.2 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a division.

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 their O'pen Bic National Class Association, if any, which shall be a paid up member of the international O'pen Bic Class Association.
- 4.3 A competitor shall have participated in their National O'pen Cup, or a National Championship of any World Sailing member class, prior to this event.
- 4.4 Eligible competitors may [enter online](#) - credit/debit card or bank transfer payment required.. **Online entry will close on 14th of May 2019.**
- 4.5 An entry is not valid until paid.
- 4.6 All competitors requiring a charter boat shall first confirm the allocation with OBCA. Go to Additional Information in this NoR for further details of the Charter Service.
- 4.7 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 Permission Form](#) - *for those under age of 18*

5 ENTRY FEES

- 5.1 The required competitor entry fee is **80 euro**.
- 5.2 Late payments received, and late entries accepted, after 15th of April 2019 will be charged an entry fee of **90 euro**.
- 5.3 Any entries made after 15th of May shall be onsite entries only and will be charged **130 euro**.
- 5.4 Entry fees paid at registration shall be paid in cash – euros or PLN.

6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 The number of races for all divisions will be at the discretion of the Race Committee after consultation with the Class Representative.
- 6.2 Boys and girls may race together.
- 6.3 Divisions may race as one fleet or in groups depending upon entry numbers.
- 6.4 Three races are required to validate the championship for each division.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1	1° day 23.05.2019	14:30 – 18:00 Registration 11:30 – 18:00 Charter distribution
	2° day 24.05.2019	08:00 - 09:00 Late Registration 10:30 Skippers meeting 12:00 First warning signal
	3° day 25.05.2019	Races 19:00 Social Dinner
	4° day 26.05.2019	Races 15:00 Last possible warning signal 16:30 Prize Giving 17:00 Charter collection

- 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. The Social Event Programme will be available at event registration.

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 require 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 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.

10 COURSES

Courses will be as described in the sailing instructions.

11 INTERNATIONAL JURY

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

12 SCORING OF REGATTA & EUROCHALLENGE FINAL RANKING 2019

- 12.1** Scoring of the regatta 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.
- 12.2** The final Ranking for a boat in the 2019 Open Bic EuroChallenge Series will be the sum of the final positions in her best two Rounds out of three.
- 12.3** A boat's final position in a single Round will be as stated in the Round's final results provided by Local Organising Authorities.
- 12.4** The Prize Giving of Eurochallenge Circuit will take place during the Prize Giving of the third Eurochallenge Regatta.

13 COACHES AND SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1** Coaches and support personnel may [register online](#) - credit/debit card or bank transfer payment required.
- 13.2** The registration fee is 50 euro.
- 13.3** Coach boat charter is available, please contact Mr. Pawel Hlavaty, H14 Performance Ribs, charter@h14.pl

14 SAFETY

- 14.1** Personal buoyancy is mandatory for every competitor and support boat crew member at all times while afloat except, briefly, while changing clothes.
- 14.2** 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.

15 Prizes

- 15.1** Prizes will be awarded to the first five competitors of U13 and U17 divisions and first girl of each division

16 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

Competitors are requested to attend the event's social functions; however, the organising authority may refuse entry to those whose standard of attire is not commensurate with the occasion – "smart casual" is required. **Prize winners may forfeit prizes for non-attendance at the prize giving ceremony.**

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see RRS 4 - Decision to Race. The organising authority or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.

18 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a **minimum cover of Euros 1,500,000 per event or the equivalent.**

19 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.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

20.1 Registration will take place at race office located at SKZ ERGO Hestia

20.2 For **further information** please contact:

info@skz.sopot.pl

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A CHARTER SERVICE

Limited charter will be provided, and details published on the event website

Complete Boat (with sail) Charter Fee: 150 euro,

Charter boats and sails will be allocated by the International O'pen BIC Class Association and may be limited to **international competitors**.

To apply contact - secretary@openskiff.org

B 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.polferries.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.

For issues related to travel, transfers and accommodation, please contact the event office at info@skz.sopot.pl

The accommodation facilities will also be published on the event website: <http://eurochallenge2019.openskiff.org>

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

C RACING AREA

