



NOTICE OF RACE

10th District Championship Star Class 2026

from 10 to 12 July 2026

Organizing Authority 'OA': Polish Yachting Association (PYA).

Event Website/Official Notice Board: <https://events.pya.org.pl/10th-district-championship-star-class.e156>

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. The jury may refuse to hold a hearing when a boat protests based on these rules. This changes RRS 60.1 and 63.2.

The notation [DP] means that the penalty for a breach of this rule is at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than a disqualification.

1. RULES

1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). The following other documents under RRS Definition 'rule' (g) apply and will be published on the official notice board:

1.1.1. Event support team regulations (ESTR).

1.2. RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, applies.

1.3. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text shall prevail.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the official notice board from 1 July 2026 on.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1. The official notice board is located on the event website.

3.2. [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. [NP] [DP] ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

4.1. The event is open to all boats of the Starclass.

4.2. Each Competitor shall be a member of a club affiliated to his national authority of world sailing

4.3. Starclass-Entries are open to all active, life and isolated skippers and shall be eligible in accordance with STCR 26.1. Crews shall comply with STCR 26.2. Boats shall comply with STCR 21.

- 4.4. To help preserve the integrity and safety of the event and its participants, and as recommended by the Executive Board of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) with its resolution of 28 February 2022 and the related recommendations of Polish Yachting Association all organizing authorities, entries shall not be open to boats/boards representing Russia or Belarus and/or competitors holding only Russian or Belarussian nationality. The organizing authority may amend this rule in the event of a change of circumstances or following any further World Sailing decisions on the situation with Russia and Belarus concerning the war against Ukraine in definition and with reference to UN Charta principles.
- 4.5. The minimum number of entries is 5. The organizing authority may cancel the regatta, if the minimum number of entries has not been reached by 30 June 2026.
- 4.6. The person in charge shall possess a valid certificate of competence prescribed and, if applicable, recommended for the sailing area and the type of propulsion. In addition to the respective official license, a sports sailing license or, for the corresponding age group, a youngsters' sailing license. For members of other national associations, a corresponding certificate of competence from their country applies.
- 4.7. Eligible boats may enter the event by registering online at the event website.
- 4.8. Boats shall meet all registration requirements and pay the registration fee by 30 June 2026 to be considered registered.

5. REGISTRATION FEE

- 5.1. The registration fees are as follows:

	Fee (EUR) until 15 June 2026	Fee (EUR) from 16 June 2026
Star Class SENIOR	EUR 250	EUR 350
Star Class JUNIOR (skipper & crew under 30 years)	EUR 200	EUR 300
Support vessel/person	EUR 50	EUR 50

- 5.2. The entry fee includes:
- 5.2.1. All berthing and crane fees.
- 5.2.2. Social events, trophies and memorabilia as published on the event website.
- 5.3. The registration fee shall be paid via event website: <https://events.pya.org.pl/10th-district-championship-star-class.e156>
- 5.4. The registration fee shall be paid upon entering. The entitlement to payment of the fee does not lapse if the entry is cancelled or the boat is absent. The registration fee will only be re-funded if the entry is rejected or the event is cancelled by the organizing authority.

6. [DP] ADVERTISING

- 6.1. Boats may be required to display advertising and bow numbers chosen and provided by the organizing authority.
- 6.1.1. Competitors may be required to carry on-board cameras, sound equipment and positioning equipment on their boats.

7. QUALIFYING AND FINAL SERIES

If there are more than 45 entries, it will be possible to sail in groups. Further information will be stated in the sailing instructions.

8. SCHEDULE

8.1. Registration:

Participants shall register at the regatta office by 9 July 2026 12:00 until 20:00 or 10 July 08:00 until 09:00.

8.2. Craning hours will be announced on the online notice board.

8.3. There will be a skippers' briefing at 09:30 on the first day of racing. Further details will be published in the sailing instructions.

8.4. The schedule of races and race days is as follows:

Racing days	First warning	Number of races
10-12 July	10 July: 11:00	8

8.5. No warning signal will be given after 14:00 on the last scheduled race day.

9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

9.1. Each boat shall present or be able to prove a valid measurement or rating certificate.

9.2. Boats may be inspected at any time.

9.3. The class is allowed to organize measurement of equipment inspection during the event. This will be announced in the Sailing Instructions.

9.4. [DP] Boats shall also comply with RRS 78.1 between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event.

10. VENUE AND RACING AREA

The Championship will be held at the Marina Gdynia in the waters of Gdansk Bay as shown in Attachment 1.

Venue: Marina Gdynia Club Address: Aleja Jana Pawła II 13A

81-345 Gdynia, Poland

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11. COURSES

The courses are described in the sailing instructions.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is amended so that the two-turn penalty is replaced by the one-turn penalty.

13. SCORING

13.1. One (1) completed races are required for the championship to be valid.

13.2. a) If fewer than five (5) races are completed, a boat's series score shall be equal to the sum of its scores in the races.

b) If five (5) or more races are completed, a boat's series score shall be equal to the sum of its scores in the races excluding its worst score.

14. [NP] [DP] SUPPORT PERSONS AND BOATS

- 14.1. All support persons and support vessels shall be registered with the Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation. The organizing authority may refuse or accept late registration at its sole discretion.
- 14.2. Personal flotation devices shall be worn at all times on the water by all support persons, except for short-term changes or adjustments of clothing.
- 14.3. Drivers of support persons' boats shall use the quick stop / kill cord at all times while the engine is running.
- 14.4. Boats of support persons shall be insured with a valid liability insurance policy covering at least damages to the value of EUR 3.000.000 or the equivalent per claim and valid for the event area.

15. [NP] BERTHS

On land or in the harbour, boats shall be moored at the berths assigned to them by the OA during the event (residence obligation).

16. [DP] RESTRICTIONS ON GETTING OUT OF THE WATER

Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the event except with the written permission of the Race Committee and in accordance with its conditions.

17. [DP] DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC SUSPENSIONS

Underwater breathing apparatus, plastic suspensions or similar equipment shall not be permitted on keelboats during the period from the preparatory signal of the first race to the end of the event.

18. [DP] MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

- 18.1. By registering for this event, participants declare their consent for photos and videos to be taken of them and used as part of the organizing authority's public relations work, e.g. via websites, newsletters, print and TV media and social networks. In addition, the participants or their legal guardians transfer to the organizing authority, without compensation, the right to use images, photographs, television and radio material taken by the participants during the event for an unlimited period of time and space.
- 18.2. Participants may be required to install cameras, microphones or positioning systems on board. The equipment will be provided by the organizing authority.
- 18.3. The three best-placed participants and participants who have won a daily race may be asked to take part in the respective press conference.
- 18.4. Participants may be asked to be available for interviews during the event.

19. RISK STATEMENT

- 19.1. Competitors and support persons participate in the event entirely at their own risk. Rule 3 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers 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:
 - 19.1.1. 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;
 - 19.1.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other

- property whether afloat or ashore;
- 19.1.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - 19.1.4. By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - 19.1.5. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
 - 19.1.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
 - 19.1.7. It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

20. DATA PROTECTION INFORMATION

- 20.1. By participating to the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and their Sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion any motion pictures and live, recorder or other reproductions of the athletes during the period of the competition without compensation in any media, including video for the purpose of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information relating the Organizing Authority, close partners' involvement in sailing events and to competitors participation in such event.
- 20.2. To improve communication it is the intention of the Organizing Authority to provide relevant information during the event additionally via WhatsApp and Telegram eventually. The use is not mandatory. In the interest of the best possible flow of information during the regatta, we encourage you to make use of this possibility.

21. [DP] INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall have valid third-party liability insurance covering at least EUR 3.000.000 or the equivalent per claim and valid for the event area.

22. PRIZES

- 22.1. The overall winner from all 10. District members for all races completed until 12 July 2026 will be awarded 10. District Champion including blue star honours.
- 22.2. The overall winner for all races completed until 12 July 2026 with skipper and crew not having completed the 30th year of age, will be awarded Youth District Champion including green star honours.
- 22.3. Prizes not collected at the prize giving ceremony will remain with the organizing authority.

FURTHER INFORMATION (NOT PART OF THE NOTICE OF RACE)

Events (changes may still occur)

Thursday, 9 July 2026:

10:00 – 19:00 Craning
12:00 – 20:00 Registration

Friday, 10 July 2026:

08:00 – 09:00 Registration
08:00 – 10:00 Craning
after the races: Regeneration meal/drinks
18:30 Opening ceremony at Marina, special event

Saturday, 11 July 2026:

after the races: Regeneration meal/drinks

Sunday, 12 July 2026:

after the races: Craning and Prize-giving Ceremony

Further events will be published on the event website.

Accommodation

See hotel recommendations on the website

Student Sailor's House

Website: <https://akademikigdynia.pl/en/accomodation-for-guests/what-we-offer/>

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