

RULES

I. GOAL

The goal of the WARSAW RIVER RACE 2017 (WRR 2017) is:

- ✓ The further popularization of rowing in academic society, between youth and between Warsaw residents.
- ✓ The Celebration of a century of activity of Warsaw University Sports Association (AZS – Akademicki Związek Sportowy Warszawa) in a spirit of sports competition.
- ✓ Determining the winners of 66's Warsaw River Race between rowing crews of the University of Warsaw (UW) and the Warsaw University of Technology (PW).
- ✓ Determining the winners of Academic Polish Cup in rowing AZS ROWING CUP 2017
- ✓ Promotion of the city of Warsaw, it's cultural, touristic and sports attractions.

II. THE ORGANIZER

The organizer of the WARSAW RIVER RACE is the Warsaw University Sports Association (Akademicki Związek Sportowy Warszawa) ul. Szpitalna 5/19, 00-031 Warszawa, www.wrr.azs.waw.pl in cooperation with:

- ✓ The University association AZS University of Warsaw
- ✓ The University association AZS Warsaw University of Technology
- ✓ The Warsaw Rowing Association (WTW)
- ✓ The Youth Sports Center number 2 (MOS)
- ✓ The Amateur Rowing section

III. PLACE AND DATE

1. Rowing regatta will take place on Saturday 14th of October 2017 in Warsaw on Vistula river, between the Gdański Bridge and the Łazienkowski Bridge, flowing water, against the current.
2. Launching places are in harbors on left and right banks of Vistula river, next to the Łazienkowski Bridge, in the WTW and MOS harbors. Technical base and parking for boat trailers and racing shells trailers are also there, so is the Finish line for short and long distances time trials of WRR 2017.

IV. ROWING REGATTA PROGRAM

Saturday, 14th of October 2017 r.

Until 11.00 – competitors' registration.

11.30 – technical briefing for team managers and coxswains

13.00 – beginning of the long-distance races (eights and fours)

15.00 – dinner

17.00 – beginning of the finals in each category

19.00 – beginning of the 66th Boat Race between UW and PW

21.00 – Ceremonial summary of the regatta and the awarding of prizes at the students' club event

V. REGATTA ORGANIZATIONAL RULES

1. The WARSAW RIVER RACE WRR Regatta will be played for each classification:
 - The secondary school classification – joint short distance race,
 - The male and female open classification - singular long-distance time trials,
 - The academic male and female classification – preliminaries: singular time trials on long-distance, finals: joint short-distance race of four best crews based on preliminaries results,
 - The UW – PW classification – short-distance joint race.
2. Regattas, according to previous information, will take place on Saturday, 14th of October 2017 on Vistula river between the Gdański Bridge and the Łazienkowski Bridge.
3. The Long-distance races – singular time trials (Open classification and Academic classifications preliminaries) will take place on Vistula river between the Gdański Bridge and the Łazienkowski Bridge, with start line in line with viewing point on Vistula Boulevards, finish line in line with WTW harbor, the distance of 3500 m.
4. Other races: Secondary school classification, Academic classification finals and main race UW vs. PW will take place on Vistula river between the Poniatowski Bridge (start line) and the Łazienkowski Bridge with the finish line in line with WTW harbor, the distance of 1000m.
5. The crews must be of single sex except coxswain. A Female coxswain in a male crew or a male coxswain in a female crew is allowed. Crews of different genders are allowed in Secondary school category.
6. All crews must be at Starters disposition and in start zone 15 minutes before start time. Start zone will be precisely described and marked on the map. Maps will be available online and distributed to team managers and coxswains during the previously mentioned briefing.
7. Rowing crews in start zone are obliged to be facing accordingly to race direction. Warm up in start zone is strictly forbidden. The preliminary starts will take place in 10 to 30 seconds time interval (final decision will be made during team managers and coxswains briefing), in accordance with the start numbers.
8. Rowing crews are obliged to respect signs placed by the organizer on the route. Organizer only provides a recommended route. Rowing crew is to choose the final route. Leaving marked route zone is strictly forbidden and will result in time punishment. The crew that left the marked route zone will be granted time of the last crew that finished race properly plus 15 seconds. The detailed route map will be available online and distributed during team managers and coxswains briefing prior to regattas.
9. The start number must be visible at all times during the races – on the back of coxswain, bowman, and racing shell bow.
10. Overtaking is allowed only in a safe manner, rowing crew that overtakes is to make sure that the maneuver is safe, rowing crew that is being overtaken has no right to obstruct overtaking maneuver in any way. All rowing crews are obliged to avoid collisions at any cost.
11. Each Competitor (considering one classification) is entitled to represent only one club, school or university. If any member of a racing crew will break hereinabove mentioned rule, the whole racing crew in which such member races again will be disqualified.
12. Immediately after preliminaries racing crews must row to the indicated harbor.
13. If a racing crew fails to start accordingly with its starting number, such crew may be allowed by the decision of the starter, to start at the very end of its division, if found possible.
14. The Organizer reserves the right to change the route and in particular to shorten the route if risk for the rowing crews occurs. This also applies to cancel races.

15. Due to a possibility of racing shells switching, the organizer reserves the right to divide racing crews into two divisions, so the racing shells switching is possible between interested parties.
16. Equipment and racing shells condition according to the FISA rules.
17. Every Competitor is obliged to undersign the Statement of lack of contradictions to participation in the regatta. Minors also are obliged to acquire a signature of parent or legal guardian. Before mentioned statements are available at: www.wrr.azs.waw.pl

VI. THE RULES OF PARTICIPATION

1. The right to participate in the regatta is granted to:
 - ✓ In the academic classification: students and university employees registered to participate in the regatta,
 - ✓ In the secondary school classification: students of secondary schools registered to participate in the regatta,
 - ✓ In the open male and female classification: males and females registered to participate in the regatta with no further limitations,
 - ✓ In the UW-PW classification: students and employees of either UW or PW, registered to participate in the regatta.

NOTE: Due to the transfer of the races from June to October, People who were in the racing crews of a high school or college in June 2017 (have had secondary school status or student status) will be allowed to participate in the regatta.

2. Every rowing crew is entitled to register the maximum of 10 crew members: Coxswain, 8 rowers and 1 accompanying person: coach or manager.
3. **In order to register to participate in the regatta an application form available at www.wrr.azs.waw.pl must be filled in and participation fee must be paid in full by bank transfer in the amount of:**
 - Crews with racing shells: 250 PLN (polish rowing crews) or 70 Euro (foreign rowing crews)
 - Crews without racing shells: 600 PLN (polish rowing crews) or 200 Euro (foreign rowing crews)

to a bank account: AZS Warszawa (Alior Bank) nr 12 2490 0005 0000 4530 8906 3811 under the title: „Payment for participation in WRR 2017 – University name / club/ rowing crew”.

4. The Crews that lend their own racing shells to other crews are exempt from the registration fee (this declaration should be indicated on the application form).
5. Preliminary registration deadline is 25th of September 2017.
6. The organizer, after the preliminary registration deadline, will issue an “organizational message” to the registered rowing crews concerning all current information about the regatta.
7. Insurance costs of civil liability insurances and other insurances remain on the part of participants. The organizer will bear the costs of civil liability insurance related to the organization of the regatta.

VII. PRIZES

1. Every participant will be given a memorial diploma.
2. In main race, the 66th boat race between UW and PW the competitors are awarded medals and diplomas, crews are awarded cups and the winner is awarded President of AZS Transition Cup. Also, smaller prizes are awarded.
3. In other classifications – for achieving first three places in every category, accordingly to a number of categories and number of participants, the following prizes are awarded:

- a) In the academic male and female category - for first three places competitors are awarded medals, diplomas and crews are awarded cups and diplomas.
 - ✓ For the first place in the male classification, the rowing crew is additionally awarded 10.000 PLN (gross) if at least 10 rowing crews from different universities were participating in the category. For the second and third place, additional financial awards of 2000 PLN (gross) and 1000 PLN (gross) are awarded accordingly.
 - ✓ For the first place in the female academic classification, the additional financial award of 6000 PLN (gross) is awarded for the rowing crew if at least 6 rowing crews from different universities participated in the category. For the second and third place, additional financial awards of 2000 PLN (gross) and 1000 PLN (gross) are awarded accordingly.
- b) In the secondary school category – for the first three places competitors are awarded medals, diplomas and the rowing crews are awarded cups, diplomas and prizes worth 3000 PLN for the first place, 2000 PLN for the second place and 1000 PLN for the third place.
- c) In the OPEN category – for the first three places competitors are awarded medals and diplomas, and the rowing crews are awarded prizes worth 3000 PLN for the first place, 2000 PLN for the second place and 3000 PLN for the third place.

VIII. AZS ROWING CUP 2017

Undertaking actions to promote rowing in academic society we, the organizer, are proposing to continue the form of University Polish Rowing Cup – **AZS ROWING CUP** covering the greatest rowing sports events in academic society:

- a) Krakowskie Regaty Wioślarskie o Puchar Rektora UJ,
- b) Wrocławskie Regaty Wioślarskie ODRA RIVER CUP,
- c) Akademiackie Mistrzostwa Polski w wioślarstwie,
- d) Warszawskie Akademiackie Regaty Wioślarskie WARSAW RIVER CUP.

As a part of a Cup we plan to embrace one classification of rowing crews of eight that participated in above-mentioned competitions, solemnly summarize and award the winners during the WARSAW RIVER DAY 2017 – the very last rowing event in the academic year.

IX. FINAL NOTE

1. Regattas will be executed accordingly to above-mentioned rules. In cases previously unregulated rules of PZTW and FISA applies.
2. All Protests must be submitted in writing at the office of AZS Warszawa within 3 days from the end of the regattas. Protest fee is 500 PLN and is due at latest on the day of submitting the protest. If Protest is overruled, protest fee is transferred to the AZS statutory found.
3. If an unauthorized crew member is participating in races, consequently the whole rowing crew will be disqualified from the regattas.
4. Protest and disputes are decided by Komisja ds. Rozgrywek AZS Warszawa. Any appeals are should be directed to the Zarząd AZS Warszawa. The decision of the Zarząd AZS Warszawa is final in all matters relating to conduct in the Regatta and no correspondence will be entered into.
5. AZS Warszawa is obliged to drafting a report with results of the WARSAW RIVER RACE. The communicate will be available at www.wrr.azs.waw.pl and published within 5 days after regattas.

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