

## NOTICE OF RACE

### OPEN BALTIC BLOKART CHAMPIONSHIP 2009

**Notice:**

Open Baltic Blokart Championship 2009 will be held on 20th-22th November in Nida, Curonian Spit, Lithuania.

**Organizing Authority:**

Organizing authority for this Championship is Lithuanian Blokart Team and VšĮ "Irklakojis" the founder of Blokart Sailing School in Nida. Race director is Vilius Tamkvaitis.

**Eligible to participate :**

- All yachtsmen from Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and foreign countries, as well as all blokarters are welcome.
- All competitors will be required to display series or event sponsor's name(s)/logo(s). If required they shall be affixed and/or worn as prescribed in the sailing instructions .
- All pilots are obliged to wear a helmet and use seatbelts during racing.
- By paying the entrance fee the participant agrees with the sailing instruction and in particular the article numbers 10 and 11 mentioned in the sailing instructions.

**Venue:**

All racing will be held on the Nida asphalt airfield, 2 km away from the center.

**Program:**

20th November (Friday) :

- 11.00 – show-racing at Klaipėda cruise ship's terminal.
- 14.30 – Blokart trip from Klaipėda to Nida.
- 11.00 – 14.30 Registration.

21th November (Saturday):

- 10.00 – 10.30 registration
- 10.30 - briefing of the race committee and participants.
- 10.45 – start of the play-off races.
- 18.00 – Blokart party at restaurant "Kuršis"

22th November (Sunday):

- 10.00 – briefing of the race committee and participants.
- 10.15 – start of the final races.
- 15.00 – end of the final races, prize giving.

**Format :**

- Championship is organized for the Production class only.
- Play-off races will be short-track races of approx. 10 minutes. Final races will be short-track races of approx. 10 minutes.
- Each weight category is racing a separate race.
- Race comity might decide to divide weight category in subdivisions. If weight category is divided into sub division Only 3 participants from each subdivision will qualify to final races.
- We will try to respect the traditional weight categories. A small tolerance might be applied to even the numbers in different categories. Categories are :

- lightweight is up to 65 kg;
- middleweight is between 65 and 90 kg;
- heavyweight is over 90 kg;

- A minimum of 5 participants per category is necessary!
- Sailing rules : see sailing instructions.

**Fees :**

Entry fee is 30 Litas (9 Euro).

**Blokart rent:**

VŠĮ „Irklakojis“ is providing Production class blokarts for rent, price is 70 Litas (20 Euro) for play-off and final races.

For organizing purposes we kindly ask you to inform us of your participation on beforehand ASAP through the registration form found at <http://www.blokart.lt/registration-en>

**Prizes & trophies :**

Prizes & trophies are awarded for the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> positions in each weight category.

**Workshop :**

A workshop with all necessary tools will be available at the waiting zone.

**Arrival, accomodation, catering info:**

The hotel "Jūratė" offers double rooms for special price - 99 Litas (29 Euro).

For further information regarding: arrival, accomodation, catering please contact the tourist office, +370-469-52345, [info@visitneringa.lt](mailto:info@visitneringa.lt), [www.visitneringa.com](http://www.visitneringa.com),

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# Sailing Instructions

## 1. Sailing Rules.

*Meeting Head-on* : when two Blokarts meet head-on, they each must bear to the right in order to leave sufficient space between them.

*Meeting by crossing* : When two Blokarts are coming from different routes, the one coming from the right has priority. The Blokart which does not have priority must move aside or slow down. Forcing a blokart which has priority to alter its route or to slow down to avoid collision, is an infringement of the rules.

*Overtaking* : The over taker must keep clear of the overtaken.

2. **Briefing.** Before each race there is a briefing for all part taking pilots. A briefing will be announced by running up a green with yellow stripe flag. The pilots must gather immediatly at the sailing master.

3. **Schedule of races.** Depending on the weather conditions.

4. **Turning markers.** details at briefing

5. **The start.** Will be a standing or rolling start. The start signal is given by lowering a red flag. Participant unable to start because of technical or other reasons must infor jury before first start signal. Start is open for 5 minutes.

6. **The finish.** The end of a race will be announced to each competitor by showing a black and white chequered flag. The finish line will be between two orange flags. Finished blokarts will go to the waiting zone.

7. **Scoring.** Low point scoring will be applied. The first place will give 0 points, the second place 2 points, the third place 3 points, and so on. The winner of the event is the blokart with the lowest score. After 4 races there is a discard of the worst result, after 7 races the 2 worst results will be discarded.

8. **Protests.** Protests can be put forward until 10 minutes after the arrival of the last Participant of the present race at the jury. Protest forms can be obtained from the race committee after payement of 50 litas protest fee.

9. **Liability.** No part involved in the organization and running this event shall accept any liability for any accident, injury (even fatal), damage or loss wether personal, material or otherwise sustained prior to, during or after the event.

10. **Safety.** The safety of the blokart and her pilot, including insurance, shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner or entrant racing the blokart.

11. **Instructions race committee.** Not obeying instructions given by the race committee will result in penalty points or disqualification.

12. **Language.** The official language during this event will be English.