



## **2021 EUROSAF Platu25 European Championship**

04 – 09 October 2021

Odesa, Ukraine

### **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

*Organizing Authority (OA): Ukrainian Platu 25 Class Association (UPCA) in conjunction with the International Platu 25 Class Association (IPCA) and in cooperation with the European Sailing federation (EUROSAF) and under the auspices of the Sailing Federation of Ukraine (SFU), Odessa Racing Yacht Club (ORYC) and the Black Sea Yacht Club (BSYC)*

#### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 The event is governed the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The International Platu 25 Class Association (IPCA) Rules & Regulations will apply.
- 1.3 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty
- 1.4 In all rules governing this Championship:
  - a. Breaches of rules in the sailing instructions marked [NP] shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
  - b. For breaches of rules in the sailing instructions marked [SP] 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.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race (NoR) and these SIs, the SIs will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.7 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

#### **2. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

#### **3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

- 3.1 Notices to participants will be posted on the official notice board located at <https://sail-races.com/ua/10293/event.html>
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 08.
- 3.3 The Race Committee may give verbal confirmation of any race signal over VHF. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for request for redress by the boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b).
- 3.4 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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. CODE OF CONDUCT**

4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

4.2 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment or place advertising provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

#### **5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at marina flagpole.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

#### **6. SCHEDULE**

6.1 Schedule of races:

October 04th	Registration and measurement	13:00 – 18:00
October 05th	Registration and measurement Practice Races Opening Ceremony	10:00 – 13:00 14:00 19:30
October 06th	First Warning signal	11:00
October 07th	First Warning signal Regatta dinner	11:00 18:30
October 08th	First Warning signal	11:00
October 09th	First Warning signal Prize Giving / Closing Ceremony	11:00 A.S.A.P

6.2 Three races are scheduled every racing day, except the last day of the Regatta.

6.3 One extra race per day may be sailed, except the last day of the Regatta.

6.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

6.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 16:00

#### **7. CLASS FLAGS**

Class flag will be Platu 25 Class insignia on white background.

#### **8. RACING AREA**

Attachment 1 shows the location of racing areas

#### **9. COURSES**

9.1 The diagrams in Attachment 2 show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed or rounded, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

#### **10. MARKS**

10.1 Marks 1, 1A, 2s/2p are yellow inflatable buoys.

10.2 The following marks are rounding to be left on port marks: 1, 1A, 2s/2p is a gate. In case or only one mark 2 she shall round on port.

10.3 New mark, as provided in SI 12, is red inflatable buoy.

10.4 The starting and finishing marks will be the race committee signal vessel at the starboard end and a pin-end boat or a buoy at the port end.

10.5 When a change of course is signalled at the leeward mark, only mark 1 will be moved and rounded.

#### **11. THE START**

11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.

11.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on starting marks.

11.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flags will be displayed with one sound for at least five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

11.4 A boat that does not start within four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## **12. CHANGES OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark, or move the finishing line or the leeward gate and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. If mark 1 is replaced by a new mark, mark 1A will not be replaced and will no longer be a mark of the course for boats after rounding the new mark. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark except that mark 1A will not be replaced.

## **13. THE FINISH**

The finish line will be between staff displaying blue flag on the race committee boat and the red finish buoy at the starboard end, according to the course diagram.

## **14. TARGET TIMES AND TIME LIMITS**

14.1 The Race Time Limit (see RRS 35) and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Target time	Finish Window
90	20

14.2 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

## **15. HEARING REQUESTS**

15.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee tee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

15.2 Hearing request forms are available at the race office in exit control building on the ground floor (white building).

15.3 Notices will be posted online no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room in exit control building on the ground floor (white building).

## **16. RACE FORMAT**

The regatta consists of a fleet race.

## **17. SCORING**

17.1 RRS Appendix A will apply.

17.2 There will be up to 12 fleet races in the series. At least 3 fleet races are required to be completed to constitute the Championship.

17.3 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores from all races. When 5 to 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When 11 to 12 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

## **18. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

[DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **19. REPLACEMENTS OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

19.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the Technical Committee.

19.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the Technical Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

## **20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

20.2 [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

## **21. [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS**

Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **22. TRASH DISPOSAL**

Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

## **23. BERTHING**

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the harbour.

## **24. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

[DP] Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

## **25. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the last race of the event.

## **26. PRIZES**

26.1 The first crew of the final official ranking list of the Championship will be declared: “Platu 25 Class European Champion 2021”.

26.2 Trophies will be awarded to the first, second and third place crews of the Championship by EUROSAF.

26.3 A Trophy will be awarded to the crew of the first all-female boat in the official ranking list.

26.4 A Trophy will be awarded to the crew of the best-placed all-U21 boat by the Organizing Authority.

26.5 Prizes will be awarded to the best ten overall scored boats by the Organizing Authority.

## **27. RISK STATEMENT**

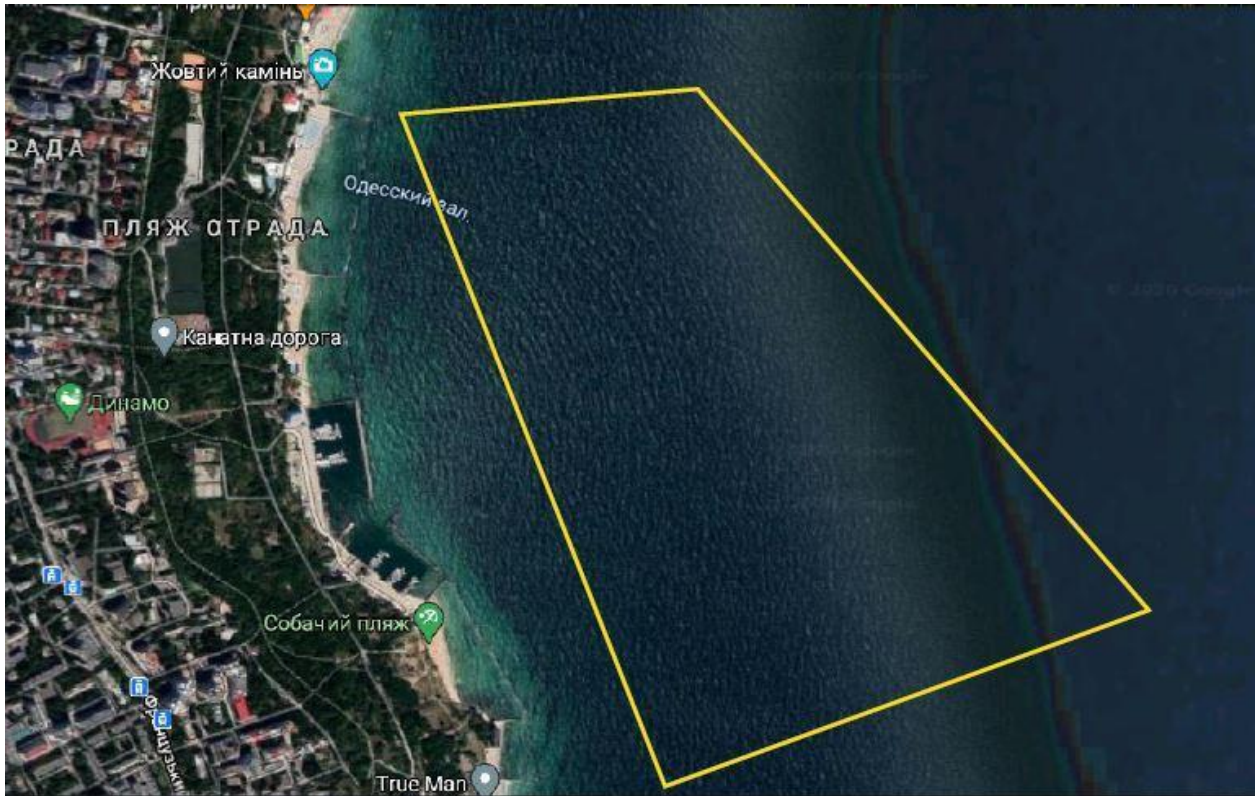
RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.’ By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

## **28. INSURANCE**

28.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1 500 000 Euro per incident or the equivalent.

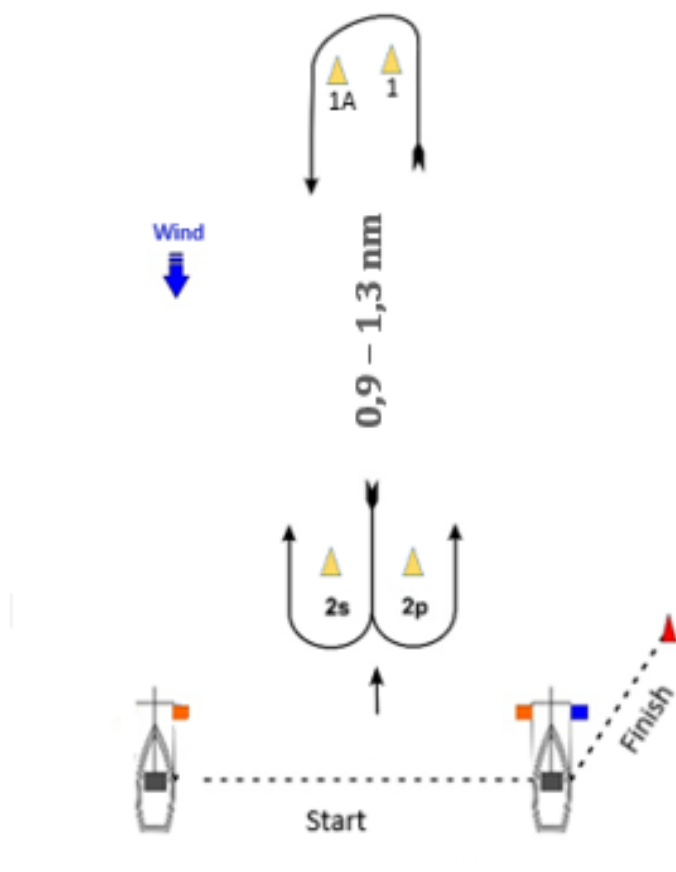
### Attachment 1 – RACING AREA

The racing area is close to the harbour, in a distance of approximately 0.5 – 2 nautical miles from the marina's entrance.



## Attachment 2

Course: Windward/Leeward



**START - 1 - 1A - 2S/2P - 1 - 1A - 2p - FINISH**