

Notice of Race

Open Baltic Ice-Blokart Championships 2018

Notice:

Open Baltic Ice-Blokart Championships will be held on 3rd-4th February 2018 on Rėkyva, lake, 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 Irina Žičkuvienė.

Eligible to participate:

- All sailors 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.
- By paying the entrance fee the participant agrees with the sailing instructions and acknowledges that he takes part in this event on his own risk.

3rd February (Saturday):

- 10.00 – 10.30 Registration.
- 10.30 – Briefing of the race committee and participants.
- 10.45 – Start of the races.
- 16.30 – End of the races.
- 19.00 – Blokart party (will be announced)

4th February (Sunday):

- 10.00 – Briefing of the race committee and participants.
- 10.15 – Start of the final races.
- 14.00 – End of the final races
- 15.30 – Prize giving.

Format :

- Championship is organized for the Production and Performance classes.
- If conditions are suitable, races will be windward-leeward races of approx. 10 minutes.
- If ice conditions are not suitable or safe for fleet racing race format will be changed to Mach racing (see drafted Amendment to Notice of Race and sailing instructions).
- Each weight category is racing a separate race.
- Race committee might decide to divide weight category in subdivisions. If weight category is divided into subdivision maximum number of top pilots from each subdivision will qualify to final races.
- Participants are divided into weight categories. A small tolerance might be applied to even the numbers in categories. Categories are:
 - Ultralightweight - up to 55 kg

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- Lightweight – from 55 to 70 kg
 - Middleweight - from 70 up to 82,5 kg
 - Heavyweight - from 82,5 up to 95 kg
 - Super Heavyweight - from 95 kg
- A minimum of 1 participant per category is necessary given that he can race together with at least another 5 participants of the same Blokart class (performance/production).
 - Wind speed limit is set to 12 m/s for Ultralightweights, 16 m/s for all other weight categories.
 - Ice-Blokarts must conform to BAI 1Design rules on equipment, Ice-Blades must be genuine Blokart Intl. blades with no technical modifications.
 - Sailing rules : see sailing instructions.

Fees :

The entry fee is 15 Euro. This fee includes sandwiches and hot drinks on the ice. There is 50% discount for pilots under 18 years old.

Blokart rent:

Organizers will be providing pilots not having their own equipment with Production class ice-blokarts for rent to sail in relay in their weight divisions and subdivisions if any. Rent price is 30 Euro for the races.

There is 50% discount for pilots under 18 years old.

For organizing purposes we kindly ask you to inform us of your participation on beforehand ASAP by sending an e-mail to info@irklakojs.lt containing this information:

Pilot name, surname:

Phone number:

Blokart class: Production/Performance

Gender: Male/Female

Weight, kg:

Insurance: Yes/No

Blokart (production) rent: Yes/No

Blokart Party: Yes/No

Prizes & trophies :

1st, 2nd and 3rd places in each weight category and class will be awarded.

Workshop :

A workshop with all necessary tools will be available at the waiting zone. It is recommended for every pilot to have his own tape-measure for checking and tuning paralellity of rear ice-blades.

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Sailing Instructions

1. Racing rules

1.1. Open Baltic Ice-Blokart Championships is governed by IBRA rules Edition 5, with these exceptions:

1.1.1. A.5 is changed to following wording:

Competitors may be weighed before each event. If required they shall present for weigh in normal race gear. No competitor shall wear helmet, gloves or wet weather clothing. Competitors shall not carry additional weights in their clothing.

1.1.2. C.2 is changed to following wording: Competitors cannot use safety belts while in Ice-Blokart.

2. **Changes to Sailing instructions:** Changes to sailing instructions could be announced not less than 30 minutes before the start of the first days race.
3. **Scoring:** Low point scoring will be applied. The first place will give 1 point, 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 and subsequently a discards after every 6 races.
4. **Protests:** Protests can be put forward until 60 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 payment of 20 Eur protest fee.
5. **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.
6. **Safety:**
 - a) The safety of the Ice-Blokart and pilot, including insurance, shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner or entrant racing the blokart.
 - b) All pilots MUST wear helmets and ski-type goggles or any other appropriate eye protection.
 - c) For safety reasons safety belt shall not be used!
7. **Instructions race committee:** not obeying instructions given by the race committee will result in penalty points or disqualification.
8. **Language:** the official language during this event will be English and Lithuanian.