



Notice of Race

Polish Open 2013

05/03/2013 - 26/03/2013

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

Polish Virtual Sailing Club (www.pol-vsc.org) is the Organizing Authority for the regatta.

2. REGATTA VENUE

- 2.1 Regatta will be conducted using Virtual Skipper 5 simulation software.
- 2.2 Regatta will take place on servers hosted by organizing authority (or designated person).
- 2.3 Server names will contain the text: 'PO 2013' .

3. REGATTA SCHEDULE

- 3.1 There will be 3 qualification series and 3 final series, which will be held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
- 3.2 Each series consist of 3 races.
- 3.3 Preparatory signal for the first race: 21:30 CET (GMT+1).
- 3.4 The following races will be started just after finishing of the previous one (regardless of the time stated in the schedule).
- 3.5 Qualification series will be held on: 05/03/2013, 12/03/2013, 13/03/2013
- 3.6 Final series will be held on: 19/03/2013, 20/03/2013, 26/03/2013

4. YACHTS ELIGIBLE FOR REGATTA

Each user registered on POL-VSC forum and signed on Polish Open 2013 is eligible for the regatta.

5. SIGNUPS

5.1 Regatta sign-ups will be accepted till 04/03/2013 20:00 CET (GMT+1) .

5.2 In order to sign up for the regatta one must use Polish Open 2013 sign-up form on POL-VSC website (http://pol-vsc/results_round.php?id=644).

7. RULES

7.1 The following rules will apply in the regatta:

a. **Racing Rules of Sailing : ISAF 2009-2012**

b. **Notice of race for Polish Open 2013**

c. **Polish Open 2013 Sailing Instruction**

7.2 In case of conflict within these documents, rules stated in Sailing Instruction will prevail (English version).

7.3 Nadeo umpire will be used, however Pen Cancellation rule with protest procedure as stated in Sailing Instruction will apply (see PO 2013 SI for details).

8. YACHTS AND SAILS

8.1 Regatta will be conducted on ACC boat (**Virtual Skipper 5**)

8.2 The use of spinnaker after preparatory signal until the yacht has started is forbidden.

9. REGATTA FORMULA

9.1 Qualification round and final round shall take place.

9.2 For the qualification round, the following rules will apply:

9.2.1 Three (3) qualification series will be held, three (3) races of each series.

9.2.2 If more than 20 yachts will sign up for the regatta, they shall be divided into groups.

9.2.3 Group quantity cannot exceed 20 yachts.

9.2.4 In the first series, the groups will be created randomly.

9.2.5 In the following series, the groups will further be assembled considering PO 2013 ranking and based on following schema:

Group A:

1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, etc. ...

Group B:

2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11, etc. ...

The schema mentioned above will be used for assignment to more groups.

9.3 Yacht distribution among groups will be published on start lists in cups section for Polish Open 2013 on Polish Virtual Sailing Club website.

9.4 If any participant would acquire DNC score in all races in certain qualification series, he will be disqualified from PO 2013 tournament, unless he will provide absence explanation on Polish Virtual Sailing Club forum before next series.

9.4 For the final round, the following rules will apply:

9.4.1 The best 20 yachts from qualification round will advance to the final round.

9.4.2 Three (3) final series will be held, three (3) races each series.

10. SCORING

- 10.1 Low Point System will be used for scoring.
- 10.2 Two worst results in qualification round will be discarded.
- 10.2 In the final round, one (1) worst result among first 8 races will be discarded.
- 10.3 The result for the last final race will be doubled and can not be discarded.
- 10.3 DNE and/or DGM results can not be discarded.
- 10.4 The final ranking is a sum of qualification and final round results.

11. COURSES

- 11.1 Courses will be provided by organizing authority.
- 11.2 First leg will be upwind.
- 11.3 Courses will be published by organizing authority not later then the regatta starting day.

12. MEDIA RIGHTS

By participating to a race (in particular by showing on a start line) the participant allows for free non-commercial usage of his/her individual image in pictures, video and other publications concerning regatta.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 13.1 Participants to the regatta enter to the regatta on their own risk entirely. By showing on a start line the participant accepts Polish Open 2013 sailing rules.
- 13.2 No action performed or not performed by organizing authority will dismiss any liability of a participant for any damage caused by the participant or his yacht in participation in the regatta.

14. CONTACT MEANS AND PERSONS

- 14.1 For any contact www.pol-vsc.org forum 'private message' is recommended.
- 14.2 Contact persons concerning organization of the regatta are:
 - 1) Egon
 - 2) Kefas
 - 3) Ryh00

15. NOTICE OF RACE CHANGES

- 15.1 Organizing Authority restricts the right to make changes in this NoR.
- 15.2 Any change will be published on Polish Virtual Sailing Club website.

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