NOTICE OF RACE

2020 ERGO Hestia RACEBOARD EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

1st to 5th September 2020

Sopot, Poland

http://europeans2020.raceboard.org/

Organized by:

SKŻ ERGO Hestia Sopot

in co-operation with ERGO Hestia, Sopot, PoZŻ, PYA

An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event including

2020 RACEBOARD EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (REC)

2020 RACEBOARD U23 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (RU23EC)

2020 RACEBOARD MASTERS EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (RMEC)



Sopocki Klub Żeglarski Ergo Hestia Sopot

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the <u>Racing Rules of Sailing –</u> <u>Windsurfing Edition (WCR)</u>.
- 1.2 National prescriptions will not apply.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between the Sailing Instructions (SI) and any other document governing the event, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING

Boards 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 **Championship Gender Divisions (REC)** – Men and Women.

3.2 Championship Age Divisions (RU23EC & RMEC)

- 3.2.1 A U23 shall be a competitor aged 22 or younger (born 1998 or later).
- 3.2.2 A Master shall be a competitor aged 40 or older (born 1979 or earlier).
- 3.3 **Age Sub-Divisions**: a competitor may only be entered in one age sub-division.
- 3.3.1 A Youth shall be under 19 years of age (born in 2002 or later).
- 3.3.2 A Grand Master shall be a competitor aged 50 or older (born in 1969 or earlier).
- 3.3.3 A Veteran shall be a competitor aged 60 or older (born in 1959 or earlier).
- 3.4 **REC Weight Divisions**. A Lightweight is a man who weighs less than 82kg; a Heavyweight is a man who weighs more than 78kg. A competitor shall stay within the chosen weight group throughout the regatta to remain eligible for the prize.
- 3.5 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a class division.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Entries shall meet the requirements of World Sailing Regulation 19-Eligibility Code.
- 4.2 Competitors shall be members of a National Class Association which is a paid up member of the Raceboard Class Association, or of the IWA. Membership formalities can be completed on site.
- 4.3 Eligible competitors may <u>enter online</u> credit/debit card or bank transfer payment required. On-line entry will close 25th August 2020.
- 4.3.1 An entry is not valid until paid.
- 4.4 The following shall be presented upon registration:
 - Evidence of valid third party insurance
 - Proof of age
 - <u>Parental Permission Form</u> for those under age of 18
- 4.5 **Support personnel** may <u>register online</u> and the following shall be presented upon registration:
 - Boat Driving Licence (if applicable)
 - Evidence of valid third party insurance

5 ENTRY FEES

- 5.1 The required event fee is 220 euro.
- 5.2 Competitor entry fees paid by August 1st shall receive a 30 euro discount.
- 5.3 Late entries at registration, and unpaid entries, shall incur late entry fee of 20 euro.
- 5.4 A fee of 30 euro is required for support personnel.
- 5.5 Entry fees paid at registration shall be paid in cash Euros.
- 5.6 Entry fees paid by bank transfer to: Account Name: The International Windsurfing Association Bank Details: Barclays Bank Plc, GB IBAN: GB05 BUKB 2008 4452 9772 99 SWIFTBIC: BUKBGB22 Please include "RBEC" in your payment advice and e-mail confirmation of payment to: <u>iwaoffice@internationalwindsurfing.com</u>

6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 The Championship shall be in the *"discipline -racing"*, and is "open entry".
- 6.2 Age Divisions shall race within their Gender Division.
- 6.3 Men and women may race together, depending on entry numbers.
- 6.4 There shall be a maximum 4 races per day, in a maximum 15 race series.
- 6.5 Three races are required to validate the championship for each division.

7 SCHEDULE

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Monday 31 August	10:00 - 15:00	Registration
	17:00	Opening ceremony
Tuesday 1 to	10:00	Skippers Meeting
Saturday 5 September	11:00	First possible start
Saturday 5 September	15:00	Last possible warning signal
	18:00	Prize Giving Ceremony

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 An Equipment Inspection Form shall be completed and returned to the Event Equipment Inspectors by the close of registration.
- 8.2 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
- 8.3 Unless otherwise directed by the organizing authority, boards 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 PROTEST COMMITTEE

A Protest Committee will be appointed, and their decisions may be appealed.

12 SCORING

Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A.

13 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats and drivers shall be registered with the organizer by September 1st.

14 SAFETY

- 14.1 Personal buoyancy is mandatory for every competitor.
- 14.2 A personal flotation device shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50). This changes WCR 40.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first 3 competitors of a properly constituted division.
- 15.2 The first man and woman in the **REC** shall be the '**2020 Raceboard European** Champion.'
- 15.3 The first U23 in the **RU23EC** shall be known as the **'2020 Raceboard U23 European Champion**.'
- 15.4 The first master in **RMEC** shall be known as the **'2020 Raceboard Masters European Champion**.
- 15.5 Winners in the **RJEC** and **RMEC** shall be decided by their positions in the **REC** overall ranking.
- 15.6 European titles shall only be awarded to competitors eligible to compete for a European nation.

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. **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 WCR 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 board shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €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 NoR and SI's in which he/she participates without compensation.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

20.1 Registration will take place at the Club Race Office.

20.2 For further information please contact: info@skz.sopot.pl

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET – not part of the Rules for the event

A PREVAILING CONDITIONS

The average air temperature during the regatta dates should be around 20^{*} C. Racing conditions are expected at around 6 - 20 kts. No currents.

B TRANSFERS

The best way to travel to the club from Lech Wałęsa Gdańsk International Airport is by taxi.

Transfer will cost around 25 - 30 euro. If you wish to go straight to the club the address is Hestii 3, Sopot

If you have equipment to be transferred, please contact <u>info@skz.sopot.pl</u> for assistance.

C ACCOMMODATION

For up-to-date info please go to - event website

D VENUE

The host club is situated at Hestii 3, 81-731 Sopot, Poland. The racing area is accessible from the club.