



Grand 4x4 Winter Sprint 2017 competition regulations

1. DEFINITION AND ORGANISER OF COMPETITION

- 1.1. The off-road orienteering competition “GRAND 4x4 WINTER SPRINT 2017” will be organised by OÜ SIILI SÜDA on 10-12 February 2017 pursuant to the 4x4 sporting regulations and Estonian 4x4 off-road cup competition regulations of the Estonian Autosport Union, these regulations, and the bulletins serving as a part hereof.
- 1.2. The competition has been registered in the Estonian Autosport Union, no. 15/OR.
- 1.3. The official information channels of the competition are the websites <http://eal.4x4.ee> and <http://forum.4x4.ee> as well as any publications on the information board in the racing centre and/or explanations provided during briefings.
- 1.4. Telephone number of the racing centre: +37253515555
- 1.5. Competition officials:

Race Manager:	Rasmus Himma
Chief Judge:	Tormi Tamm
Track Manager:	Priit Piirsalu
Timer:	Arto Künnapas
Chair of Technical Committee:	Anto Raudväli

The composition of the panel of judges will be published in a bulletin.

2. GENERAL DEFINITION

- 2.1. “Grand 4x4 WINTER SPRINT 2017” is the first stage of Estonian 4x4 Off-Road cup competition of the Estonian Autosport Union in competitive classes TR-1, TR-3, ATV, OPEN and OPEN+.
- 2.2. “Grand 4x4 WINTER SPRINT 2017” is the first stage of LATVIJAS TROFI-REIDU ATKLĀTĀ ČEMPIONĀTA 2017.

3. GENERAL TRACK DESCRIPTION

- 3.1. The competition will be held in Kose municipality, Harju County.
- 3.2. The racing centre is situated in Kose municipality, Harju County, in Paunküla Well-Being Centre located at 59°06'51.9”, 25°22'52.9”.
- 3.3. The competition consists of a prologue stage and fourteen (14) trials of which eleven are speed-based and three are orienteering-based.
- 3.4. The competition area is open for public traffic except for the marked areas.
- 3.5. The escort cars of the teams are only allowed to travel on roads meant for public use. Driving to division lines between forest compartments and parking there is forbidden.

4. CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION

- 4.1. Documents required from the members of a team:
- 4.2. Competitive classes TR-1; OPEN, OPEN+, TR-3 and ATV, pursuant to clause 4.7 of the general regulations of the Estonian 4x4 off-road cup competition 2017 of the Estonian Autosport Union.
- 4.3. All competitive classes – a copy of the payment order verifying the payment of the participation fee (internet bank printout).
- 4.4. Competitive class ATV does not need a vehicle registration certificate, but upon the absence of a certificate, the vehicles are prohibited from driving on public roads and any crossings must be made on a trailer.
- 4.5. The cars and ATVs in the competition may be equipped with navigation equipment.



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- 4.6. The teams must be equipped with a digital camera and the team must ensure that it is possible to load the images from the camera to the judges' computer – i.e. provide the judges with the required cables and programs that allow working with the camera in commonly used operating systems. The times and dates recorded by the cameras must be synchronised with the official clock of the competition as provided in the administrative check-up. The times recorded by the cameras will also be inspected in the course of the technical inspection. Any images on the memory card of the digital camera must be **REMOVED** before the start of the competition! The recommended resolution for making the competition images is 1600x1200, ~500 KB.
- 4.7. During technical inspection, a positioning device (track logger) will be attached to every competing vehicle (one of the vehicles of a team in class ATV), indicating the location and speed of the team and the SI-Card.
- 4.8. The pilots of all teams must verify with their signature that they will comply with all the rules of the competition and refrain from damaging the environment, and they have examined and understood everything set out in the regulations of the competition. The pilot (the competitor who provides a signature concerning compliance with the restrictions and requirements provided in this clause) will be liable for any violation of rules or non-compliance with requirements arising from the behaviour of the members of the team.
- 4.9. Any damage caused to third parties or other competitors during the competition will be compensated by the team that caused the damage.
- 4.10. All members of the team must have a helmet as helmets are mandatory in speed-based trials. Using the helmet is recommended on the rest of the track.
- 4.11. The maximum permitted speed is limited for the competing vehicles throughout the entire competition to 70 km/h. This clause also applies to trailers that are transporting ATVs.
- 4.12. Clause 4.11 of the regulations will not apply in the course of some speed-based trials. Detailed information will be disclosed during the administrative check-up.
- 4.13. All competitors are staying on the track at their own responsibility.
- 4.14. The organiser of the competition and the Estonian Autosport Union will not be liable for any proprietary or moral damage caused by a team to themselves or to third parties.
- 4.15. Advertising and competition numbers
- 4.16. The organiser does not issue competition numbers. The competition number will be assigned to the team by the subcommittee of the Estonian Autosport Union and produced by the team themselves. For more information, please refer to <http://eal.4x4.ee/>.
- 4.17. The advertising of the organiser, competition numbers and the logo of the competition must be installed on the competing vehicle before arrival at technical committee and remain on the vehicle until the end of the competition. If the structural characteristics of the competing vehicle do not allow for following the aforesaid scheme, the Chair of Technical Committee of the competition must be addressed. Any unauthorised redesign (cutting, etc.) of the advertising provided by the organiser will be considered to constitute a violation under this clause.

5. COMPETING VEHICLES AND TEAM COMPOSITION

- 5.1. Competing vehicles pursuant to the 4x4 subcommittee of the Estonian Autosport Union:
- 5.2. Sports class TR-1
- 5.3. Sports class OPEN
- 5.4. Sports class OPEN+
- 5.5. Sports class TR-3
- 5.6. Sports class ATV
- 5.7. Team composition
- 5.8. In competition classes TR-1 and OPEN, the maximum number of team members is restricted by the number of seats equipped with 3-point seatbelts.
- 5.9. In competition classes TR-3 and OPEN+, the maximum number of members per team is three (3).



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6. REGISTRATION AND PARTICIPATION FEE

- 6.1. Registering for the competition takes place online at eal.4x4.ee and on-site in the racing centre.
- 6.2. Participation fee
- 6.3. Competition classes TR-1, TR-3, OPEN, OPEN+ €165
- 6.4. Competition class ATV €125
- 6.5. A team that has submitted a correctly filled-in registration form and paid the participation fee and nature conservation deposit by the correct deadlines pursuant to the registration terms and conditions is considered to be registered.
- 6.6. The participation fee will be paid in cash in the racing centre or to the bank account of the organiser: OÜ SIILI SÜDA, registry code 10283826, registered office Seedermänni tee 24, Laiaküla village, Viimsi municipality, Harju County, Swedbank EE892200001120202509, telephone 5179866. NB! Indicate the name of your team and competition class in the payment description. When making the payment, make sure that it is received by the correct deadline and by the correct recipient and preserve a copy of the payment order. If you wish to receive an invoice for your company, please dial 5179866 or send an e-mail to tormi@landeker.ee.
- 6.7. The abovementioned fees apply to competitors who agree to display the advertising of the organiser on the competing vehicle. If the participant refuses to display the advertising of the organiser by indicating it in the participation application, the abovementioned fees are doubled. Advertisements related to the competition logo and competition number cannot be refused.
- 6.8. Teams that fail to turn up are not refunded the competition fee.
- 6.9. The deposit fee in competition classes TR-1, OPEN, OPEN+ and TR-3 is €165, which includes the tracking chip deposit of €65 and a nature conversation deposit of €100. In the competition class ATV, the deposit is €125, which includes the tracking chip deposit of €65 and a nature conversation deposit of €50. The deposit will be paid to the bank account of the organiser, OÜ SIILI SÜDA, no. EE892200001120202509 in Swedbank, with a separate payment order and the explanation "Team Name" or in cash at the administrative check-up on 10.02.2017 until 6:30 pm. In the absence of any complaints, the deposit will be refunded to the team within three days at the latest as of 13.02.2017.
- 6.10. The nature conversation deposit will not be refunded in the racing centre!

7. PROGRAMME OF COMPETITION

- 7.1. 20.01.2017 – the competition regulations are published and the registration of competitors commences at the address <http://eal.4x4.ee/>
- 7.2. 09.02.2017 at 11:59 pm – the registration of competitors in the internet ends
- 7.3. 10.02.2017 from 3 pm to 6:30 pm – administrative check-up and technical inspection
- 7.4. 10.02.2017 at 8 pm – opening of the competition and briefing of competitors
- 7.5. 10.02.2017 at 9 pm – start of the prologue stage
- 7.6. 11.02.2017 at 9 am – start of the competition
- 7.7. The expected time limit of the competition is ten hours and 0 minutes.
- 7.8. 12.02.2017 at 8 am – the initial results of the competition are published
- 7.9. 12.02.2017 at 10 am – official end of the competition and award ceremony

8. COURSE OF COMPETITION

- 8.1. Teams that have passed the administrative check-up and technical inspection are allowed to start the competition.
- 8.2. The starting line-up for the prologue stage will be by order of passing the administrative check-up with one-minute intervals. There is no class starting sequence.
- 8.3. Teams start the competition from a single standing start with two-minute intervals. The starting line-up is based on the results of the prologue. Prologue not undergone added to the end of the starting line-up by order of passing the administrative check-up. There is no class starting sequence.



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- 8.4. All teams will receive a competition legend on paper that they are obliged to observe. The coordinates of the checkpoints will not be shared electronically. During the administrative check-up, the competitors must download the tracks required for the competition into their GPS device.
- 8.5. After finishing, the teams are obliged to provide the inspection images, a positioning device (track logger) and the SI-Card within 60 minutes.
- 8.6. A team that is late for the start will be given permission to go on track as the last team in the starting line-up.

9. RESULTS

- 9.1. All domestic and foreign teams that have received a final result in the competition will receive points in the competition classes TR-1, TR-3, OPEN, OPEN+ and ATV in the Estonian 4x4 off-road cup competition.
- 9.2. The final result of the competition “Grand 4x4 Winter Sprint 2017” will be calculated for the classes ATV, TR-1, OPEN, OPEN+ and TR-3.
- 9.3. Every team will receive points of the stage in their competition class according to the standing they achieved on the basis of the table of standings of the 4x4 subcommittee of the Estonian Autosport Union. The result will be multiplied with the effort coefficient of the stage.
- 9.4. The final result of the competition by competition classes will be received by adding points of the stage of the teams. The teams that finished more stages will be better ranked than those that finished fewer stages. The winner will be the team that completed the most stages and whose number of points is the highest. If the number of points is equal, the team that achieved the best result in the fifth stage will be ranked first.
- 9.5. In order to receive a final result in the “Grand 4x4 Winter Spring 2017”, a team must pass at least five stages. Passing the entire stage within the time limit with the competing vehicle will constitute passing a speed-based stage. Starting for the stage, passing at least a third of the checkpoints of the stage and finishing the stage within the time limit will constitute passing an orienteering-based stage.
- 9.6. If the attachment rope or seal of the tracking chip are damaged, the judges must be immediately addressed who will reseal the chip. Any information that has been recorded on the chip up to that moment will be deleted.
- 9.7. A judge or a member of the team at the approval of the judge will remove the tracking chip.
- 9.8. The tracking chip must be handed over within 60 minutes as of finishing the last stage. Only fellow competitors may provide assistance to competitors during the stages! Assistance provided by teams that have finished or retired will be prohibited as illegal assistance.

10. NATURE CONSERVATION

- 10.1. The main prerequisite for participating in the competition is a good attitude towards the environment.
- 10.2. Winching by using a tree as the anchorage point will only be permitted with an anchor strap.
- 10.3. Polluting the environment with non-natural fluids (fuel, oil, etc.) is prohibited.
- 10.4. When moving outside, it must be observed that no damage is caused to trees. It is prohibited to fell or break trees that are alive and growing, except if they are posing an immediate hazard to the life or health of other team members; in this case, the organisers must be notified immediately. The team that caused the damage directly or indirectly will later compensate any caused damage.
- 10.5. Using chainsaws is prohibited.
- 10.6. Winching from utility poles and checkpoint markers is prohibited.

11. COMPLAINTS

- 11.1. Complaints and specifications may be filed within 60 minutes as of the announcement of the initial results of the competition in writing to the Chief Judge of the competition.



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- 11.2. Any complaints filed against other participants have a fee. The complaint fee is 200 euros, which must be paid when filing the complaint.
- 11.3. The complaint fee will only be refunded if the complaint is resolved for the benefit of the person submitting the complaint.

12. NOTICES AND MISCELLANEOUS

- 12.1. Competitors will be informed of any possible changes in the track legend or the course of the competition immediately before the start or, when on the track, by using the telephone numbers submitted by the team in the registration form or verbally by the track judge.
- 12.2. Official notices and changes in the competition regulations will be reflected on the information board in the form of bulletins, plus any other explanations provided during the competitors' briefing. All orders and explanations given in the competitor's briefing will constitute official information of the competition. Upon any potential discrepancies between the briefing and the regulations, the information communicated in the briefing will take precedence. At the briefing communicated important information is recorded on the information board in the form of bulletins.
- 12.3. If competitors see damaged barrier tape or any damage to the environment on the track, they must immediately inform the Chief Judge of the competition thereof or be considered as the guilty party should they fail to do so.
- 12.4. The removal of any vehicles that have become hopelessly stuck on the track or are not moving due to technical reasons will be guaranteed by the organiser within 24 hours after the end of the competition at the expense of the team.
- 12.5. The organiser reserves the right to make changes in the time and place, schedule and course of the competition with good reason.
- 12.6. The organiser is entitled to remove competitors who fail to comply with these regulations or are intoxicated or engaged in unsportsmanlike and impolite behaviour from the competition and annul their results.
- 12.7. Any and all facts and issues not set out in these regulations will be resolved by the panel of judges or the race manager.
- 12.8. The briefing will be obligatory for all participants.

13. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

- 13.1. Ending the competition and awarding the winners will take place in the racing centre on 12.02.2017 at 10:00 am.
- 13.2. The best three teams in every class will be awarded a cup.
- 13.3. The persons receiving the awards are obligated to participate in the ceremony. Should they be absent, they will lose their right to the prizes.
- 13.4. Additional prizes may be offered for the competition.