

# "Baltic cup 2014" (Dryland) regulations

## **"Baltic cup 2014" organizers:**

Latvian Federation of Sleddog Sports [www.sleddog.lv](http://www.sleddog.lv) (representative organizer for 2014)

Lithuanian Federation of Sleddog Sports [www.mushing.lt](http://www.mushing.lt)

Sleddogs Club Baltosport <http://baltosport.ee>

St.Petersburg Federation of Sleddog Sports [www.spb-sfes.ru](http://www.spb-sfes.ru)

Official web site: Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Baltic-Cup/140990712589657> and [www.balticcup.net](http://www.balticcup.net)

## **1.Goal and tasks; categories and classes:**

1.1. "Baltic Cup 2014" is held under IFSS race standards, seeking to popularize sleddog sport and find out the best dryland athletes in Baltic region.

1.2.Race categories for competition:

DR6	DR4	DS2	DS1	DBM	DBW	DCM	DCW
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Each class is opened if at least 5 mushers have entered. (3 for DR4 and DR6). If less than 5 (3), season points are awarded, but the awards may not be awarded (except diplomas)

1.3. Open class – all participating athletes that are not registered for FCI Nordic class; FCI Nordic class – participants racing with northern FCI pedigree breed dogs (other breeds are to be approved by Baltic cup organizers)

1.4. Nordic class shall be opened only if there are at least 5 such entries in one category (if there are less, it is up to the organizer to decide to award Nordics separately or not).

1.5. Open and Nordic classes are to be awarded separately if 1.4. is fulfilled.

1.6. Organizers also award separately (at events) veterans and juniors according to IFSS rules, if there are at least 5 in the same category. Otherwise they are included in Adult category and it is up to the organizer to decide to award them separately or not.

1.7. It is the option of the race organizer if there is more than 3 participants in any class, to divided them into groups (for example Siberian husky group or Beagle group (for one category)).

## **2. Place, time, number of events**

2.1. Series consist of events held in Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Russia:

I event - Russia – 07-08.06.2014

II event - Estonia – 04-05.10.2014

III event - Lithuania – 18-19.10.2014

IV event - Latvia - 01-02.11.2014

2.2. Each federation [club] which wants to hold the 2015 Baltic Cup event should inform in writing the main organizer till 20.10.2015.

### **3. Organization**

3.1. Each country organizes its race, according to these regulations and by the International Federation of Sleddog Sports race rules (IFSS) - [www.sleddogsports.net](http://www.sleddogsports.net).

3.2. Organizer of each event can amend the race regulation if needed according to its needs by local laws.

### **4. Competitors**

4.1. Anyone can take part in the competition from any country who is eligible to IFSS race rules and these regulations. If one participant enters twice the same class, he has to nominate before start which will be the points scoring entry (only one).

### **5. Applications**

5.1. Organizers allow competitors to pre-register via email at least 1 month before the race.

5.2. Registration forms should be available in local language and at least in English.

5.3. By sending the race application, the competitor guarantees to pay the listed entry fee even in case of not attending the race.

5.4. Competitor due to objective reasons, (personal illness, dog diseases, etc.) has the right to cancel his/her registration no later than 7 days before the race start only if they are confirmed also by national federation. Other (extra) cases can be decided by organizer of the specific race event (for example: If no entry visa is given to enter the race holding country).

### **6. Safety**

6.1. Competitors are responsible for the condition of their own health (and dogs) and carry the responsibility to follow race rules and regulations of the event, by signing the application form. Persons who are younger than 18 years of age application is to be signed by at least one of their parents or a guardian. Organizers of the event are responsible against participants according to local law. It will be allowed for DR6 class to be run by 3 or 4-wheel carts.

### **7. Entry fee**

7.1. Entry fee first price shall be max 30 EUR (min 1 week)

7.1.1. Junior (according to IFSS race rules) and kids = max 15 EUR (first price)

7.1.2. At least 50% discount is applied for 2nd and next category one racer applies to enter.

7.2. The organizer of the event saves 3 EUR from each application (adult) that is to be spent at the end of the season and or for different expenses regarding international race status:

- a) Cups, medals, diplomas, prize money;
- b) other decided by the organizers

## **8. Point scoring**

### 8.1. Table of individual classes for Baltic cup 2014

Winners total time (h:mm:ss:00 = X) of the class and category is to be as a benchmark for rest and will be valued with 1000 points. Each next place finisher will divide the winners time with his/hers result and multiply it by 1000 (rounded up to nearest full point). All participants who finish the race will get points.

Example:

1st place = 00:20:00.00 (twenty minutes, 00 seconds) = 1000 points

2nd place = 00:21:00.00 = (20min/21min)\*1000 = 0.95238\*1000 = 952,38 = 952 points

8.2. Points are calculated according to an occupied position in its class.

8.3. Junior and Veteran points are calculated from the Adult class (Overall) results, and they are listed in overall results table, but marked as veterans or juniors. Separate ranking for Juniors and Veterans is to be kept in results tables. At the end of the season, awards are given out by overall classification (adults+juniors+veterans). If there are 5 or more juniors or veterans classified in season standings, then they are awarded also separately.

### **Season points:**

8.4. Three out of four best results will be counted for season ending standings. To qualify for final standings the racer must have started at least 3 events.

8.5. In case of even points in the standings, a tie breaker of such criteria is in force (till the first decides the winner):

a) count of most higher places (1st places to 1st places, than the next place)

b) best sum of total time of commonly attended races

## **9. Nations Cup**

9.1. The nation with the largest gold medal (first place) count for season overall standings shall win. In case of tie, silver medals shall be counted, followed by bronze etc.

## **10. Anti- doping**

10.1. Participants are to follow the IFSS anti-doping rules and local authority rules.

10.2. Participant is to be excluded from Baltic cup if he refuses to take the test, or does not provide its dogs for tests.

## **11. Changes**

11.1. Changes in the race regulations can be made only via negotiations by Baltic cup organizers.