

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE POLISH SPEED PUZZLING CHAMPIONSHIP

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1. General provisions

1. These Rules and Regulations (hereinafter: the “Rules”) define the terms and conditions under which the 2nd Polish Speed Puzzling Championship will be held on 8–9 August 2026 in Olsztyn, at Hala Urania, al. Marszałka Józefa Piłsudskiego 44 (hereinafter: the “Championship”).
2. The organizers of the Championship are:
 - a) Hala Olsztyn Spółka z ograniczoną odpowiedzialnością, with its registered office in Olsztyn at al. Marszałka Józefa Piłsudskiego 44 (hereinafter: the “Organizer”);
 - b) Polskie Stowarzyszenie Puzzle, with its registered office in Gdynia at ul. Stefana Ramuła 33b/10 (hereinafter: the “Co-organizer”).
3. The Organizer is responsible for technical and organizational matters related to the venue, while the Co-organizer is responsible for conducting the tournament and for its sporting aspects.
4. The controller of participants’ personal data in the scope of registration, starting lists and results is Polskie Stowarzyszenie Puzzle. Hala Olsztyn Sp. z o.o. may process participants’ personal data as a separate controller in the scope related to venue operations and ensuring safety, in accordance with its own data processing rules.
5. The Championship will be held within the territory of the Republic of Poland.
6. The event does not constitute a mass event within the meaning of the Act of 20 March 2009 on the safety of mass events.
7. Registration through the purchase of registration packages runs from 1 June 2026 at 19:00 until 31 July 2026 at 23:59, or until registration packages are sold out.
8. Registration packages are not refundable at the participant’s initiative. If the Championship is cancelled by the Organizers, the registration package fee shall be refunded under the terms specified in the Sales Regulations. A change to the Event programme that does not affect the possibility of participating in the paid category during the Event shall not constitute grounds for a refund.
9. In the event of changes to the composition of a pair or team, the relevant information must be sent to: mistrzostwa@pspuzzle.com no later than 31 July 2026 by 23:59. Meeting this deadline guarantees that participants will be included on the official starting list. Changes submitted after that deadline will be considered individually; however, they do not guarantee preparation of a named start package or a name plate placed on the starting table.

10. Detailed Championship schedule:

Saturday, 8 August 2026

09:00–11:00 – 1st qualifying round in the Individual Category

11:30–13:30 – 2nd qualifying round in the Individual Category

13:30–15:00 – break

15:00–16:15 – 1st qualifying round in the Pairs Category

16:45–18:00 – 2nd qualifying round in the Pairs Category

Sunday, 9 August 2026

09:00–11:00 – Team Category

11:30–12:45 – Individual Category Final

13:15–14:15 – Pairs Category Final

14:30–14:45 – Awards ceremony

11. Registration for participation in the Championship is equivalent to acceptance of all provisions of these Rules.

12. The Championship is not a game of chance, raffle lottery, mutual bet or promotional lottery whose outcome depends on chance within the meaning of Article 2 of the Gambling Act of 19 November 2009.

13. Providing the data necessary for registration and participation in the Championship is a condition of participation (performance of a contract), while additional consents, for example consent to the use of image in promotional materials going beyond event coverage, are voluntary and do not affect the possibility of participating in the Championship.

14. In order to ensure the proper organization and course of the Championship, including the assessment of the correctness of applications and the selection of Championship winners, the Organizer and Co-organizer shall appoint a committee (hereinafter: the “Committee”), composed of three persons designated by the Organizer and the Co-organizer.

15. By accepting the Rules, the participant confirms that they have read the Co-organizer’s Privacy Policy and acknowledge the rules for the processing of their personal data (first name, surname, sports result) by the Co-organizer for the purpose of conducting the Championship, announcing results and publishing them on the Co-organizer’s website, in social media and on the puzzleresults.eu platform. The data are processed on the basis of Article 6(1)(b) and Article 6(1)(f) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council (GDPR). The participant has the right to access their data, rectify them, erase them, restrict processing and object to processing based on Article 6(1)(f) GDPR.

16. During the event, photographs and video recordings documenting the event may be taken. Participants’ image may be recorded and disseminated in documentation and informational materials related to the event on the basis of the controller’s legitimate interest (Article 6(1)(f) GDPR).

17. If the image is used for promotional purposes going beyond event coverage, the participant’s consent will be collected separately. In the scope of data processed on the basis of consent, for

example image where consent is required, the participant has the right to withdraw consent at any time.

18. A participant registering a team or pair declares that they have obtained the consent of all persons being registered to transfer their personal data to the Organizer and bears full responsibility for the correctness and truthfulness of the data provided during registration.

2. Purpose of the Championship

The purpose of the Championship is to determine the best participants in three categories:

- a) Individual Category, with a maximum of 300 participants;
- b) Pairs Category, with a maximum of 150 pairs;
- c) Team Category, with a maximum of 75 teams consisting of 3 or 4 persons.

The Organizer reserves the right to increase the number of participants, in which case all participants will be informed of this fact.

3. Conditions of participation

1. Any adult person may participate in the Polish Speed Puzzling Championship, regardless of citizenship or place of residence.

2. Participation in the Championship is voluntary.

3. Each person may participate in the Championship in all three categories.

4. Only persons who permanently reside in the territory of the Republic of Poland or hold Polish citizenship will be included in the official Polish Championship classification. During registration, a participant will be required to tick the appropriate checkbox if they do not hold Polish citizenship and do not permanently reside in Poland, which will allow the organizers to determine the classification correctly.

5. Each participant receives one start package, regardless of the number of categories in which they participate.

6. In order to pay for the registration package, it is necessary to register and provide the data required to make the payment and collect the purchased package by completing the order form on the website pspuzzlowe.com. Orders may be placed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Electronic orders are processed immediately after payment.

7. The order shall be fulfilled subject to the availability of registration packages at the Event Co-organizer and successful payment by the Buyer. If the Buyer fails to complete payment within the time specified by the electronic payment operator, the order to which the unpaid payment relates shall receive the status "CANCELLED". The Seller shall then have the right to withdraw from the sales agreement concluded with the Buyer.

8. Orders are fulfilled in the order in which confirmed and paid orders for registration packages are received, until registration packages are sold out.

9. Incorrectly completed order forms will not be processed, of which the Buyer will be notified by the Seller.
10. A condition of participation in the Championship is collection of the start package by the participant, and in the case of the Pairs or Team Category, by at least one member of the pair or team:
 - a) on 7 August 2026 from 15:00 to 18:00;
 - b) on 8 August 2026 from 08:10 to 09:30;
 - c) or no later than 30 minutes before the start of each category, except for the Individual and Pairs finals.
11. The Organizer may verify the participant's identity in order to confirm that the data match the registration data for the purpose of collecting the start package, solely by inspection, without copying or recording the document.
12. Changes to the composition of Pairs and Team Category entries are prohibited after the start of the Championship.
13. Participants may use their own sorters or trays with maximum dimensions of 30 x 42 cm (A3), in such a way as not to disturb the person puzzling next to them.
14. It is prohibited to bring personal lighting into the competition area.
15. A participant who is not present at their station when timekeeping starts may begin puzzling, but the time will not be extended. A participant who does not collect the start package within the designated time loses the right to participate in the Championship.

4. Course of the competition

1. Participants assemble puzzles against the clock.
2. The Individual Category and Pairs Category consist of two stages: two qualifying rounds and finals, while the Team Category consists of one stage.
3. The Co-organizer assigns participants to the respective qualifying rounds in the Individual Category and Pairs Category. Assignment is random, and if results from previous editions of the Championship are available, it may also take into account results achieved by participants in previous years.
4. Assignment to qualifying rounds is final and cannot be changed at the participant's request, regardless of the reasons given by the participant.
5. The task in the Individual Category qualifying rounds is to assemble, within 120 minutes, a new, previously unpublished 500-piece puzzle. Participants may view the reference image when timekeeping starts. Each person will receive the puzzle reference image hidden in an opaque bag. The fastest 50% of participants from each qualifying round advance to the final. In the event of a tie for the last qualifying place, all participants with the same result advance to the final. At least 140 persons meeting the criteria for participation in the official Polish Championship classification, i.e. holding Polish citizenship or permanently residing in Poland, must be among the finalists. If among the 75 best qualifying results there are more than 5 persons who do not

meet these criteria, only the participants with the best results from this group, up to a maximum of 5 persons, advance to the final. The remaining participants who do not meet the classification criteria are omitted and their places are taken by the next participants with the highest results who meet the classification criteria.

6. The task in the Individual Category final is to assemble, within 75 minutes, a new, previously unpublished 500-piece puzzle. Participants may view the reference image when timekeeping starts. Each participant will receive the puzzle reference image hidden in an opaque bag. Participants who advanced from the qualifying rounds to the final will be assigned to tables according to the order in which they completed the puzzle in the qualifying rounds. The Polish Champion in the Individual Category will be the person who completes the final task in the shortest time. If none of the participants completes the puzzle within 75 minutes, the winner will be the person who correctly assembles the greatest number of pieces within 75 minutes, with only groups of at least 3 connected puzzle pieces counted as assembled.

7. The task in the Pairs Category qualifying rounds is to assemble, within 75 minutes, a new, previously unpublished 500-piece puzzle. Each pair will receive the puzzle reference image hidden in an opaque bag, and participants may view the reference image when timekeeping starts. The fastest 50.66% of pairs from each qualifying round, up to a maximum of 76 pairs, advance to the final. In the event of a tie for the last qualifying place, all pairs with the same result advance to the final. At least 70 pairs meeting the criteria for participation in the official Polish Championship classification, i.e. holding Polish citizenship or permanently residing in Poland, must be among the finalists. If among the 38 best qualifying results there are more than 3 pairs that do not meet these criteria, only the 3 best pairs from this group advance to the final. The remaining pairs that do not meet the classification criteria are omitted and their places are taken by the next pairs with the highest results that meet the classification criteria.

8. The task in the Pairs Category final is to assemble, within 60 minutes, a new, previously unpublished 500-piece puzzle. Each pair will receive the puzzle reference image hidden in an opaque bag, and participants may view the reference image when timekeeping starts. Participants who advanced from the qualifying rounds to the final will be assigned to tables according to the order in which they completed the puzzle in the qualifying rounds. The Polish Champion in the Pairs Category will be the pair that completes the final task in the shortest time. If no pair completes the puzzle within the designated time, the winning pair will be the one that correctly assembles the greatest number of pieces, with only groups of at least 3 connected puzzle pieces counted as assembled.

9. The task in the Team Category is to assemble, within 2 hours, two new, previously unpublished puzzles of 1000 + 500 pieces. Teams will receive the puzzle reference images hidden in an opaque bag, and participants may view the reference images when timekeeping starts. The order of assembling the images is specified by the Organizer by numbering the bags, which is binding for all teams. The second image may not be started until the first has been correctly completed, as decided by the judge, who at the same time verifies the completion time and records it in the protocol. The Polish Champion in the Team Category will be the team that completes the task in the shortest time. If no team completes the puzzles within the designated time, the winning team

will be the one that correctly assembles the greatest number of pieces, with only groups of at least 3 connected puzzle pieces counted as assembled.

10. If participants do not complete the puzzle within the designated time, the remaining unassembled puzzle pieces or pieces assembled in groups smaller than 3 shall be divided by the participants into groups of 10 puzzle pieces, which will then be counted and recorded in the protocol by a volunteer. If a puzzle has missing pieces and the piece is not found after time is stopped, the participant does not incur any penalty. If a piece has been lost, meaning it is found after time is stopped and after the result has been recorded by the volunteer, 10 seconds are added for each missing piece. On this basis, subsequent places in the Championship are determined.

11. The fees for registration packages are as follows:

- a) PLN 60.00 per participant in the Individual Category;
- b) PLN 100.00 per pair in the Pairs Category;
- c) PLN 120.00 per team in the Team Category.

12. The Championship shall be decided by the Committee on 9 August 2026, after all participants have assembled their puzzles or after the end of the time designated for assembling.

5. Awards in the Championship

1. The awards ceremony for all categories will take place on 9 August 2026 at 14:30.

2. At least the top 3 places in each category will be awarded.

3. Planned awards in the Individual Category include in particular:

- a) Polish Champion – puzzling accessories, puzzles, a package for participation in the “Szybkie Puzzle” competition, a board game, an annual premium subscription in the “Puzzle Tracker” application, a LEGO set;
- b) 2nd place – puzzling accessories, puzzles, a package for participation in “Szybkie Puzzle”, a board game, an annual premium subscription in the “Puzzle Tracker” application, a LEGO set;
- c) 3rd place – puzzling accessories, puzzles, a package for participation in “Szybkie Puzzle”, a board game, an annual premium subscription in the “Puzzle Tracker” application, a LEGO set;

4. Planned awards in the Pairs Category include in particular:

- a) 1st place – puzzling accessories, puzzles, a package for participation in the “Szybkie Puzzle” competition, a board game, an annual premium subscription in the “Puzzle Tracker” application, a LEGO set;
- b) 2nd place – puzzling accessories, puzzles, a package for participation in the “Szybkie Puzzle” competition, a board game, an annual premium subscription in the “Puzzle Tracker” application, a LEGO set;
- c) 3rd place – puzzling accessories, puzzles, a package for participation in the “Szybkie Puzzle” competition, a board game, an annual premium subscription in the “Puzzle Tracker” application, a LEGO set;

5. Planned awards in the Team Category include in particular:

- a) 1st place – puzzling accessories, puzzles, a board game, an annual premium subscription in the

“Puzzle Tracker” application, a LEGO set;

b) 2nd place – puzzling accessories, puzzles, a board game, an annual premium subscription in the “Puzzle Tracker” application, a LEGO set;

c) 3rd place – puzzling accessories, puzzles, a board game, an annual premium subscription in the “Puzzle Tracker” application, a LEGO set;

6. Winners are not entitled to reserve specific properties of the awards, nor to exchange the award for another item or for a cash equivalent. The right to an award may not be transferred to another person.

7. The Organizer reserves the right to increase the prize pool or grant additional distinctions. The value of a single in-kind award shall not exceed PLN 2,000, which entitles it to exemption from income tax on awards.

6. Proper course of the Championship

1. The Co-organizer supervises the proper course of the Championship.

2. In the event of a breach of these Rules, the participant shall be excluded from participation in the Championship. If the Rules are breached by one of the Championship participants in the Pairs or Team Category, the pair or the entire team shall be automatically excluded.

7. Complaints

1. Complaints concerning the course of the Championship must be submitted in writing. Complaints must be sent to the Co-organizer’s address no later than 30 days from the end of the Championship. A complaint should contain: the first name and surname of the participant submitting the complaint; the Championship category to which the complaint relates; the exact return address of the participant submitting the complaint; and a detailed description and reason for the complaint.

2. Submitted complaints will be considered by the Co-organizer no later than within 14 days from the date on which the complaint is received by the Co-organizer’s office. Interested persons will be informed of the complaint decision by registered letter.

3. Regardless of the complaint procedure, the participant has the right to pursue claims before a common court with jurisdiction under the provisions of the Code of Civil Procedure.

8. Final provisions

1. All Championship participants are obliged to act in accordance with these Rules and applicable law.

2. Participants awarded in the Championship are not entitled to any additional remuneration apart from the award provided for in these Rules.

3. In matters not covered by these Rules, the relevant provisions of Polish law shall apply.

4. The Organizer and Co-organizer reserve the right to amend the Rules, provided that such amendments do not affect participants' acquired rights. Amendments to the Rules will be published on the Co-organizer's website.

Information clause on the processing of personal data of participants in sports competitions - Championship

Pursuant to Article 13(1) and (2) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 (GDPR), we inform you that:

1. The controller of personal data is Polskie Stowarzyszenie Puzzlowe, with its registered office in Gdynia, ul. Stefana Ramuła 33b/10, 81-241 Gdynia; contact: kontakt@pspuzzlowe.com.

2. Purposes of processing:

- organization and conduct of the speed puzzling championship;
- publication of participants' results (first name, surname, result) on the Co-organizer's website, in social media, in promotional materials and on the puzzleresults.eu platform;
- photographic and/or video documentation of the event.

3. Legal basis for processing:

- Article 6(1)(b) GDPR – performance of a contract (participation in the Championship);
- Article 6(1)(f) GDPR – legitimate interest of the controller.

4. Scope of processed data:

- first name and surname;
- sports result;
- image.

5. Data recipients:

- visitors to the organizer's website;
- social media users;
- event partners and sponsors.

6. Data storage period:

- data will be stored for the period necessary to achieve the purposes of processing, and in the case of Championship results, for the period during which the event results archive is maintained;
- the participant has the right to access their data, rectify them, erase them, restrict processing and object to processing based on Article 6(1)(f) GDPR. In the scope of data processed on the basis of consent, for example image where consent is required, the participant has the right to withdraw consent at any time.

7. Rights of the data subject:

- the right of access to data;
- the right to rectify, erase or restrict processing of data;
- the right to withdraw consent at any time;
- the right to lodge a complaint with the President of the Personal Data Protection Office.

8. Voluntary provision of data:

- Providing data is voluntary, but necessary to participate in the Championship.