



***29er* World Championships**

Gdynia, Poland

26th July to 3rd August 2019

The Organising Authority is the Polish Yachting Association in conjunction with the International 29er Class Association and Gdynia Sport Department

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

[NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the International Jury with a hearing

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 The 29er Class Race Management guidelines (see International Class website under Events and Race Management) will apply.
- 1.4 No National prescriptions will apply
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION [NP]

While racing each boat shall display a coloured placard corresponding to the fleet to which she has been assigned and inserted in the sail pocket near the clew of the mainsail. Placards will be available from the race office.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, located in the Event Marquee. Notices to competitors will also be posted on the Event website at www.29erworlds.org

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 30 minutes before flag D is displayed (SI 5.2), except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by

20:00 hours on the day before it will take effect. Up to FOUR races a day may be sailed without the need for a change in Sailing Instructions

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag poles located on the balcony besides the Race Office building. When a signal is displayed over a fleet flag it applies to that fleet only.
- 5.2 [DP][NP][SP] Flag D with one sound means: “The warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after flag D is displayed”. Boats shall not launch until this signal is made.

6. FORMAT OF RACING

- 6.1 The regatta will consist of a Qualifying Series and a Final Series. The provisional racing schedule is described in Attachment C

6.2 Qualifying Series:

- (a) For the Qualifying Series boats will be assigned to fleets Yellow, Blue, Red and Green of, as nearly as possible, equal size and ability. Initial fleet assignments will be made by a seeding committee appointed by the Class, and posted by 09:00 on the first day of racing.
- (b) In the Qualifying Series boats will be reassigned to fleets after each day of racing, except if on the first day only one race is completed. If all fleets have completed the same number of races, boats will be reassigned on the basis of their ranks in the series. If all fleets have not completed the same number of races the series scores for reassignment will be calculated for those races, numbered in order of completion, completed by all fleets. Reassignments will be made as follows;

Rank in series	Fleet assignment
First	Yellow
Second	Blue
Third	Red
Fourth	Green
Fifth	Green
Sixth	Red
Seventh	Blue
Eighth	Yellow
and so on	

- (c) If all fleets have not completed the same number of races by the end of a day, the fleets with fewer races will continue racing the following day until all fleets have completed the same number of races. All boats will thereafter race in the new fleets.

6.3 Final Series:

- (a) Boats will be assigned to the Final Series fleets Gold, Silver, Bronze and Emerald on the basis of their ranks in the Qualifying Series. The 45 boats ranked highest in the Qualifying Series will be assigned to the Gold fleet. The next 45 boats in the Qualifying Series will be assigned to the Silver fleet and the remaining boats will be assigned to the Bronze and Emerald fleets.
- (b) Any recalculation of Qualifying Series rankings after boats have been assigned to the Final Series fleets will not affect the assignments except that a redress decision may promote a boat to a higher fleet.
- (c) For the Final Series the top three competitors of each day in the Gold fleet shall wear

leader bibs as directed by the organisers. These bibs will be supplied by the organisers.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1 The Championship schedule will be as follows,

Day:	Date:	Event:
	Friday 26th July	Registration/Measurement & Inspection
	Saturday 27th July	Registration/Measurement & Inspection
0	Sunday 28th July	Registration/Measurement & Inspection Practice races, warning signal at 13.55 Opening Ceremony at 18.30
1	Monday 29th July	Qualifying Series races
2	Tuesday 30th July	Qualifying Series races
3	Wednesday 31st July	Qualifying Series races
4	Thursday 1st August	Final Series races
5	Friday 2nd August	Final Series races
6	Saturday 3rd August	Final Series races Prize Giving & Closing Ceremony

7.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 10.55

7.3 On Saturday 3rd August there will be no warning signal after 1500

7.4 THREE races per day are scheduled but up to FOUR races a day may be sailed.

7.5 A coaches' briefing is scheduled for 08.30 each race day in the Event Marquee.

8. CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be the class insignia on a coloured flag are as follows:

Qualifying fleets	Final fleets	Flag colour
Yellow	Gold	Yellow
Blue	Silver	Blue
Red	Bronze	Red
Green	Emerald	Green

9. RACING AREA

Attachment A shows the location of racing areas.

10. THE COURSE

10.1 The diagram in Attachment B shows the course, including the course signals, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

10.2 No later than the warning signal the course signals and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg will be displayed on a board on the start line committee boat.

10.3 A gate may be replaced by a single mark to be left to port

10.4 Races will not be shortened using flag S. This changes RRS 32.

11. MARKS

11.1 Course A

Marks 1, 2S and 2POrange

Change markRed

Course B

Marks 1, 2S and 2PRed

Change mark.....Orange

11.2 Starting marks and finishing marks will be race committee vessels.

12. THE START

12.1 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the race committee vessels.

12.2 [DP][NP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

12.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with ONE sound signal not less than TWO minutes before the warning signal is displayed.

13. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

14. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the race committee vessels.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 RRS Appendix P, *Special Procedures for Rule 42*, will apply as amended by SI 15.2.

15.2 RRS 44.1 is changed as follows. The penalty under RRS P2.1 shall be a One-Turn Penalty. RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one. RRS P2.3 will not apply.

16. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

16.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

Time limit	Target time
45 minutes	30 minutes

16.2 If no boat has finished within the Time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

16.3 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.

17. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

17.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

17.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day, or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

17.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located on the first floor of the Race Office.

- 17.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 17.5 A list of boats that, under SI 15.2, have been penalized for breaking rule 42 will be posted.
- 17.6 Breaches of SIs 2, 5.2, 12.2, 20, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides.
- 17.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.
- 17.8 Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

18. ARBITRATION

- 18.1 Add new RRS A4.3: “A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 while racing may take a penalty after she has finished or retired and prior to the start of a protest hearing involving the incident. Her penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty of 30% calculated as described in RRS 44.3(c), but not more than the score for DSQ. However, if she caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach, her penalty shall be to retire.”
- 18.2 RRS 63.1 is changed to add: “An appointed arbitrator may allow the protest to be withdrawn”
- 18.3 An arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a protest involving a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31, unless the arbitrator deems the incident inappropriate for arbitration. One representative of each party, who was on board at the time of the incident, will meet with the arbitrator. If all the parties to a protest are not represented, the arbitration meeting shall not be held. No witnesses will be permitted.
- 18.4 After hearing the testimony, the arbitrator will offer one of the following opinions:
- (a) The protest committee would find the protest to be invalid. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (b) The protest committee would find that no boat broke a rule. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (c) The protest committee would find that one or more boats represented in the arbitration meeting broke a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31. The arbitrator would offer each of those boats the option to accept a Scoring Penalty, or to retire. The arbitrator will then give the protestor an opinion about whether the protest committee would be likely to assign any additional penalties. The arbitrator will allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - (d) A protest hearing is appropriate
 - (e) The protest committee will schedule a protest hearing for any protests that are not withdrawn. Any boat that accepted a penalty in accordance with W18.1 will not be penalized further as a result of the protest hearing unless the protest committee concludes that the boat caused injury or serious damage, gained a significant advantage in the race or series, or broke a rule other than a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31.1

19. SCORING

- 19.1 THREE Qualifying Series races are required to be completed by all fleets to constitute a regatta
- 19.2 FIVE races are required to be completed by each fleet to constitute a Qualifying Series. If

FIVE races are not completed as scheduled, the Qualifying Series will be extended.

- 19.3 If at the end of the Qualifying Series some boats have more race scores than others, scores for the most recent races will be excluded so that all boats have the same number of race scores.
- 19.4 If at the end of Day 4, Thursday 1st August, FIVE races have not been completed, by all fleets, NO Final Series will be held and the Qualifying Series will continue as a Single Series.
- 19.5 For the Qualifying Series, rule A4.2 is changed so that the scores are based on the number of boats assigned to the largest fleet.
- 19.6 Except for race scores excluded under instruction 19.3, a boat's regatta score will be the total of her Qualifying Series position, plus her Final Series score.
- 19.7 Each Final Series fleet will be scored separately. Different Final Series fleets need not have completed the same number of races. The boats in the Gold fleet will be ranked highest, etc.
- 19.8 Series Scores (apply separately to Qualifying and Final Series):
- 19.9 When fewer than FIVE races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 19.10 When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 19.11 In a Single Series when more than 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her TWO worst scores.
- 19.12 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.
- 19.13 **Resolving Ties**
In the Qualifying Series ties will be broken in accordance with RRS A8.
In the Final Series ties will be broken in accordance with RRS A8 using the Final Series scores

20. SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP][NP][SP]

- 20.1 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices adequate for the conditions. Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes RRS 40.
- 20.2 **Check-out and check-in:**
[SP] Each competitor will be issued with a tally number /band at registration. Each competitor shall, before going afloat each day, check out with their tally band at the top of the launching ramp, keep while on the water and check back in immediately on returning to shore and at the latest by the end of protest time.
- 20.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 20.4 Under all circumstances coaches and other support boats are expected to assist any boat in distress.
- 20.5 When Flag V is displayed by the race committee signal vessel, coach and other support boats will collaborate with the race committee in rescue tasks.

21. REPLACEMENT OF CREW

- 21.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 21.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race

committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

22. EQUIPMENT & MEASUREMENT CHECKS [DP][NP]

- 22.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 22.2 Only one set of sails and one forestay may be used during the regatta. They shall be presented and stamped/tagged during the measurement procedure.

23. ADVERTISING [DP][NP][SP]

Boats shall display the advertising supplied by the Organising Authority on both sides of the forward 25% of the hull and on the boom.

24. OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be identified as follows:

Race committee boats - Course A.....White flags with letter "A"

Race committee boats - Course B.....White flags with letter "B"

Jury boats.....White flags with JURY

Technical Committee / measurement boats..... .White flags with letter "M"

25. SUPPORT BOATS [DP][NP]

- 25.1 Support boats shall be registered with the Organising Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and the 29er Class Support Boat Regulations (see International Class website under Events and Race Management)
- 25.2 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 25.3 Support boats shall be marked with their national letters on outboard covers or a flag. Minimum height for letters is 200mm.
- 25.4 If called upon support boats will be required to act as rescue boats.

26. CODE OF CONDUCT [DP][NP]

Competitors and Support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official or a member of the Organising Authority. Boats shall follow all instructions given by the OA when returning to shore to avoid overcrowding at the launching ramps

27. TRASH DISPOSAL [DP][NP]

Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

28. BERTHING [DP][NP]

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park.

29. RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP][NP]

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction includes mobile telephones.

30. ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT [DP][NP]

- 30.1 The Organising Authority may supply GPS units for use in races in the Qualifying Series and Fleet Racing Series. Carrying a tracking device will not be grounds for a protest against another competitor.
- 30.2 No competitor or support team shall use a drone over the racing area. However a drone may be flown by a licensed company authorised by the Organising Authority to record video and still imagery exclusively for advertising and promotion.

31. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats in the following categories,

- a. Overall
- b. World champions male
- c. World champions female
- d. Top junior (must be born in 2002 or later, under 17)
- e. Ovington Nations Cup, see rules in Attachment D

Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats in the silver, bronze and emerald fleets.

Other prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority

32. RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESSES

Where consent has been given for imagery, competitors grant to the Organising Authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

33. 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 her’s 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 property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 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.

34. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-part insurance with a minimum cover of Euros 1.5 million per event or the equivalent.

Attachment A

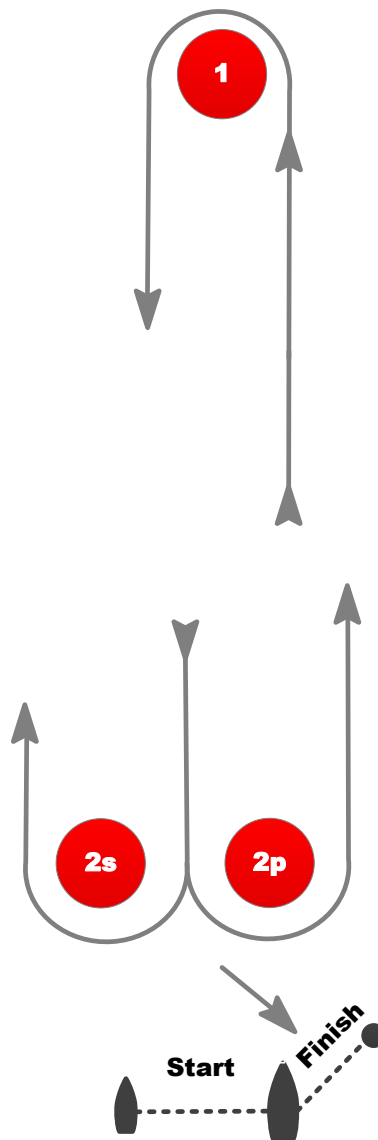
RACING AREA



Attachment B

THE COURSE

L	COURSE: WINDWARD / LEEWARD with reaching finish
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
L2	Start – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2p – Finish
L3	Start – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2p – Finish



Attachment C Provisional Racing Schedule

World Championships 28 July to 3 August 2019		
Warning signal		
Practice Day – 28 July	Course A	Course B
13:55	29er Yellow	29er Red
ASAP	29er Blue	29er Green
Day 1 – 29 July - Qualifying	Course A	Course B
10.55	29er Yellow Q1	29er Red Q1
ASAP	29er Blue Q1	29er Green Q1
ASAP	29er Yellow Q2	29er Red Q2
ASAP	29er Blue Q2	29er Green Q2
ASAP	29er Yellow Q3	29er Red Q3
ASAP	29er Blue Q3	29er Green Q3
Day 2- 30 July -Qualifying	Course A	Course B
10.55	29er Blue Q4	29er Yellow Q4
ASAP	29er Green Q4	29er Red Q4
ASAP	29er Blue Q5	29er Yellow Q5
ASAP	29er Green Q5	29er Red Q5
ASAP	29er Blue Q6	29er Yellow Q6
ASAP	29er Green Q6	29er Red Q6
Day 3 – 31 July - Qualifying	Course A	Course B
10.55	29er Green Q7	29er Blue Q7
ASAP	29er Red Q7	29er Blue Q8
ASAP	29er Green Q8	29er Blue Q9
ASAP	29er Red Q8	29er Yellow Q8
ASAP	29er Green Q9	29er Blue Q9
ASAP	29er Red Q9	29er Yellow Q9
Day 4 – 1 August - Final	Course A	Course B

10.55	29er Silver F1	29er Gold F1
ASAP	29er Bronze F1	29er Emerald F12
ASAP	29er Silver F2	29er Gold F2
ASAP	29er Bronze F2	29er Emerald F2
ASAP	29er Silver F3	29er Gold F3
ASAP	29er Bronze F3	29er Emerald F3
Day 5 – 2 August - Final	Course A	Course B
10.55	29er Gold F4	29er Silver F4
ASAP	29er Bronze F4	29er Emerald F4
ASAP	29er Gold F56	29er Silver F5
ASAP	29er Bronze F5	29er Emerald F5
ASAP	29er Gold F6	29er Silver F6
ASAP	29er Bronze F6	29er Emerald F6
Day 6 - 3 August – Final	Course A	Course B
10.55	29er Silver F7	29er Gold F7
ASAP	29er Bronze F7	29er Emerald F7
ASAP	29er Silver F8	29er Gold F8
ASAP	29er Bronze F8	29er Emerald F8
ASAP	29er Silver F9	29er Gold F9
ASAP	29er Bronze F9	29er Emerald F9

Attachment D

2019 ZHIK 29er WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

OVINGTON NATIONS CUP

The 2019 Zhik 29er World Championship Ovington Nations Cup shall be awarded to the nation with the best overall performance at the 2019 Zhik 29er World Championship. The Ovington Nations Cup shall be decided as follows:

1. Nations Cup Qualifying Scores: the scores of the top THREE finishing teams for each nation are the Nations Cup Qualifying Scores.
 - a. A minimum of one team must be an all-female team and one team must be an all-male team.
2. Scoring:
 - a. At the conclusion of the Zhik 29er World Championship, each nation will receive points equal to her total Nations Cup Qualifying Scores.
 - b. The nation with the lowest total Nations Cup Qualifying Scores will be ranked first and others will be ranked accordingly.
 - c. In the event of a tie
 - i. The nation with the most first place finishes in the final series of the regatta shall win the tie. If a tie remains
 - ii. The nation with the most second place finishes in the final series of the regatta shall win the tie. And so on until the tie is broken.