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**NOTICE TO SKIPPERS no. 22/2021**

**Re.: the passage of a flood wave on the Oder River - closure of the Downtown Water Junction in Wrocław**

Pursuant to Art. 14 sec. 1 point 4 of the Act of 20 July 2017 – Water Law (Dz. U. /Journal of Laws/ of 2020, item 310, 284, 695, 782, 875) and Art. 43 sec. 6 of the Act of 21 December 2000 on inland navigation (Dz. U. /Journal of Laws/ of 2019, item 1568, 1901, 2170, of 2020 item 284.),

National Water Holding "Polish Waters" Regional Water Management Board in Wrocław informs that due to the passage of a flood wave and a high speed of the current, starting from 15 May 2021, from 7:00 p.m., the Downtown Water Junction - starting from Piaskowy Bridge and Tumski Bridge up to the exit from the lower canal of Mieszcząńska Lock, along with Mieszcząńska Lock - is now closed.

**All sailing units in the indicated section shall either leave the area immediately or proceed to a safe place of refuge.**

Additionally, we would like to inform that since the flood wave moves forward, there is a possibility that the water level at the staff gauges located further down will be exceeded and, consequently, there will be a necessity to close the further sections of ODW or to introduce a prohibition of sailing in those areas.

All users of ODW are kindly asked to follow the weather forecasts and the updates on hydrological situation, the issued notices, to adjust the sailing plans to the present navigational conditions and to properly supervise and secure the vessels and other facilities in the mooring area. At the same time, we would like to remind you that once the water gauge in a given section shows values exceeding the highest navigable water level, water navigation in this particular section is automatically prohibited.

The Notices to Skippers 17 and 18/2021 are no longer valid.

Current information on the hydrological and navigational situation on the Oder River (navigation information) is available on the website of "Polish Waters" National Water Holding Regional Management Board in Wrocław, in the folder [CLIENT'S AREA – hydrological and navigational situation](#). For more information, please contact the Operations Centre of "Polish Waters" National Water Holding Regional Water Management Board in Wrocław, on weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., phone number: 71 32 80 587

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