

2012 Lithuanian Automobile Rally Championship (LARC)

REGULATIONS

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DEFINITIONS USED IN THESE REGULATIONS

- **CARS** the land vehicle, propelled by its motor mechanisms and driven by at least four turning wheels, which are not in one line and sustain a constant contact with a land. At least two of the wheels are dirigible and at least two are driving.
- **ASF** National club or national federation, recognised by FIA as the sole holder of sporting power in the country. LASF In the Republic of Lithuania.
- **GPPLASOC** General pursuance provisions of Lithuanian automobile sport oficial LARC events (competitions);
- **Entrant** a person participating in the LARC event, the first or the second driver, holding a valid driving license and involved in the Competitor's license;
- **FIA** International automobile sport federation;
- FIA TSK International Automobile Sport Code;
- **Homologation** It is the official certification made by the FIA that a minimum number of cars of a specific model has been made on series-production terms to justify classification of these regulations. (FIA TSK "J" art. 251, point 2.1.7).
- **Club** public or private juridical person, acting in the automobile sport sphere according to the regulations of the club;
- **Team** a group of sportsmen of one club who regularly practise and participate in the LARC event and have LASF Competitor's license. A team involves sportsmen and official representatives;
- LASF The Lithuanian Automobile Sport Federation;
- LASF Appeal Court an institution which has a right to make a final decision in case of contentions in Lithuanian automobile sport;
- LARC event Lithuanian automobile rally LARC's event holded by LASF attorney;
- LASC Lithuanian Automobile Sport Code;
- **NEZ** Northern Europe Zone;
- Official results achievements of entrants approved by BSC under the definite rights in LARC event, series of competition results approved by LASF rally committee under the definite rights.
- **Organiser** a juridical person, approved by rally committee as an organiser of LARC events and competition, who gets a right to organise and hold LARC events and competitions under the agreement with LASF:
- **Supplementary regulations** a document prepared in accordance with the example approved by Rally committee and reglamenting the pursuance of LARC event / competition by the organiser of LARC event / competition.
- **Claimant** a juridical person who participates in LARC and has a Competitor's license (LASK 108, art. 110) rendered by LASF or other ASF.
- Claimant's representative a person(s), noted in the claimant's licence, who is delegated to represent the interests of claimant and claimant's sportsmen in LARC event;
- Rally committee part of LASF which administers the work of Rally sport branch;
- **Rally competition** Lithuanian automobile rally championship held by people accredited by LASF, cup competition or other competition which has a special status
- **Regulations** Lithuanian automobile rally championship regulations approved by rally committee of Lithuanian automobile sport federation;
- **Restart** a new start, additionally given under certain circumstances.
- **BSC** –Board of Sports Commissioners. Sports commissioners have the highest sports authority, the main task of which is to impel to administer the requirements of LASF regulations, rules, supplementary regulations and also the programme of LASF events.
- T-2012 Regulations of Lithuanian automobile rally of LASF of 2012;
- **Technical requirements** requirements for cars defined by FIA, LASF or appropriate ASF regulations, including safety requirements which have to be conformed by cars which participate in LARC event:
- **Referees Committee** part of LASF which administers the work of referees in automobile sport competition.

- Article marked by numbers of the main text;
- **Section** marked by numbers (1.1., 1.2. ... etc.);
- **Subsections** marked by letters (a,b,c,...etc.);

GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. Lithuanian Automobile Sport Federation (LASF), following The Physical Culture and Sport law of the Republic of Lithuania and LASF regulations, organises open multi-event Lithuanian automobile rally championship 2012 (LARC).
- **2.** LARC competition are holded following FIA TSK, LASK, GPPLASOC, T–2012, FIA and LASF automobile technical regulations, these regulations and supplementary regulations of LARC separate events; in case of differences between LASK and FIA TSK it is followed by appropriate LASK articles.
- **3.** LASF rally committee, within its competence, administrates Lithuanian automobile rally, enacts, supplements, changes and explains the documents which regulate the running of the competition.
- **4.** LARC event(s), under the decision of Rally committee, can be holded in foreign countries. The running conditions of the event(s) in other country, in consideration of LARC regulations, are coordinated in advance with LASF and ASF of the country, where the competition takes place. The peculiarities of LARC events in foreign countries are indicated in the supplementary regulations of that competition.

LARC EVENTS

5. LARC consists of LARC events which are included into the LASF sport competition and event calendar.

There are planned \underline{six} events in LARC of 2012:

Event	Place	Date	Organiser
1	Utena	2012 01 28	UAB Pitlane
2	Rietavas	2012 02 18-19	Šiaulių ASK Slikas
3	Vilnius	2012 05 25-26	Lithuanian automobile club
4 5	Šiauliai Zarasai	2012 06 16-17 2012 08 17-18	Šiaulių ASK Slikas VšĮ Automotoprojektai
6	Druskininkai	2012 09 15	VšĮ ASK AJAGS

The precise title, place and organiser of the event is published on LASF website <u>www.lasf.lt</u>. LASF has the right to change the calendar.

ENTRANTS. ENTRY INTO LARC

- **6.** All participants (first and second drivers), holding valid driving license and the Competitor's license issued by the LASF or other parental ASN (valid in this event) may take part in the LARC. Participant younger than 18 years is able to take part in the LRC event only by individual LASF rally committee decision.
- 7. All pepople who want to participate in LARC must submit "Entry form of the Championship" (only the participants of the first drivers classification fill) to the LASF secretariat (Appendix No.2) and the bearer of LARC entrant has to pay an entry fee of LARC to LASF (these funds are budgeted for the organisation of LARC closing celebration).
- **8.** "Entry forms of the Championship" are not admitted when less than two events remain till the end of the championship.
- **9.** An entrant who changes group or class in the course of LARC, must submit a new "Entry form of the Championship" to LASF.
- 10. An official list of entrants is published on LASF website www.lasf.lt.

11. A claimant who wants to participate in "Team Classification", must submit "Team Application" to the secretariat of LARC event till the first meeting of BSC and must pay a team fee to Organiser. The maximum number of crews in "Team Application" can not be greater than 4 (four).

ELIGIBLE CARS. CATEGORIES. STARTING NUMBERS. ADVERTISING

- **12.** The eligible vehicles for 2011 LARC competition shall be the cars belonging to international FIA groups "N", "A", "R" as well as national groups "L" and "S".
- **13.** Requirements for cars:
 - **Group N** vehicles, which comply with Group N homologation, which is valid or ended not more than 4 years ago, and which comply with the requirements of 251, 252, 253, 254 articles of 2012 FIA J appendixes.
- **Group A** (**Kit Variant**), vehicles, which comply with Group A valid or ended homologation, and which comply with the requirements of 251, 252, 253, 255 articles of 2012 FIA J appendixes.
- **Group R** vehicles, which comply with the technical requirements of 260, 260D articles of 2012 FIA J appendixes.
- The requirements of 255 article of 2012 FIA J appendix **are not applied to A8 (WRC) class**. It complies with the technical requirements of group "L".
- **Super 2000** cars, which comply with the technical requirements of 254A article of 2012 FIA J appendix.
- **Super 2000/WRC** cars, which comply with the technical requirements of 255A article of 2012 FIA J appendix.
- **Super 1600** cars, which comply with the technical requirements of 255 article of 2012 FIA J appendix.
- **Group L** (national) cars, which comply with the national technical requirements of 2012 LASF group L.
- **Group SG** (national) cars, which comply with the national technical requirements of 2012 LASF group S.
- 14. The cars of groups N, A, R, L, S are divided into classes:

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N	(N1)	up to 1400 cm ³ ,
	(N2)	over $1400 \text{ up to } 1600 \text{ cm}^3$,
	(N3)	over 1600 up to 2000 cm ³ ,
	(N4)	over 2000 up to 3500 cm ³ ,
\mathbf{A}	(A5)	up to 1400 cm ³ ,
	(A6)	over 1400 up to 1600 cm ³ ,
	(A7)	over 1600 up to 2000 cm ³ ,
	(A8 (WRC))	over 2000 up to 3500 cm ³ ,
R	(R1A)	up to 1400 cm^3 ,
	(R1B)	over 1400 up to 1600 cm ³ ,
	(R2B)	over $1400 \text{ up to } 1600 \text{ cm}^3$,
	(R2C)	over 1600 up to 2000 cm ³ ,
	(R3C)	over 1600 up to 2000 cm ³ ,
	(R3T)	up to 1600 cm ³ ,
	(R3D)	up to 2000 cm ³ ,
	(R4)	over $2000 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ up to } 3500 \text{ cm}^3$
${f L}$	(L7)	up to 2000 cm ³ ,
	(L8)	over 2000 up to $3500* \text{ cm}^3$,
	(L9)	over 2000 up to 3500 cm ³ (one driving
		axle)
SG	(SG)	up to 2000 cm ³ ,

^{*} An exception is made for Audi models with 5 cylinder engines 2226cm³

- **15.** All entrants must have a technical passport of sports car, issued by LASF or other ASF.
- **16.** In 2012 the use of HANS system is mandatory, but for particapants in group "SG" it is recommended.
- **17.** In 2012 LARC it is allowed to start for drivers whose validity of homologation of equipment, seats and safety belts is valid or ends later than 2009 12 31. The use of E85 fuel is also allowed.
- **18.** Start numbers, drivers' surnames, an advertisement of organiser of LASF and LARC event must comply with the requirements, noted in Appendix No. 1 (Deployment of start numbers and advertising texts), and they must be stuck on the car as noted in the mentioned schema.
- **19.** An advertisement of organiser of LASF and LARC event, presented in Appendix No. 1, is mandatory. Any other advertisement, offered by organiser, is not mandatory.

CLASSIFICATION OF LARČ AND LARČ EVENTS

20. The classifications are kept in LARC and LARC events:

20.1. Personal classification

Joint classification	Groups, classes
	S2000-Rally: 1.6 turbo engines
	S2000 –Rally: 2.0 atmospheric engines
1	R4
	A8 (WRC)
	L8
2	N4
	A7
3	Super 1600
	R2C, R3C, R3T, R3D
	R1A, R1B
4	R2B
	Kit-car over 1400cc up to 1600cc
	Kit-car up to 1400cc
	A5, A6
	N1, N2, N3
5	L9
6	L7
7	SG

- **20.2.** *Team classification.* This classification is counted for the teams which has submitted a "Team Application" of LARC event
- **20.3** *Other classifications* . If LARC event takes place together with other Rally competition. Other classifications (eg. "I" historic vehicles), which are noted in supplementary regulations of LARC events, can also be counted in this competition. It is allowed to participate in this competition with vehicles which comply with the requirements of supplementary regulations of the competition.

POINTS IN LARC AND LARC EVENTS

21.Points in LARC event:

21.1. *In the classifications "Joint classification I drivers" and "Joint classification II drivers"*, when 5 (five) or more crews participate in "Joint classification", the points are calculated as follows:

21.2. In the classifications "Joint classification for I drivers" and "Joint classification for II drivers", when less than 5 (five) crews participate in "Joint classification", the points are calculated as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{1}^{\text{st}} & \textbf{place} - 6 \text{ points} \\ \textbf{2}^{\text{nd}} & \textbf{place} - 5 \text{ points} \\ \textbf{3}^{\text{rd}} & \textbf{place} - 4 \text{ points} \\ \textbf{4}^{\text{th}} & \textbf{place} - 3,5 \text{ points} \end{array}$$

21.3. 0,5 point is added for "Joint classification I drivers" and "Joint classification II drivers" who win the last special stage.

22. The calculation of points at the end of LARC:

22.1. In the classifications "Joint classification I drivers" and "Joint classification II drivers" at the end

of LARC the points are calculated according to the formula: $T = \sum_{i=1}^{n} R_i - R_b$

as:

T - final amount of points;

n - a number of LARC events;

R_i - points gained in the event;

R_b - points gained in the event which was the worst for the entrant.

 $R_b = MIN(R_1, R_2, ..., R_n)$, if entrant gained points in **all** LARC events;

 $R_b = 0$, if entrant has not gained points in **any** event, i.e. if entrant has not participated in the event or has not finished it.

If entrant is eleminated from the event by BSC decision due to inappropriate behaviour or fraud, the points which are not gained are not calculated as R_b =0, i.e. R_b is calculated according to the formula $R_b = MIN(R_1,R_2,...,R_{n-1})$.

LARC is considered to have occurred in the "Joint classification" if more than 4 crews participated in not less than three LARC events. Entrants, participating in classifications "Joint classification for I drivers" and "Joint classification for II drivers", are classified for LARC if they participate in not less than three events.

- 23. Team classifications are divided into Event team classification and LARC team classification.
- 24. The calculation of points of Event team classification.
- **24.1.** Event team classification is counted according to amount of team points gained by crews.
- **24.2.** The calculation of amount of Team points:
 - a) The points of **three** crews (of four crews which are present in "Team application"), which receive the most points in the event in "Joint classifications", are calculated;
 - **b)** Only **two** of the crews can be the entrants of the 1st and 2nd "Joint classifications". If there are **more than two** crews of 1st and 2nd "Joint classifications" in "Team application", the amount of points of **two** crews (participating in "Joint classifications"), which get the highest amount of points in the event, is calculated. In this case, if there is a crew which is present in "Team application" and participate in any other class, the points gained by this crew are added to the sum of **team points**;

- **c**) The points of the 1st and 2nd "Joint classifications" participants of LARC event are multiplied by 1.2 in Team classification.
- **24.3.** The position of the team in LARC event is estimated according to the highest amount of "Team points". If teams collect the same amount of points in LARC event, the higher place is given to the team, the crew of which has won more higher places in "Joint classification for I drivers".
- **24.4.** The team gains **points of team classification of LARC event** according to the position in LARC event according to the table in 19.1 point.
- 25. The estimation of team position in LARC.
- **25.1.** The final team position in LARC is estimated according to the highest amount of points of team classifications of all events. The position of teams, which receive the same amount of points, are estimated according to the position taken in "Event team classification" in the last LARC event. The positions of teams, which receive the same amount of points in LARC team classification and did not participate in the last LARC event, are estimated according to taken positions (first, second, third place etc.) in particular LARC events.

RUNNING OF LARČ EVENTS

- **26.** LARC event is regulated by the organiser approved by Rally committee according to the conditions set by Rally committee.
- **27.** The recommended overall length of special stages (SS) of LARC event is not less than 100 km and not more than 130 km. SS can not fully or partly repeat more than two times.
- **28.** Each LARC event is held according to the supplementary regulations approved by organiser and agreed with Rally, Referees committees and LASF general secretary. Supplementary regulations should be agreed not later than 4 (four) weeks till the beginning of LARC event. Agreed supplementary regulations are published on LASF and organiser's websites.
- **29.** Seeking for a honest sport contest LASF Rally committee and organiser publishes the local zones or map of roads, which are prohibited to visit, not later than 4 (four) weeks till the beginning of LARC events.
- **30.** The restart in the next or final round of the rally for entrants, who retired from LARC event not later than in the next-to-last round after the accident or technical problems of the car, is possible only after following conditions:
- for every uncompleted special stage in each round a crew gets a 5 min. penalty, which is added to the best time of the entrant of that class. If an entrant is alone in his/her class, the penalty is added to the best time of the lower class;
 - if entrant retires in the section after the last SS finish of the round (except the last round) and finish of the round, 5 min penalty is given;
- in all cases, if entrant retires from the competition after the accident or technical problems of car, but he/she wants to continue competition, he/she must get a permission of head physician and technical commision chairman of LARC events.
- a wish to continue competition must be declared by the application (appendix No. 3) set by Rally committee and addressed to BSC through the referee, which is responsible for relations with entrants, till the date and time noted in the Supplementary regulations.

ENTRY INTO EVENT. ENTRY FEES

31. Persons, who want to participate in LARC event, must submit a fully filled "Entry form of the LARC event" to an organizer. If an application is submitted by fax or e-mail, an organizer or Rally committee has a right to ask for an original application before including a claimant into the entrant list. In any case an original application must be submitted to the administrative commission. An entrant can consider himself as correctly submitted an application only when he/she receives a comfirmation about the acceptance of the application from the organiser by fax or e-mail. The submission of applications

end when 12 days remain till the beginning of LARC event. In particular cases, the period of acceptance of applications can be extended if it is agreed with LASF Rally Committee.

- **32.** In every LARC event an entry fee of the crew, indicated in supplementary regulations of Rally competition of LARC event, paid to organiser in time, can not be higher than:
 - 1, 2 Joint classifications 1500,-Lt with VAT;
 - 3, 4, 5, 6 Joint classifications 1200,-Lt with VAT;
 - 7 Joint classification 800,-Lt su PVM;
- 33. In each LARC event the entry fee for the team 250 Lt. with VAT.
- **34.** When local zones or map of roads, which are strictly prohibited to visit, are published on LASF website, the entrants, who participate and who are going to participate in 2012 LARC, are strictly prohibited to be in forbidden roads or local zones. The offenders committed in forbidden places will be eliminated from LARC under the decision of persons officially assigned by LASF or organiser of rally.

INSURANCE

- **35.** All cars participating in LARC must hold a Compulsory Motor TPL insurance valid in the Republic of Lithuania.
- **36.** An entrant's (who drives in the special stages) civil liability, covering the damage (which is a resulf of an accident) for person and (or) property, is assured by an Organiser.

PROTESTS. APPEALS

- **37.** A claimant or his/her representative has a right to submit a protest. The submission order of the protests is regulated by LASC.
- **38.** A protest must be filed together with the deposit of 500 Lt. It is returned if protest is upheld.
- **39.** If the detailed inspection of units of the vehicle is necessary, according to the protest, the commission of the representative of the party, which has submitted a protest, the representative of the crew, against which a protest is lodged, and the representative of BSC of Rally competition of LARC event is formed.
- **40.** A protester also must pay these fees:
- 200 Lt, in order to check bodywork, steering system, braking system, reduction gear, cardan-shaft;
- 1000 Lt in order to check the conformity of the engine, when engine is dismounted incompletely (crankshaft is not separated from cylinder block head) for cars, participating in N4, "Open" classes.
- 500 Lt in order to check the conformity of the engine, when engine is dismounted incompletely (crankshaft is not separated from cylinder block head) for cars, participating previously not mentioned classes.
- 4000 Lt, in order to dismount an engine head, engine block, stroke, crankshaft, cylinder diameter, oil pump for cars, participating in N4, "Open" classes;
- 2000 Lt, in order to dismount an engine head, engine block, stroke, crankshaft, cylinder diameter, oil pump for cars, participating in classes, not mentioned previously.
- In all cases Sports Commissioners can require an additional deposit (set by BSC), which ensure the expenses for the reconstruction of the car.
- If a protest is not satisfied, a protester must cover all the expenses for the reconstruction of the car.
- **41.** If BSC does not satisfy a protest, a protester can submit an appeal together with the fee set by LASF Board. A submission of an appeal is regulated by LASC.

AWARDS

42. At the end of LARC event:

- **42.1.** $1^{st} 3^{rd}$ places winners of the classifications "Joint classifications for I drivers" and "Joint classifications for II drivers" will be awarded LASF diplomas, as well as cups and prizes if they are established by the Organiser.
- **42.2.** The teams placed I-III in LARC team classification will be awarded cups established by the Organiser and LASF diplomas.

- **43.** Other awards are noted in Rally competition supplementary regulations of LARC events.
- 44. At the end of LARC:
- **44.1** 1st 3rd places winners of the classifications "**Joint classifications for I drivers**" and "**Joint classifications for II drivers**" will be awarded LASF medals, cups, diplomas, as well as monetary prizes if they are established. 1st places winners will be awarded *Automobile Rally Champion title of the Republic of Lithuania*.
- **44.2.** The teams, which win $1^{st} 3^{rd}$ places ir LARC Team classification, will be awarded LASF cups and diplomas. 1^{st} places winner will be awarded *Automobile Rally Team Champion title of the Republic of Lithuania*.

CHANGES. UNEXPECTED CASES

- **45.** The enactment, supplement, change and explanation of regulations are regulated by LASC and General pursuance provisions of Lithuanian automobile sport oficial competitions.
- **46.** Unexpected cases in Regulations and T-2012 are solved by LASF Rally committee.

LARC Regulations consist of 10 pages.

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