



## SAILING INSTRUCTION

# Polish Open 2018

19/11/2018 - 17/12/2018

### 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 Taking a penalty given by Nadeo umpire.
  - 3.1.1 Yacht, that considers a penalty given by Nadeo umpire correct, should take it as soon as possible.
  - 3.1.2 Yacht, which was penalized by Nadeo umpire and is unable to take it without disturbing other yachts may postpone it by writing POST yacht\_name (name of the

yacht which gave a penalty). Then she can ask for penalty cancel, which will allow her to find a place to take a penalty.

3.1.3 If PC would consider, that yacht was able to take a penalty earlier without disturbing other yachts, PC may score DSQ for mentioned yacht by the rule ISAF RRS 44.2.

### 3.2 Penalty cancel ("PC")

3.2.1 Yacht, that considers a penalty given by Nadeo umpire incorrect, may request for its cancellation.

3.2.2 If PC would find out that the given penalty was clearly correct, the yacht asking for cancel shall be DSQ from the race.

3.2.3 Yacht that was asked for a penalty cancel must accept a request otherwise she will be scored DSQ in the race.

### 3.3 Acting as a protested yacht.

3.3.1 Yacht, that was protested in the race may take a one turn penalty. In such situation a case will not be examined by PC.

3.3.2 Yacht, that decides to take a penalty must inform about it protesting yacht by writing "360" on game chat and as soon as possible take one turn penalty.

3.3.3 Yacht, that decides to take a penalty must do it as soon as possible without disturbing other yachts. Otherwise PC may examine the case.

## 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 PO2018, date and engaged yacht names for example.: "PO2018 2018-11-19 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. PC decisions are final.

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 2018 .

## **7. Servers**

- 7.1 Servers will be started no later than 5 minutes before a time stated in NoR. Server title contain text PO2018. Passwords for competitors for all races will be "po2018", 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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