



Sailing Instructions (SI)
XXXI PSKE MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIP in the EUROPA CLASS
In Memory of Krzysztof Witczak
17–18 October 2026



1. Rules

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025–2028 (RRS), the Notice of Race, these Sailing Instructions, the class rules and the rules and regulations of the Polish Yachting Association (PYA).

1.2. The following notations are used in these Sailing Instructions:

- a. [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty for a breach is at the discretion of the Protest Committee.
- b. [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1.
- c. [SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be imposed by the Race Committee without a hearing. The penalty shall be one penalty point in the next race.

1.3. In the event of a conflict between documents, these Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

1.4. Appendix P – Special Procedures for Rule 42 – shall apply.

1.5. Appendix T – Arbitration – shall apply.

1.6. The warning signal for subsequent races on the same day will be indicated by displaying flag L of the International Code of Signals (ICS) on the Race Committee (RC) vessel.

1.7. A boat intending to protest shall notify the Race Committee immediately after finishing, without prior consultation, by stating her sail number and the sail number of the protested boat. This changes RRS 60.2(a).

1.8. The finishing line will close 20 minutes after the first boat in the relevant class finishes. Boats failing to finish within this time limit will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

2. Communications with Competitors

2.1. All notices to competitors will be published on the regatta website:

<https://www.upwind24.pl/regatta/xxxi-mistrzostwa-pske-masters-w-klasie-europa-2026>

2.2. An additional, unofficial communication channel is the WhatsApp group Mistrzostwa Masters PSKE 2026, available at: https://chat.whatsapp.com/JI1NFxcihZWKHgRgHQ6wV8?mode=qi_t

3. Changes to the Sailing Instructions

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 10:00 on the day it takes effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 19:00 on the day before it takes effect.

4. Schedule of Races

Date	Class	Warning signal
17.10.2026 (Saturday)	EUROPA	10.55
18.10.2026 (Sunday)	EUROPA	11.55

On 18 October 2026, no warning signal shall be made after **14:30**.

5. Class Flag

Class	Flag
Europa	White flag with the class insignia

6. Course

A diagram showing the course layout is included in the Sailing Instructions Addendum.

Standard course	Start-1-2-3-1-3 – Finish
Optional course	Start-1-2-3-1-3-1-3-Finish

The optional course will be signalled by displaying a white flag bearing the letters **T2**.

7. Marks

The marks will be yellow, inflatable, tetrahedron-shaped buoys numbered 1, 2 and 3..

8. Start

8.1. The starting line will be between the mast displaying flag RC on the Race Committee vessel and a red triangular buoy positioned to port of the Race Committee vessel.

8.2. A boat starting more than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

9. Finish

9.1 The finishing line will be between a blue triangular buoy positioned to starboard of the Race Committee vessel and the mast displaying flag RC on the Race Committee vessel.

10. Protests and Requests for Redress

10.1. For protests concerning incidents observed in the racing area, the protesting boat shall notify a member of the Protest Committee orally after the race in which the incident occurred. If arbitration applies, the arbitration meeting will take place at the Protest Committee's RIB after the race. If the protest is not withdrawn by the boat, and for all other requests, the boat shall submit a protest form to the Race Office within 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. This also applies to all other requests. This changes RRS 60.3.

10.2. Protest and hearing request forms will be available at the Race Office. Forms shall be submitted to the Race Office, subject to the procedure specified in SI 10.1.

10.3. Notices informing competitors of hearings, including the time of the hearing and whether they are a party to or a witness in a protest, will be posted on the official notice board within 15 minutes after the protest time limit. Hearings will take place in the Protest Committee room, starting at the time stated on the protest schedule.

10.4. A list of boats penalized by the Protest Committee under Appendix P for breaches of RRS 42 will be posted on the official notice board.

11. Scoring

- 11.1. The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 11.2. Five races are scheduled.
- 11.3. The regatta will be valid if at least one race is completed.
- 11.4. The worst score will be discarded after four races have been completed.

12. Safety Regulations

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

13. Replacement of Equipment

- 13.1. Replacement of damaged or lost equipment is not permitted without the approval of the Race Committee.
- 13.2. Requests for replacement shall be submitted to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

14. Official Vessels

Official vessels will be identified as follows:

- a. Race Committee vessels will display a flag bearing the letters RC.
- b. Protest Committee vessels will display a white flag bearing the letter J.

15. Support Vessels

Support vessels must be accredited. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall remain outside the areas where boats are racing.

16. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk (see RRS 3 – Decision to Race). The Organizing Authority accepts no liability for damage to equipment, personal injury or death in connection with the regatta, whether occurring before, during or after the regatta.

17. Local Regulations [NP] [SP]

- 17.1. While racing, a boat shall not cross the finishing line when sailing along the legs between mark 3 and mark 1, or between mark 1 and mark 3.
- 17.2. Crews shall not throw rubbish into the water. Rubbish may be placed aboard support boats.

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