



## SAILING INSTRUCTION

### Polish Open 2019

18/11/2019 - 09/12/2019

#### 1. Rules

ISAF RRS 2017-2020 rules will apply in the regatta.

#### 2. Additional regulations

- 2.1 Yacht can not be penalized under rule 14 when she was a right of way yacht or was entitled to room when contact occurred.
- 2.2 Yacht requesting a room to tack according to rule 20, must write „RTT” on game chat.
- 2.3 When yacht was significantly slowed down, stopped or started to sail backwards due to a collision with yacht obliged to keep clear - it must be considered that a yacht was physically damaged as described in RRS 62.1(b).
- 2.4 Yacht must use semi transparent skin when playing paid game version. In case of using free game version, standard Nadeo skin can be used.
- 2.5 In the “Zone” definition the distance is changed to two hull lengths.
- 2.6 Yacht that will "lag" may be excluded from race.
- 2.7 The penalty for breaking one or more rules of part 2 of ISAF RRS is a One-Turn (360) penalty. This changes ISAF RRS 44.1.

### **3. Penalties**

- 3.1 A Two-Turns Penalty for breaking one or more rules of Part 2 of RRS is changed to One-Turn Penalty
- 3.2 A boat may request to cancel a penalty given by the VSK Umpire.
- 3.3 Yacht that was asked for a penalty cancel must accept a request as soon as possible otherwise she will be scored DSQ in the race.

### **4. Protest procedure**

- 4.1 Protest procedure will be available for each tournament race.
- 4.2 Protesting yacht must inform protested yacht as soon as possible by writing „P yacht\_name” on the game chat.
- 4.3 Protest and/or redress request must be submitted using “Protest” button available on race results webpage till 11:59 PM o'clock the day that follows a race day (Pol-VSC forum time will be used). New thread will be posted automatically on POL-VSC forum in section Protest submission.
- 4.4 If a form is unavailable due a technical reasons, protesting yacht should post a new thread on POL-VSC forum in section Protests submission. Then:
  - 4.4.1 Post title should contain text PO2019, date and engaged yacht names for example.: “PO2019 2019-11-19 Yacht 1 vs Yacht 2”.
  - 4.4.2 Post content must contain: regatta name, session date, group, race number, time of an incident (replay time), yachts engaged, file or a valid link to a replay file, screenshot of protest hail, short description.
- 4.5 Protest will be examined by Protest Committee. Decision will be announced on POL-VSC forum in section Protest Decisions. Yachts may not request to reopen hearings and there are no appeal options.
- 4.6 In case PC considers protest irrelevant and protested yacht obviously has not broke any rule, protesting yacht score can be added 5 points to her score.
- 4.7 Point 4.6 will not apply to protests discarded due to formal reasons unless it is repeating situation by the same yacht.

### **5. Organizing Authority rights**

- 5.1 If OA finds any yacht commits a serious breach of rules basing on its own opinion or third party report, it may take all necessary actions relevant to a situation.
- 5.2 Every time yacht finds that other yacht commits a serious breach of rules, she may report such situation to OA.
- 5.3 Cases described in point 5 will be examined by OA. There will be no hearing as described in ISAF RRS 63.
- 5.4 Only final decisions will be published.

### **6. Formula of the regatta**

Formula of the regatta is described in Notice of Race for Polish Open 2019 .

### **7. Servers**

- 7.1 Servers will be started no later than 5 minutes before a time stated in NoR. Server title contain text PO2019. Passwords for competitors for all races will be “po2019”, and spectators password will be “silence”.
- 7.2 First race will start at hour stated in NoR. There will be one test prestart procedure. Restart will be at -1:00 before start signal. Then final start procedure will begin. The following races on the same server will not need a test start and will be started continuously as soon as previous race ends.

- 7.3 There will be no restarts for competitors, that missed a prestart procedure.
- 7.4 It is host duty to control, that all yachts are eligible for a certain race.
- 7.5 In case of host technical problems and mass disconnects (50% and above) race will be repeated at a first available time. Time and date of repeated race will be announced on POL-VSC website.

## **8. In game chat**

- 8.1 In game chat is used for communications considering the race.
- 8.2 Yacht that will spam in game chat may be excluded from the race after a warning.
- 8.3 Using abusive language may lead to exclude a yacht from the race without warning.

## **9. Courses**

- 9.1 Courses will be prepared by POL-VSC.
- 9.2 Complying rule ISAF 26 prestart procedure time will be set to 5:00 min.
- 9.3 Courses will be published no later than 24 hours before certain session.
- 9.4 OA restricts right to change courses while tournament lasts.
- 9.5 Course change must be announced no later than 24 hours before certain session.

## **10. Results**

Results will be published on POL-VSC website. They will be available only for logged in users.

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