



Lietuvos alpinizmo asociacija

Lithuanian mountaineering association

BALTICUM 2017

ARTICLES GOVERNING THE BALTIC STATES MOUNTAINEERING CHAMPIONSHIP 2017

1. MISSION OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

Mission of the championship is to promote mountaineering and mountain trekking and select the best climbs, treks and teams.

2. TIME AND LOCATION

- 2.1. The evaluation of climbing reports of the championship will take place on 16th of December 2017 in Lithuania, Vilnius University “The Theatre hall” (Universiteto st. 3, Vilnius)
- 2.2. The championship and award ceremony will be held on 16th of December 2017 in Lithuania.

3. MANAGEMENT OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

- 3.1. Management of the championship is organized by Lithuanian Alpine Association and Lietuvos Keliautojų Sąjunga. Additional information at www.alpinist.lt.
- 3.2. Chief Judge of the championship is Marius Pulkauninkas.

4. TERMS OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

- 4.1. Members of teams must be citizens or permanent residents of the Baltic States.
- 4.2. Routes, eligible for the championship – climbed all over the world from 1st of November 2016 to 31st of October 2017.
- 4.3. Championship will be held in four categories:
 - a) climbing category (climbs up to 3500m);
 - b) technical category (climbs up to 6000 m);
 - c) high mountain category (climbs above 6000 m);
 - d) mountain trekking category.



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4.4. Teams should consist of:

- a) no more than 8 members of the team in the climbing and technical categories;
- b) no more than 12 members of the team in the high mountain and treks categories.

4.5. Requirements for formatting route report are stated in Appendix 1. In trekking category the traditional report should be submitted (Appendix 2).

4.6. The reports should be presented in English or in Russian, preferred on printed paper and submitted to the Jury no later than 15th of November 2017.

Alternatively, reports can be submitted to the Jury by e-mail (info@alpinist.lt) in the form of .PDF or .DOC no later than 15th of November 2017.

5. DETERMINATION OF WINNERS

5.1. Determination of the winning team is prerogative of the Jury. The Jury consists of 6 Judges – 2 representing each participating country.

5.2. The Jury will assess ascents and routes based on reports submitted, as well as additional information provided by the representatives of the countries and teams.

5.3. The Jury will choose winners by secret voting or joint decision.

5.4. The Jury may allocate additional prizes (for originality and novelty of the route, quality of the report, etc.).

5.5. The ranking by country. First place in every category gets 10 points, second place 8 points, third place 7 points, etc. Three best ascents of each country will be chosen in each category. In case of equal score, the advantage is given to the country with most first places awarded, then with most second places, etc.

5.6. The countries will submit only 5 best teams in each category to eliminate winning of the country based on the number of reports solely.

6. AWARD CEREMONY

The winning team in each category will receive medals and diplomas for each member of the team.

7. PROTESTS

Appeals against the assessment of the Jury are accepted within 2 (two) hours after the announcement of awards. Three extra members (one from each country) will be added to the Jury for the examination of appeals.



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8. COSTS

The participants shall cover all costs related to the participation in the championship. The fee per person is 20 EUR. Two members of the Jury from each country and the Presidents of the national mountaineering associations shall be exempt from the fee. Please inform us about your participation until 15th of November to info@alpinist.lt or tel. +37067643233

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APPENDIX 1. EXAMPLE OF ROUTE REPORT

Good practice of the route reports submitted for the championship includes:

Route passport

1. Category of the report (climbing, technical, high mountain or mountain trek class)
2. Area of mountains, country
3. Name of the peak, height, title of the route
4. Category of difficulty (see appendix 3);
5. Route characteristics (rock, snow, ice, mixed)
6. Height difference of the route
 - Length of the route
 - Length of each technical section
 - Steepness of the technical part
 - Steepness of the route
7. Placed and removed technical hardware on route (totals)
Movements made with help of aiders
7. Hours spent on the route
Number of overnights on route
8. Departure from the base camp (time & date)
At the start of the route
On top
End of the route
Arrival at the base camp
9. Weather conditions
10. Information of the group leader and team members (name, club, country)



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Description of the route

- Technical photo of the peak with the route line
- Photo of the wall with route lines and ascend tries
- Photo of the route side view (the performed route should be marked in pictures)
- Scheme of the profile of the route
- Photo panorama of the region
- Map of the region
- Graphs of the teams ascent with acclimatization.
- Scheme of the route (in symbols UIAA – see appendix 4; sections with difficulty grade, length, steepness, used equipment for progression)
- Route description in sections
- Tactical actions of the team
- Short description of the most difficult stages of the route;
- Description of lodgings;
- Relief, circumstances of the route (snow, ice, ice covered rocks etc.) and weather;
- Amount of the constant hooks on the route;
- Proof of peaks visitation (photo, note etc)
- Photo illustrations of the ascent (can be added to the report in order to better described performed route and circumstances during it)
- Notes. Additional information considered necessary by members of the team for the Jury to take into consideration when evaluating submitted route. For example style applied during the route, emergency route etc.



APPENDIX 2. EXAMPLE OF THE MOUNTAIN TREKKING REPORT

The title page (area of mountains, category of difficulty, dates, team leader and the list of participants)

Trekking route passport:

Area of mountains

Category of difficulty

Number of participants

Dates

Duration (days)

Length (km)

Total climb (m)

Trekking route (detailed)

Number of technical sections and obstacles and grade of difficulty

Group leader

List of participants

Overview map of the region showing the route

Timetable

Should be in the form of table, recommended data: the date, daily route (from - to), daily length in km, running time, technical sections and obstacles, daily ascent/descent, height of the camping place, weather conditions.

List of technical sections and obstacles:

Should be in the form of tables, recommended data: technical section, category of difficulties, length, height/climb, characteristics of obstacles.

Description of passing the technical sections of the route:

Complex technical sections are described in detail - description of the section, difficulties and threats, grade of difficulty, photo of the section, description of the groups action on the section, securing methods, used equipment.

More information about the mountain trek:

Short description of the area of the mountains (geographical and climatic) Equipment lists (technical, camping, general)

Other useful information

Results, conclusions, recommendations

The scheme route in more detail

Photo of the most complex sections

Diary of the trek (shortly)



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APPENDIX 3. COMPARATIVE TABLE OF ROUTE DIFFICULTY GRADES

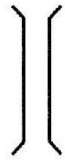
European Alpine	RUS	USA	UIAA + Artificial			France
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F+	1B					
<i>PD peu difficile/ moderately difficult</i>	2A		III			
		5.1	III+			
PD+	2B	5.2	IV-			
<i>AD assez difficile/ fairly difficult</i>	3A	5.3	IV			
		5.4	IV+			
AD+	3B	5.5	V-			
<i>D difficile/ difficult</i>	4A	5.6	V			
		5.7	V+			
D+	4B	5.8	VI-			
<i>TD tres difficile/ very difficult</i>	5A	5.9	VI			
		5.10a	VI+			
TD+	5B	5.10b	VII-			
		5.10c	VII			
<i>ED1 extremement difficile/ extremely difficult</i>	6A	5.10d	VII+			
		5.11a	VIII-			
ED2	6B	5.11b	VIII			
		5.11c	VIII+			
ED3		5.11d	IX-			
		5.12a	IX			
ED4		5.12b				
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					4c	
					5a	
					5b	
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					6c+	
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APPENDIX 4. UIAA LEGEND OF ROUTE ELEMENTS



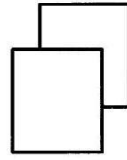
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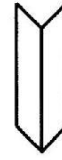
Klemmblock
chockstone



Rinne/Couloir
couloir



Platten
slab/rock wall



Verschneidung
corner/
dihedral (US)



Riss
crack



Wasserstreifen



Rampe
ramp



Kante
arete/rib/ridge



Band
ledge



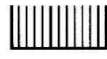
Absatz/Schulter
area/shoulder



Überhang
overhang



Wächte
cornice



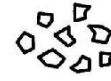
Dach
roof



Nische / Höhle
niche



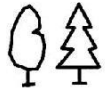
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/Eis
snow/firn/ice



Felsblöcke/ Schutt
rock



Gras
grass



Baum
tree



Latsche



Sanduhr
pillar (small)/
limestone



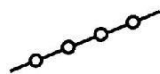
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Bohrhaken
bolt



Schlüsselstelle
sequence/crux-pitch



fixes Drahtseil
fixed rope



Standplatz
belay



Biwakplatz
portaledge



Abseilstelle
abseil anchor/
rappel anchor
(US)



Pendelquergang
pendulum



sichtbare Route
visible route



verdeckte Route
hidden route



Variante
variation