



Rules of the Race

1. Essence of the event

Paddling night marathon in river Salaca, without stops, without tents. Complete river in one shot

2. Time and place

Start:

For all boats except inflatable boats
Salaca river. Left bank. Near to Vecates bridge
3day, 21 of august at 21:00

For inflatable boats
Staicele dam. Left bank
4day, 22 of august at 02:00

Registration - Till 220818 17:00 www.mauciens.fr
(for registration press button - pieteikties - it is in latvian, if you need assistance, please contact - +371 29263907. mĀRIS maris.smilga.21@gmail.com)

or

For all boats except inflatable boats
21 of august 19:30 - 20:30 at start spot

For inflatable boats
22 of august 00:30-01:30 at start spot

Start procedure:

For all boats except inflatable boats
Separate start for each boat type (if needed boats will be divided according registration order)
Start will be open 60 min (till 22:00)

For inflatable boats
One by one. 30 sec. interval in registration order (finish time is not going to be corrected)
Start will be open 60 min (till 03:00)

Finish: Salacgriva, before bridge (right bank) (if changes (because low water) - will be updated before start)

Time limit: 20 hours from start (for inflatable boats 14 hours)

* Start and finish places can change. Registered participants will be informed

3. Participants

Any person who agree with those rules can register and can participate in this race

Boats:

- single sea kayaks. Attention! Because of safety reasons team in this class is two boats. It is also allowed to join boat from other class (for example sea kayak and tandem kayak) (but you need to declare that before start or in Staicele (in case other team member decided not to continue from there))
- Tandem kayak
- Tandem canoe (with single blade canoe paddles)
- Inflatable boats. At least 2 persons
- SUP (two SUP boards) (with single blade paddle)

Attention! This is paddling marathon, so portages and short-cuts are not allowed, except at the Staicele dam. **It is prohibited to cross Staicele dam** (use left bank). You can also carry around lamprey weir (near Salacgrīva)

* Race committee reserves rights to change boat classes. (join them together or announce new class)

4. Scoring

Simple → team which arrives first is winner. Regarding kayaks - time will be calculated as finish time of last kayak (of your team) + time difference between kayaks if it exceeds 3min (for example if first boat arrives 09:00 and second 09:12, finish time will be 09:24) (so this mean that you receive penalty if you are not finishing together)

Winners will be calculated in each class separately

Winners will be announced 5min after time limit excited or 10min after finish of last boat (whichever first) or earlier. It can be organized also earlier. In practice it usually means that it will happen in several rounds

5. Equipment

Participants in race use their own equipment. In case of doubt about in which class boat fits, race judge will decide

Boats which drown when capsized must be equipped with additional buoyancy aid

Mandatory equipment

*Cup and spoon (for breakfast in finish)

*Life-jacket

*flash light (but it is not mandatory to use it)

*cellular phone with fully charged battery in waterproof packaging

*first aid kit (you decide what you need, but must have at least medical patch and elastic band + individual medicine (if required))

*repair kit for foldable kayaks and inflatable boats

*food and water (**at least 1.5l** (please take this very seriously))

equipment will be checked before start

6. Assistance from outside

Any kind of assistance from third parties during the race is prohibited (except for services provided by organizers). In case a team has received help from third parties team can be penalized. Team should inform judge about the fact within 30 minutes after finish. For each case judge will decide about the penalty which will be used - the addition of penalty time to total time of a distance or disqualification

*It is allowed to restock food/drinking water during pit-stop near Staicele dam

7. Assistance during the course

Participants must give first aid in case some other team needs it and can be disqualified if not providing it. It is not mandatory to help to save equipment

In case of necessity participants can be evacuated from Staicele dam (other places - depends from possibilities). Participants must pay evacuation costs

8. Registration for the race

To register for the race you must fill out the registration form and pay the entrance fee.

Entrance fee (for each person) is:

- 20 eur
- first 1000 from previous years participants list (klatpievienotais.pdf) - 18eur
- first 100 from previous years participants list - 15eur
- first 21 from previous years participants list – 10 eur
- first 10 from previous years participants list - for free (you still need to register)
- 7 per supporter (will have breakfast)

Participants who will register and pay till 7 of august will also receive Tshirt (white)

Supporters can also declare and help organizers. In that case they do not need to pay anything, will have Tshirt and good company

If you participated before, but cant find yourself in the list, please contact (list contains only persons who participate during the past 5 years)

Entrance fee includes organizational expenses as well as mid/after finish service (hot drinks, food, prizes)

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9. Liability

All participants themselves are responsible for their physical and mental condition when applying for the race. You confirming that with a signature before start. Participants have to obey the rules of fair play during the race and rules of personal safety on water

Rules of the race provide list of minimum of required equipment (section 5). Participants should and **are obligated** bring additional equipment which necessary because of specific of boat, which dictates their experience (examples can be helmets or glasses) or health condition