



**420-470 JUNIOR  
EUROPEAN  
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**420  
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**3-10.07.2023  
GDYNIA, POLAND**

# NOTICE OF RACE

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**420 & 470**

## **JUNIOR EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP**

**3 - 10 JULY 2023**

Polish Yachting Association, in co-operation with the International 420 Class Association and the International 470 Class Association are pleased to invite 420 and 470 sailors to take part in the:

**2023 420 Class Junior European Championship** (for men/mixed, women and U17 crews)

and the

**2023 470 Class Junior European Championship** (for Open (any gender), Mixed, and U21 Mixed crews)

in Gdynia, Poland from 3 - 10 July 2023.

### **1. RULES**

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- 1.1 The Championship will be governed by the Rules as defined in the WS Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). Other documents under RRS Definition Rule (g) include the 420 Class Event Measurement Regulations and Policies 2017 and the 470 Event Measurement Regulations & Policies Ver. 4-2022.
- 1.2 No National Authority prescriptions shall apply.
- 1.3 No Class Rules variations will apply.
- 1.4 For the 470 medal races, WS Appendix MR, Umpired Medal Racing, currently available on WS website shall apply. The version that is current when the Championship begin will be listed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.5 In all rules governing this championships:



- 1.5.1 [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.5.2 [SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee without a hearing, or a discretionary penalty applied by the International Jury with a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
- 1.6 If boat is to produce a measurement certificate, she shall do so before 18:00 local time on 4 July 2023. This changes RR 78.2.
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

## **2. [SP] [NP] ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBERS**

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- 2.1 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and/or advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.
- 2.2 From the second racing day, competitors ranking first, second and third in the series at the beginning of that day shall wear on top of their clothing yellow, blue and red bibs while racing. The bibs will be provided by the Organizing Authority.
- 2.3 All boats are required to display national flags on their mainsails. The flags shall be as specified in the 470 class rule C.10.4 (a) (4) and in the 420 Class rule C.10.3.1 (e). 420/470/WS-approved national flag manufacturers are listed at:

<https://d7qh6ksdplczd.cloudfront.net/sailing/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/19014215/WS-National-Flag-Supplier.pdf>

## **3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

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- 3.1 The Championship is open to boats of the 420 Class and the 470 Class and to competitors who comply with WS Regulation 19 – Eligibility. On 1 March 2022, World Sailing published the following recommendations in reaction to the situation in Ukraine:

<https://www.sailing.org/2022/03/01/world-sailing-statement-6/>

To help preserve the integrity and safety of the 2022 420 & 470 Junior European Championships, entries shall be open to competitors of all nationalities, but not to competitors holding only Russian or Belarusian nationality.

420 Class – Each competitor shall be a member of his National Class Association and, if relevant, of his National Authority. Each competitor shall be entered by his National 420 Class Association or by his MNA if such an Association does not exist.

470 Class - Participating crews in the Championship shall be approved by their National 470 Class Association. Only crews in good standing with the International 470 Class Association may participate: at least one member of each crew shall be member of a National 470 Class Association affiliated to the National Authority or an individual member of the International 470 Class Association when there is no National Association in the concerned country.

- 3.2 The Championship is open to all nations (see 3.1 above), but only crews from European nations as defined by World Sailing may compete for the Junior European titles.
- 3.3 Entry quotas:

### 420

- Under 19 Junior European Championship (“JEC”): limited to 12 boats per country and 22 for the host country. The reigning champions may defend their titles on top of those limits, provided that all crew members are still eligible to compete in the same category.



- Under 17 Junior European Championship (“U17 JEC”): limited to 5 boats per country and 10 for the host country. Each country may enter up to 2 additional boats specifically with U15 crews. The reigning champions may defend their titles on top of those limits, provided that all crew members are still eligible to compete in the same category.

#### 470

- Unrestricted.

#### 3.4 Age limits:

Each crew member shall not have attained:

420 U19: his or her 19<sup>th</sup> birthday before or on 31.12.2023 (i.e. born in 2005 or later).

420 U17: his or her 17<sup>th</sup> birthday before or on 31.12.2023 (i.e. born in 2007 or later).

420 U15: his or her 15<sup>th</sup> birthday before or on 31.12.2023 (i.e. born in 2009 or later).

470 U24: (Open & Mixed): his or her 24<sup>rd</sup> birthday before or on 31.12.2023 (i.e. born in 2000 or later).

470 U21 (Mixed): his or her 21<sup>nd</sup> birthday before or on 31.12.2023 (i.e. born in 2003 or later).

Each National Class Association is responsible to ensure that its competitors comply with this requirement.

#### 3.5 420 Entries: NCAs shall enter eligible boats by filling in the relevant “On-line Entry Form” on the Championship website:

<http://2023junioreuropeans.420sailing.org/en/default/races/race-inscription-multiplayer/cruise/no>

470 Entries: Eligible teams shall fill in the relevant “On-line Entry Form” on the Championship 470 Entry website:

<http://onlineentryjunioreuropeans.470.org/en/default/races/race-inscriptions>

A request for entry becomes a valid pre-entry when the relevant National 470 Class Association, or the National Authority where there is no National Association, has confirmed to the International 470 Class Association that the corresponding crew is approved to take part in the Championship and meets the eligibility criteria, and when the International 470 Class Association has received the payment of the entry fees. The International 470 Class Association will publish the list of pre-entries on its website. Only crews with valid pre-entry in the list may take part in the Championship.

#### 3.6 Entries must be sent and entry fees shall be paid to the International 420 and International 470 Class Associations respectively on or before 9 June 2023 to benefit from the advantage of the reduced entry fees (refer to 5.2).

#### 3.7 Entries sent after the deadline indicated above, but on or before 25 June 2023, will be accepted with the required entry fees. Late entries received on 26 June 2023 or later will be accepted only at the discretion of the Management Committee of the International 470 Class Association, whose decision shall be final.

#### 3.8 Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form at on-site registration. They may choose to download their Entry Form from their Sailor Account once they have completed their entry and entry fee payment for the Championship.

#### 3.9 Support Team members (Coaches, team leaders and representatives from participating nations) are requested to fill in the entry form posted at:



<http://2023junioreuropeans.420sailing.org/>

on or before 1 July 2023. Entry fees shall be paid direct to the Organizing Authority during on-site registration (refer to 5.4).

#### 4. CATEGORIZATION

4.1 No categorization requirements will apply (see RRS 79).

#### 5. FEES

5.1 The entry fee is EUR 355 per boat.

5.2 Entries registered and paid on or before 9 June 2023 shall be entitled to a reduced entry fee of EUR 305 per boat.

5.3 All necessary information to pay will be found in the on-line registration process at:

- 420: <http://2023junioreuropeans.420sailing.org/en/default/races/race-inscription-multiplayer/cruise/no>
- 470: <http://onlineentryjunioreuropeans.470.org/en/default/races/race-inscriptions>

5.4 Entry fees to be paid by coaches, team leaders and representatives from participating nations are EUR 75 per person **and shall be paid directly to the Organizing Authority at registration.**

5.6 These entry fees include all collective services provided by the organization, such as social events, boat park facilities, toilets and showers.

#### 6. CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

6.1 420 Class: U19 and U17 fleets shall race separately. All fleets shall race either in a single series or qualifying & final series.

6.2 470 Class: Mixed and Open fleets shall race separately. The Organizing Authority reserves the right to cancel the Open fleet championship, depending on the number of entries received by 9 June 2023. Mixed and Mixed U21 teams shall race together in the same fleet, with the U21 ranking being taken from the general ranking list. Each event shall consist of an opening series and a Medal Race / Last Race, provided a minimum of 5 races have been completed in the opening series. The opening series may be divided into a qualifying series and a final series. The top ten finishers in the opening series of each event shall advance to the Medal Race.

6.3 Qualifying series:

6 races are scheduled for the 420 class

5 races are scheduled for the 470 class.

Boats will be divided into fleets; the number of fleets will be as defined below:

Class	Single Fleet	Two Fleets	Three Fleets
420 JEC	Up to 50 boats	51 to 100 boats	More than 100 boats
470 JEC	Up to 40 boats	41 to 80 boats	More than 80 boats

The number of fleets as above may be changed by the Organizing Authority with the approval of the Internat

6.4 Final series:

6 races are scheduled for the 420 class

6 races are scheduled for the 470 class



Crews in the qualifying series will be divided into final fleets according to the final scores of the qualifying series. There will be the same number of fleets as in the qualifying series. Each fleet will have approximately the same number of crews. The Gold fleet shall consist of the first part of the final scores of the qualifying series, Silver fleet of the second part, and so on.

## 6.5 Single series:

In the case of a single fleet:

12 final races are scheduled for the 420 class and

11 final races are scheduled for the 470 class plus the Medal Race / Last Race.

## 6.6 Medal Race: It will be scheduled only for the 470 class as per NoR 6.2.

## 6.7 Last Race: For the 470 class only, boats not competing in the Medal Race shall sail in the Last Race.

# 7. SCHEDULE

## 7.1 Schedule of races:

Day 1 – 3 July	Registration and measurement	09:00-20:00
Day 2 - 4 July	Registration and measurement	09:00-18:00
	Practice Race	14:00
	Opening Ceremony	19:00
Day 3 - 5 July	Qualifying series	12:00
Day 4 - 6 July	Qualifying series	TBA
Day 5 - 7 July	Qualifying / Final series	TBA
Day 6 - 8 July	Qualifying / Final series	TBA
Day 7 - 9 July	Qualifying / Final series	TBA
Day 8 - 10 July	Qualifying / Final series / Medal Race / Last Race	TBA
	Prize Giving / Closing Ceremony	TBA

## 7.2 No warning signal will be given after 17:00 on the last day.

## 7.3 No more than three races shall be sailed each day.

# 8. [SP] [NP] MEASUREMENT

## 8.1 A Technical Committee shall be appointed for each Class in accordance with RRS 92

## 8.2 Each boat shall produce a valid Measurement Certificate, including the completed Measurement Form, at the time of pre-race measurement inspections. If the completed Measurement Form is a photocopy, its authenticity shall be confirmed with an original stamp and signature from the issuing authority.

## 8.3 Pre-race equipment inspections for the 470 Class will consist of, at least:

- full measurement of boats used by crews within the Top 40 of the World Sailing ranking list,
- full measurement of not less than 10 other Mixed Fleet boats so that at least one boat per country will undergo full measurement, chosen at random by the Event Chief Measurer,

- full measurement of at least one Open Fleet boat per country, chosen at random by the Event Chief Measurer,
- for the other boats, measurement shall include at least: the weight of the complete boat (Class Rule C.6.1), conformity of the hull and sails to the measurement certificate and to Class Rules B.3.1, C.10.3, C.10.4, D.1.4, G.2.2 and G.3.1 (identification marks on hull and sails), Class Rules F.3.5(a)(11)&(12) and F.4.3(a)(5)&(6) (stoppers and limit marks on spars), permitted fittings on boats and any specific checks requested by crews for their own boats.

The Event Chief Measurer may request additional inspection checks on a case by case basis or full measurement for all boats.

- 8.4 The current Event Measurement Regulations and Policies of each Class will be published on the Championship website before the start of the event and posted on the official notice board the day before the first day for event measurement. They will be available to competitors, team leaders and coaches at the Race Office upon request.
- 8.5 In accordance with RRS 78, competitors are responsible for maintaining their boat in accordance with the Class Rules (for the purpose of RRS 78, competitors are considered to be the owners). Equipment checks will be performed at random during the regatta.

## 9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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- 9.1 Sailing Instructions will be available during registration at the Race Office and at the Championship website. Other documents governing the event will be published with the Sailing Instructions.

## 10. VENUE

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- 10.1 The Championship site is located at:

Marina Gdynia  
al. Jana Pawła II 13A, 81-345 Gdynia  
Email: pyabiuro@pya.org.pl

- 10.2 Appendix 1 shows the location of the racing areas and the venue map.

## 11. THE COURSES

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- 11.1 The courses will be Windward/Leeward or Trapezoid.

## 12. PENALTY SYSTEM & INTERNATIONAL JURY.

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- 12.1 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42, will apply.
- 12.2. RRS P2.3 will not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.
- 12.3 An International Jury shall be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b).
- 12.4 Decisions of the International Jury shall be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

## 13. SCORING

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- 13.1 RRS Appendix A shall apply as modified in 13.3.6 and 13.3.7.

### 13.2 420 Class scoring

- 13.2.1 Qualifying series: A minimum of 5 and a maximum of 6 races must be completed to constitute the qualifying series. When there are 5 completed qualifying races at the end of a



racing day, then the event will proceed on the next racing day with the Final series. All race scores from the qualifying series will be carried forward to the final series.

13.2.2 Final series: There will be 6 races in the final series.

13.2.3 Single series: There will be 12 final races in a single series.

13.2.4 The championship will be valid if at least 6 races are completed.

13.2.5 Discards: When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores. When 3 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

### 13.3 470 Class scoring

13.3.1 Qualifying series: There will be a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 5 races in the qualifying series. When there are 4 completed qualifying races at the end of a racing day, then the event will proceed on the next racing day with the Final series. All race scores from the qualifying series will be carried forward to the final series.

13.3.2 Final series and Medal Race / Last Race: There will be 6 races in the final series plus a Medal Race / Last Race. At least 1 final race for the Gold fleet is required to be completed to constitute the Championship for all fleets and/or to enter the Medal Race and the Last Race.

13.3.3 Single series: There will be 11 final races plus a Medal Race / Last Race. At least 5 final races are required to be completed to constitute the Championship or to enter the Medal Race and the Last Race.

13.3.4 Discards: When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores. When 3 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13.3.5 Medal Race: The boats assigned to compete in the medal race will be ranked highest in the Championship except for a boat disqualified from the medal race under RRS 6 or 69.

13.3.6 A boat's score shall be double the number of points specified in RRS Appendix A4, and the score of that race shall not be excluded from the series score.

13.3.7 Ties in the series score between boats with different Medal Race point scores shall be broken in favor of the boat that scored better in the Medal Race. This changes RRS Appendix A8.

## 14. [SP] [NP] SUPPORT TEAMS

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14.1 All Support Team members shall be registered with the Organizing Authority (see 3.9 & 5.4) and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support team regulations. All boat drivers should have a valid Certificate of Competency of a seagoing vessel. The Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.

14.2 Registered Support Team boats shall:

a) fly a flag with their three letter national code (see RRS G1.1) clearly displayed, or shall carry a sticker of their three letter national code on each side of the boat or engine. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm. The flag or stickers will not be provided by the Organizing Authority.

b) fly a numbered identifier flag which will be provided by the Organizing Authority during registration. A deposit of EUR 10 will be required in order to receive the flag, which will be reimbursed upon return of the flag at the end of the event.

14.3 Registered Support Team boats shall act as assistance / rescue boats in case of need and shall comply with any instruction given by the Race Committee or the Organizing Authority.

14.4 All Support Team boats shall have third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of EUR 1.500.000 or equivalent per incident.

## 15. [SP] [NP] BERTHING

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When berthed, boats shall be kept in their assigned place at the boat park.

## 16. PRIZES AND TITLES

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### 16.1 420 Class

#### U19 JEC

- The first three crews in the ranking list shall be given a trophy by the Organizing Authority.
- The first three European crews in the Gold and Silver fleets ranking lists shall be given a trophy by the Organizing Authority. The first European crew in any other fleets shall be given a trophy by the Organizing Authority.
- The first three European Men/Mixed crews, the first three European Mixed crews and the first three European Women crews in the ranking list shall receive medals by the International 420 Class Association.
- The title of **International 420 Class Junior European Champion** will be awarded to the first European Men/Mixed crew in the ranking list.
- The title of **International 420 Class Mixed Junior European Champion** will be awarded to the first European Mixed crew in the ranking list.
- The title of **International 420 Class Women's Junior European Champion** will be awarded to the first European Women crew in the ranking list.

#### U17 JEC

- The first three Men/Mixed crews in the ranking list shall be given a trophy by the Organizing Authority.
- The first three Women crews in the ranking list shall be given a trophy by the Organizing Authority.
- The first three European Men/Mixed crews and the first three European Women crews in the ranking list shall receive medals by the International 420 Class Association.
- The title of **International 420 Class U17 Junior European Champion** will be awarded to the first European Men/Mixed crew in the ranking list.
- The title of **International 420 Class U17 Women's Junior European Champion** will be awarded to the first European women crew in the ranking list.
- If there are 10 or more U15 entries, the first three European U15 crews in the ranking list shall receive medals by the International 420 Class Association.
- If there are 10 or more U15 entries, the title of **International 420 Class U15 Junior European Champion** will be awarded to the first European crew in the ranking list.

The medals and prizes are given to both crew members.

### 16.2 470 Class

For each category (Open, Mixed and Mixed U21):



- Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third crews in the ranking list by the Organizing Authority.
- Medals will be awarded to the first, second and third European crews in the ranking list of each fleet by the International 470 Class Association.
- The first European crew of the final official Open Fleet ranking list will be declared **470 Class Junior European Champion**.
- The first European mixed and mixed U21 crew of the final official ranking list will be declared International **470 Class Mixed Junior European Champion** and **470 Class Mixed U21 European Champion** respectively.
- The first crew of the final official ranking list of the Mixed fleet will be awarded the “**470 John Merricks Trophy**” by the International 470 Class Association.

The medals and prizes are given to both crew members.

## 17. RISK STATEMENT

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- 17.1 Competitors and Support Team members participate in the Championship entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 3, Decision to Race. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- 17.1.1 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;
- 17.1.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 17.1.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 17.1.4 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;
- 17.1.5 The provision of a race management team, safety boats, judges and other officials and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- 17.1.6 The provision of safety boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- 17.1.7 They will familiarize themselves with any venue/event specific risks, adhere to rules and information produced for the venue/event and they will attend any venue/event safety briefings.
- 17.2 The Organising Authority and all parties involved in the regatta organisation will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## 18. [SP] [NP] MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

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- 18.1 By participating in the Championship competitors automatically grant to the International 420 Class Association, the International 470 Class Association, 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, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.



18.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority and in accordance with the relevant class rules.

## **19. INSURANCE**

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19.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage per incident of EUR 1.500.000 per event or equivalent. The Organizing Authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of such certificates.

19.2 It will be possible to purchase a third party insurance covering the duration of the Championship at registration.

## **20. AMENDMENTS TO THE NOTICE OF RACE**

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This Notice of Race may be changed. Changes will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

## APPENDIX 1: RACING AREAS & VENUE MAP

