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Format

European Rogaining Championships (ERC) are held in 24 hour rogaine.

At the same time 6 hours Lithuania Open Rogaining Championships.

Lithuanian Open Rogaining Championships

Event format is 6 hours regaining.

Teams consist of 2 members in foot rogaining – Men, Women and Mix classes.

Teams consist of 1 member in MTB rogaining – Men and Women classes.

For the title of the Lithuanian rogaining champion compete only Lithuanian citizens, citizens of the other countries compete only for the prizes.

SI cards for each team member. SI cards will be attached to the competitors.

Rules

The European Rogaining Championships will be held as a 24 hour rogaining event in accordance to the International Rules of Rogaining published at the IRF web site:

<http://rogaining.com/resources/irfrules062010.pdf>

Participants

Teams of 2 – 5 members. A team member/competitor is considered to represent a country of which she/he is a national or a permanent resident.

Competition classes

- MO – Men open
- WO – Women open
- XO – Mixed open
- MJ – Men Junior, under 20
- WJ – Women Junior, under 20
- XJ – Mixed Junior, under 20
- MV – Men Veteran, 40 and older
- WV – Women Veteran, 40 and older
- XV – Mixed Veteran, 40 and older
- MSV – Men Superveteran, 55 and older
- WSV – Women Superveteran, 55 and older
- XSV – Mixed Superveteran, 55 and older

Participation in the ERC is open to all, without any qualifying conditions.

For the Junior, Veteran and Super Veteran categories the age is determined on the first competition day (i.e. 5 May 2012).

Any team that has a member younger than 14 years of age must also have a member 18 years of age or older.

Teams are competing in every category for which they are eligible.

Teams are entered into particular categories based on gender and age of their members.

Teams competing in the Junior and the Veteran categories are also automatically entered into the corresponding Open category.

Teams competing in the Super Veteran categories are also automatically entered into the corresponding Open and Veteran categories.

Course

The total number of controls and the maximum value of points will be announced one week before the event in the pre-event information.

The first digit of the checkpoint number reflects its point value.

Control markers have reflective stripes.

On the competition terrain, there will be water stations. The water stations are indicated on the event map.

Timetable

Friday, May 4, 2012

12:00 Camping open

16:00 – 22:00 Registration at the event centre

Saturday, May 5, 2012

8:00 – 9:30 Registration at the event centre

09:30 Map handout

09:30 - 11:00 SI cards sealing on wristband

11:50 Championships opening ceremony

12:00 Start (ERC 2012 and Lithuanian Open Rogaining Championships)

18:00 Finish of 6 hour event

18:00 Catering available at the hash house

19:31 Moonrise

20:01 Sunset

21:46 The end of civil twilight

Sunday, May 6, 2012

02:44 beginning of civil twilight

04:19 Moonset

04:29 Sunrise

12:00 Finish

14:00 Catering at the hash house closes

14:00 Prize-giving and closing ceremony

Monday, May 7, 2012

10:00 Camping closes

Punching system

SPORTident punching system will be used.

Only one SI card (version 6) has enough capacity for all controls which will be used in competition.

SI cards for each team member.

Teams may use their own SI cards, if they have a version 6 card, or other, if they are not going to visit more controls+extra punches than capacity of particular SI card allows.

Organizers will not accept protests if, using your own SI card, you will exceed capacity of SI card.

SI cards will be attached to each competitor with a non-removable wristband to the wrists of competitors by organizers in the morning of the first day of competition before 11:00.

Rental of SI cards (version 6) will be available for extra fee only until end of the Late registration until March 31, 2012. (see *Entry fee*).

Location of the event center

Competition will host in Holiday house "Tolieja", Poviliškis village, Molėtai district.

GPS coordinates:

601540, 6130650 (LKS)

55.300747, 25.599074 (WGS)

55° 18' 2.69", 25° 35' 56.67" (WGS)

Terrain

Competition will be held in good and fast runnable mostly pine-tree forest with middle relief forms. Numerous water objects: lakes, swamps and streams. Many forest tracks, paths and trails.

Wildlife

Competitors may encounter elk, deer, fox, rabbit, martena, wild boar, beaver, badger, lynx, wolf. The only venomous snake is the European adder (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vipera_berus). Its bite is not life-threatening, but nevertheless requires immediate medical attention.

Indemnity form

All competitors shall sign an indemnity form that they participate in the competition at their own risk. The indemnity form shall be signed at the accreditation in competition centre.

Medical aid

First aid is available at the event center and provided by a qualified medical professional. In more complicated cases, the injured competitor may be transported to a hospital. All foreign competitors should have adequate travel health insurance, covering also participation in a competition. In the absence of health insurance, hospitals may charge the full cost of treatment.

Weather

The weather in May is normally warm and no rain, average air temperatures in day time 15-20 °C and 5 – 10 °C at night.

The weather forecasts <http://www.meteo.lt/english/forecasts.php>

Registration

On-line registration to the event opens on January 1, 2012 in via www.erc2012.lt web page.

Entry fee (per competitor)

General registration (until February 29, 2012)

Open, Veteran — **40 EUR**

Super Veteran, Junior — **30 EUR**

Late registration (until March 31, 2012)

Open, Veteran — **50 EUR**

Super Veteran, Junior — **35 EUR**

Last chance registration (until May 1, 2012. The late registration can be done if only there is a free space.)

Open, Veteran — **75 EUR**

Super Veteran, Junior — **50 EUR**

Lithuanian Open Rogaining Championships (6 hours rogaining) - **8 EUR/** competitor.

Rental fee of SI card is 3 EUR.

Entry fee is payable at the competition center at the accreditation time, before the event. If you want to pay in advance by bank transfer - please contact us.

If registered team/participant don't take part in competition – the team representatives must pay a half of the entry fee.

The entry fee covers participation in the competition, rogaining map and course planning maps, number bibs, catering during the race, parking and tenting in the event center, and awards for the best teams. The entry fee includes an IRF levy (5 EUR).

In case of loss of the SI card, a fee of 50 EUR will be charged.

Start

All competitors shall enter the start area by 11:45. SI cards are cleared and checked by organizers at start area gate.

Each competitor must be sure his SI card is cleared and checked when entering the start area. The start is given 12:00 on Saturday, May 5 with well audible sound.

Finish

The control time is 24 hours and it's end 12:00 on Sunday, May 6 (6 hours for Lithuanian Open Rogaining Championships and it's end 18:00 on Saturday, May 5). After finishing the course (by punching the SI station "Finish"), the organizers will remove the wristband and download the reading of the SI card.

The point penalty for finishing after the nominated finish time is 1 point per each minute or part thereof. Teams finishing more than 30 minutes late will get disqualification.

Results

After the finish, each competitor gets a printout of the reading SI cards.

The individual SI printout shall be considered as a preliminary, and not a final result. Preliminary team results are posted at the competition centre after the competition control time. Final results will be published on the ERC website.

Protests

Within 45 minutes of the nominated finish time, a team may submit a protest about any team thought to have breached the rules, about the preliminary results of the team or about any actions of the organizers that they consider made the competition unfair. Protests shall be submitted in writing in English.

Jury

Any protests are considered and determined by a three person jury. Members of the jury will be announced in pre-start information. Any IRF member or observer present at the competition can be called in as an alternate jury member in case of a protest involving one of the nominated jury members.

Prizes

The team with the highest score in each class is granted the title of the European Rogaining Champions. Three best teams in each class are awarded with prizes.

Travel and visa information

The event center can be easily reached by car (own or rental) from Vilnius or Kaunas airport and ferry terminal from Klaipėda as well as from the surrounding countries.

Residents of the European Union member states, as well as Switzerland, Norway and Iceland do not require a visa and may enter Lithuania using a valid passport or identification card. Residents of other countries need a visa to enter Lithuania. The visa shall be obtained from the Lithuanian embassies abroad.

If you need an official invitation – please contact us, we will send invitation to you.

Accommodation and Parking

Teams could camp using personal tents and camping equipment on the camping area signed by organizers close to event center from Friday 12.00 until Monday 10.00.

At the campsite there will be provided drinking water, toilets and a place for charging electrical devices. At camping area it is prohibited to use an open fire.

There will be a car parking near the camping place.

Camping place fee is included in Rogaining participant fee.

The competition centre will be held in Holiday house "Tolieja" territory. There is an opportunity to live in the Holiday house rooms. Living room is not included in Rogaining participant fee.

Information and prices will be published soon!

Getting there

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