



Sopot Match Racing Center



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**SOPOT MATCH RACE**

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ISAF Grade 1

*29 August – 3 September 2006*

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

### **1. The Organising Authority.**

The official organising authority will be the Polish Yachting Association, Sopot Match Racing Center and the City of Sopot. Competitions shall be carried out by the Racing Committee.

### **2. Venue**

The venue will be Sopot, Sopot Match Racing Center and Copacabana Beach Club.

### **3. Event Grading**

The event is an ISAF Grade 1 event. This grading is subject to review by the ISAF Match Race Committee. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

### **4. The provisional programme**

#### **4.1** The provisional programme is:

- (a) Race office will be opened from 29.08.2006 10h00 at Copacabana Beach Club.
- (b) Registration will be from 29.08 10h00 until 30.08 08h30 at Copacabana.
- (c) Practice on 29.08 from 11h00 until 16h00.
- (d) The first Skipper's Meeting on 29.08 at 19h00 at Copacabana.
- (e) Opening Ceremony and Banquet on 30.08 at 20h00 at Copacabana.
- (f) Daily Skipper's Meeting at 09h00 on 30.08-03.09 at Copacabana.
- (g) Racing days: from 30.08 to 03.09.
- (h) Daily Press Conference along with Umpire's Debriefing at 18h30 from 30.08 to 03.09 at Copacabana.
- (i) Daily Official Dinner at 18h00 on racing days at Copacabana.
- (j) The Prize Giving Ceremony will be held on 03.09 at 16h00 at Copacabana.

#### **4.2** Unless excused by the Organising Committee, attendance at the following is mandatory:



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- (a) The daily Skipper's Meetings for skippers.
- (b) The daily Press Conferences, for skippers sailing that day.
- (c) The Opening / Prize Giving ceremonies and daily Official Dinners for skippers and crews.

### **5. Skippers eligibility**

#### **5.1.**

- (a) The total number of 10 skippers will be invited. Only skippers invited by the Organising Authority will be eligible to enter this event.
- (b) All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of ISAF RRS, Section 2, Appendix 2.

**5.2.** To be eligible for the event every skipper shall confirm his/her participation in writing (faxes are acceptable) not later than June 1, 2006.

### **6. Entries**

6.1 The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration and the payment of all fees and deposits.

6.2 Entry Fee.

A non-refundable entry fee of 600 EUR shall be paid at registration.

6.3. Damage deposit.

An initial deposit of 1000 EUR shall be paid at registration. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident. In the event the OA may require that the deposit have to be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event. Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within immediately after the Closing Ceremony of the event.

### **7. Rules**

The following rules shall govern the event:

- (a) The current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including RRS Appendix C;
- (b) This Notice of Race, including amendments;
- (c) The sailing instructions (available at registration) and any amendments thereof.

### **8. Boats and Sails**

- (a) The event will be sailed on 5 Diamant 3000 yachts (boat with LOA 10.5m) and 2 Mantras 7000 (boat with LOA 7.00m).
- (b) The following sails will be provided for each boat:  
Mantra 7000: Mainsail, Jib, Gennaker  
Diamant 3000: Mainsail, Jib, Spinnaker
- (c) Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Racing Committee.
- (d) The teams will race equal times on yachts of the two types and that practice will be available on both types of yachts.

### **9. Crew (including skipper)**

- (a) The designated skipper shall helm the yacht at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- (b) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 4 for Diamant 3000 and 4 for Mantra 7000.
- (c) The maximum average crew weight shall be not more than 87,5 kg.



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- (d) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the International Jury or organising authority may authorise an original crewmember to substitute.
- (e) When a registered crewmember is unable to continue in the event the International Jury or organising authority may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

### **10. Event Format**

- (a) The event will consist of the following rounds:  
Big Round Robin, Quarter Final, Semi-final and Final.
- (b) Event format will be presented to participants at the first skippers meeting.
- (c) The organising committee may vary the format, terminate or eliminate any round, or terminate the whole event at any stage when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

### **11. Course**

The course located on the Bay of Gdansk, near the Molo (wooden pier in Sopot) will be windward/leeward with starboard rounding, finishing downwind.

### **12. Advertising**

- (a) The event will be classified as Category "C" in accordance with RRS, Section 2, Appendix 1.
- (b) Each boat will be required to display advertising as required by the Organising Authority.
- (c) Competitors may be required to wear clothing or a logo of the event sponsor while racing or at official functions.
- (d) Any advertising displayed by competitors on clothing (while racing or attending official functions), on boats or anywhere within the boundary of the regatta venue shall be approved in writing by the organising authority. The organising authority may refuse to give such approval for any reason including conflicts with another advertiser's business interests.

### **13. Prizes**

- (a) TAG Heuer chronographs for the first crew, Henri-Lloyd souvenirs for all crews.  
Might be some prizemoney too.

### **14. Media, Images and Sound**

The organising authority may require television personnel and equipment (or dummies) to be carried on board while racing and may require competitors to be available for interviews.

The organising authority shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.

### **15. Spare.**

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### **17. Disclaimer**

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The organising authority, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.



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### **18. Invitations**

Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers. If you wish to be invited please register your request for an invitation as soon as possible with the organising authority by completing the attached form.

### **19. Accommodation, food & transportation.**

The Organising Authority provides each team:

- hotel in Sopot on B&B basis
- lunch and beverages on water
- dinner every racing day
- transport from Gdansk Airport/Gdansk Ferry to Sopot
- transportation services during the event
- nice service and smiles of Polish beauties around at the Copacabana Beach Club

### **20. Information**

For further information please contact the Organising Authority:

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