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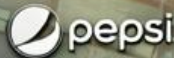
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BALTIC DRIFT
CHAMPIONSHIP



DRIFTA KOMISIJA



This driver information booklet contains all the information you and your team need to know about this event.

- ☆ **LATVIA DRIFT CHAMPIONSHIP PRO2 CLASS 1st STAGE**
- ☆ **LATVIA DRIFT CHAMPIONSHIP STREET CLASS 1st STAGE**
- ☆ **LIVONIA/LATVIA/ESTONIA DRIFT CHAMPIONSHIP 2nd STAGE**
- ☆ **BALTIC DRIFT CHAMPIONSHIP PRO2 CLASS 2nd STAGE**
- ☆ **LITHUANIA DRIFT CHAMPIONSHIP PRO CLASS 1st STAGE**

ALL CHAMPIONSHIPS AND CUPS ARE OPEN TO DRIVERS FROM ANY COUNTRY!

Dear drivers,

We would like to invite you to the opening of the Latvian Drift Season 2026.

Get ready for two exciting days full of drifting, featuring Street, PRO2, and PRO classes. The event will take place on two tracks simultaneously in the central area of the Bikernieki circuit.

We look forward to welcoming each of you to Bikernieki.

See you on the track!



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Latvia DRIFT GRAND OPENING

DRIVER REGISTRATION IS OPEN

BIKERNIEKU TRASE RIGA

Register on our website:
www.driftlatvia.com

Should you have a question about anything either contained in this document or feel there is something not included in this booklet that should be and that you have a question about, please contact, Eline Berķe Bluša by email at eline@driftlatvia.com

DRIVER INFORMATION V1

LATVIA DRIFT GRAND OPENING | EVENT 1 | LATVIA | BIKERNIEKI SPORT COMPLEX
SCHEDULE

SCHEDULE V1 16.-17.05.2026

THE ORGANIZER INFORMS THAT THIS IS A PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE FOR THE EVENT

FRIDAY 15.05.2026 ALL CLASES

- 17:00-20:00 OPEN PADDOCK, ADMINISTRATIVE CHECK AND TECHNICAL SCRUTINEERING (We strongly recommend using this time.)
- 21:00 PADDOCK CLOSES

SATURDAY 16.05.2026 PRO2 AND PRO – MAIN TRACK

- 07:30-08:00 Administrative check for drivers who will complete their licence on-site and have not done so on Friday (primarily for Latvian drivers).
- 08:00-12:00 ADMINISTRATIVE CHECK (Drivers who do not complete it will not be allowed to participate in practice.)
- 09:00-12:30 TECHNICAL SCRUTINEERING (Drivers who do not complete it will not be allowed to participate in practice.)
- 08:30 PRO BRIEFING
- 09:30-12:30 PRO PRACTICE
- 11:00 PRO2 BRIEFING
- 12:45-14:05 PRO2 PRACTICE PART
- 13:00 PRO BRIEFING – QUALIFICATION
- 14:20-16:30 PRO QUALIFICATION
- 16:45-18:05 PRO2 PRACTICE PART2
- 17:00 PRO BRIEFING TANDEMS
- 18:10-20:00 PRO2 QUALIFICATION
- 20:10 PRO2 BRIEFING – TANDEMS

SUNDAY 17.05.2026 PRO2 UN PRO – MAIN TRACK

- 09:00-10:00 PRO2 PRACTICE TOP32
- 10:15-11:45 PRO2 TANDEMS TOP32
- 12:00-13:00 PRO PRACTICE TOP32
- 13:05 RACE OPENING CEREMONY**



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14:00-16:00 PRO2 TANDEM TOP16

16:05-19:00 PRO TANDEM TOP32

19:00 PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

19:20 DRIVERS AFTER-RACE BRIEFING (NOT MANDATORY)

SATURDAY 16.05.2026 STREET – BEHIND START HOUSE

07:30-08:00 Administrative check for those who will make driver's license on the place and didn't do that on Friday, as we see just some Latvians.

08:00 - 11:00 ADMINISTRATIVE CHECK (DRIVERS WITHOUT IT WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN PRACTICE)

08:10 - 11:00 TECHNICAL SCRUTINEERING (DRIVERS WITHOUT IT WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN PRACTICE)

09:15-11:50 PRACTICE PART 1

12:10 BRIEFING ABOUT QUALIFICATION

13:15-15:50 PRACTICE PART 2

16:10-19:00 QUALIFICATION STREET

19:20 TANDEM BRIEFING

SUNDAY 17.05.2026 STREET – BEHIND START HOUSE

09:30-10:30 STREET X PRACTICE

10:40-13:00 STREET X TANDEM

13:00 RACE OPENING CEREMONY

14:30-15:30 STREET TOP32 PRACTICE

16:00-19:00 STREET TOP32 TANDEM

19:00 PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

19:20 DRIVERS AFTER-RACE BRIEFING (NOT MANDATORY)

THE ORGANIZER KEEPS RIGHTS TO MODIFY THE TIMETABLE OF THE EVENT IF NEEDED

Please note that the schedule may be adjusted depending on the number of registered participants. The organizer will continuously monitor the registration process to ensure that track time is appropriate for the number of drivers.

If any changes to the schedule are made, all registered drivers will be informed no later than 07.05.2026. Additionally, in case of significant changes — including the addition of an extra day (e.g. Friday practice) the organizer will notify all drivers at least 1.5 weeks in advance.

TRACK



BIKERNIEKI RACE TRACK

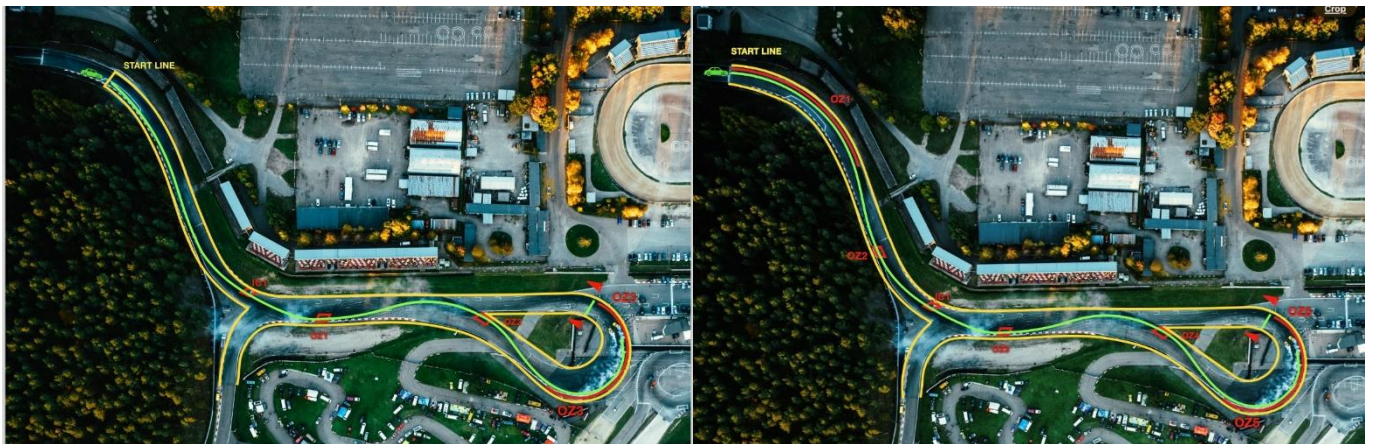
Track contact information: www.bksb.lv

Bikernieki race track address:

Riga, Sergeja Eizenšteina iela 2, LV – 1079

GPS coordinates: 56.9665° N, 24.2326°

LAYOUT PRO2/PRO



**THE COMPETITION WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE MAIN PART OF THE TRACK!
CONFIGURATION #FDSTYLE**

TRACK LAYOUT IN VIRTUAL: QUALIFICATION

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VTH8yMZIxHk>

TRACK LAYOUT IN VIRTUAL: TANDEMS

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bsa6cqwrEk>

LAYOUT STREET

**STREET TRACK PLACE- "BEHIND THE START HOUSE" THE TRACK
CONFIGURATION WILL BE DEVELOPED SPECIFICALLY FOR THIS STAGE AND
WILL BE ANNOUNCED BEFORE THE STAGE**

OFFICIALS

- 📄 Race Director: Janis Bluss
- 📄 Steward: Eline Berke Blusa
- 📄 Clerk of the course: Gunars Keipans
- 📄 Secretary of the Competition: Laila Keipane
- 📄 Chief scrutineer: Dainis Akmentins
- 📄 Safety officer: Gatis Bajinskis
- 📄 Judges: STREET- Ingus Jekabsons, Zigmars Eigims, Nauris Balodis
- 📄 Judges: PRO2/PRO- Imants Bitmets, Vahur Anton, Timas Simniska

REGISTRATION FOR RACE

REGISTRATION ONLINE FOR DRIVERS IS OPEN UNTIL 11.05.2026

PLEASE CHECK ENTRY FEE CHANGES BY REGISTRATION DEADLINE (01.05.2026):

<https://forms.gle/U21QcwyC5G1x7hgo7>

Supplementary regulations and all documents you can find in link- in BUT we suggest to use **SPORTITY:**

<http://www.drifflatvia.com/dalibniekiem/dokumenti/>

**ENTRY FEE: 175 EUR (standart one, please check deadlines)
25 EUR extra Baltic Pro2**

The entry fee can be paid at the race office during administrative checks. If you require an invoice for a company, please indicate this in the registration form, and you will receive the invoice from the organizer before the event. Latvians can also ask full season invoice for all stages happening in Latvia.

A driver may participate in only one competition class. Participation in multiple classes is allowed only in accordance with the annual regulations of the Latvian Drift Championship and requires a separate race car for each class. It is not permitted to compete in multiple classes using the same vehicle.

To follow up, are you in registered driver list, use this area:

<https://www.drifflatvia.com/dazadi/eventregistration/>

FOR MEDIA

REGISTRATION FOR MEDIA ARE OPEN UNTIL 08.05.2026

<https://www.drifflatvia.com/medijiem/mediaaccreditation/>

Location of Media center: BIKERNIEKI RACETRACK- START HOUSE 2ND FLOOR

Media center opening hours: Every day from 09:00-21:00

Please read the media accreditation and safety rules:

<http://www.drifflatvia.com/medijiem/>



TRAVEL

If a driver plans to travel to the event by ferry, please note that special discounts are available for drift participants on Tallink ships, starting from 40%. We strongly encourage taking advantage of these offers. For more information, please contact the organizer.



HOTELS INFORMATION

PARTNER HOTELS

ALL OF RIJA HOTELS, ALSO INCLUDING DEYS HOTEL VEF

25% OFF THE BEST AVAILABLE RATE

DRIFT2026
PROMO CODE

Book Until: December 22, 2026
Stay until: December 21, 2026
Wellton and Rija Hotels in Riga (Latvia)

Reservations must be made directly through our official websites or e-mail using the promo code DRIFT2026

wellton.com | rijahotels.com | reservations@mogotel.com

A promotional graphic for hotels featuring a dark background with a red border. It includes text about a 25% discount and a promo code, along with images of hotel interiors (pool, lounge, room) and a burger.

Aparthotel Amella is pleased to welcome all drift event participants and visitors traveling to Latvia in 2026.



Enjoy 15% off the publicly available accommodation rate for all apartment categories when booking directly with us.

How to receive the discount:

- Visit: www.hotelamella.lv
- Choose your preferred apartment and dates
- Enter the promo code **DRIFTSPECIAL26** when making your reservation

This special offer applies to all apartment categories at Aparthotel Amella and is available exclusively for guests attending drift events in Latvia during the 2026 season.

Experience **spacious, modern apartments** and a comfortable stay in Riga while enjoying the excitement of the drift season.

Promo code: DRIFTSPECIAL26

DRIVERS ALSO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO STAY OVERNIGHT AT THE TRACK

If drivers or teams stay overnight at the track, the following rules must be observed:

1. **Trailer:** If staying in a trailer, it must be positioned neatly within the participants' parking area and kept as discreet as possible. The surrounding area must be kept clean and organized at all times.
2. **Campers:** It is strongly recommended to use the designated camper parking area, located before the trailer parking zone.
3. **Tents:** If teams stay overnight in tents, they must be placed discreetly within the paddock area so as not to affect the professional appearance of the paddock and team spaces.
4. **Organizer's rights:** The organizer reserves the right to request the relocation of trailers or the removal of tents at any time.
5. **Showers:** Shower facilities will be available from Saturday morning until Sunday evening.

STICKER SCHEME

Coming soon...

PADDOCK

PADDOCK OPENING TIMES:

📅 **FRIDAY 16:00-22:00**

📅 **SATURDAY 07:00-22:00**

📅 **SUNDAY 07:30-22:00**

📅 **Entry to the race track- MAIN ENTRANCE! Friday- Saturday**

📅 **Entry to the race track- GATE NR.6 IN MAP- Sunday**

WHEN YOU ARRIVE AT THE TRACK:

- ☆ Please use the main entrance gate on Friday and Saturday.
- ☆ Admission tickets can only be collected by the driver at the entrance, based on the driver list. Please do not leave any tickets on your name to someone on the gate!! We are not answering about this, and also we will not take out some, in case someone take out other tickets!
- ☆ Drivers will receive 5 tickets (Driver, 3 Mechanics, Spotter) and 1 technical transport car pass.
- ☆ Additional tickets may be purchased if necessary. Ticket price: 20 EUR (maximum 4 tickets). For larger teams, please inform the organizer no later than 2 days before the event.
- ☆ Drivers may leave their cars overnight in the participants' paddock. However, please do not leave valuable or important items in the pit area, store them in your technical vehicle.
- ☆ Electricity usage: The Bīķernieki track has its own regulations regarding electricity usage, which also apply to all drivers. Please refer to the race regulations if electricity is required.
- ☆ Grills and alcohol: It is strictly forbidden to use grills or similar equipment in the paddock or anywhere on the track during the competition. This is only allowed after the event has finished and in compliance with safety regulations.
Security reserves the right to check technical vehicles for prohibited items, including alcohol, upon entry. There can't be glass bottles in paddock area when race is happening, for that driver will get penalty, and also can cost disqualification.
- ☆ Paddock: The main paddock is shared by all classes. Teams with drivers in multiple classes may stay together without restrictions.
Only one technical vehicle per driver is allowed in the paddock, this rule will be monitored and enforced.

TECHNICAL COMMISSION INFORMATION

Technical inspection will take place throughout the event. All drivers must ensure full compliance with the applicable rules and regulations, with particular attention to noise limits and maximum tire size.

Technical inspection will be available each day according to the official schedule. However, drivers are strongly encouraged to complete scrutineering on Friday in order to save time, especially those based near Riga.

Please note: without a valid technical inspection sticker, participation in practice will not be permitted.

If you need to contact the Technical Commissioner during the event, please use the following contact:

Dainis :+371 29560050

TIRE SIZES

☞ **STREET MAX 205 STREET TIRE**

☞ **PRO2 MAX 225 STREET TIRE (Latvia Pro2 and Baltic Pro2)**

☞ **PRO MAX 265 MIN 245**

PRO2 TIRE RULE - MAX 225- STREET TIRES

Maximum tread width of the rear tyres is 225 mm

Front tyres are free

Only the street legal rear tyres is allowed.

It is not allowed to use semi-slick and full slick tyres

Eligibility of the tyres is checked during the competition at the line-up area.

If there is any doubt about the suitability of the tire, send a clarifying question to dableds@gmail.com
Technical control can also send the competitor back from the starting line, in case the competitor makes a mistake with the tire rule.

In the season 2026 it is prohibited to use semi-slick or full slick tyres. If you have doubts about tyres you intend to use, please send the questions to dableds@gmail.com to avoid unnecessary problems at the scrutineering. If the driver violating the tyre regulations, scrutineers can eliminate the driver even from line-up.

NOISE

Exhaust system:

The exhaust system, starting from the cylinder head, is not restricted, provided that the noise level does not exceed 100 dB(A) at 4500 RPM (+3 dB(A) measurement tolerance), measured in accordance with FIA noise measurement methods.

Track usage & restrictions:

No drifting and any sounding is permitted between 21:00 and 09:00.

It is strictly forbidden to enter any track layout or drive a competition vehicle on track without prior approval from the race organizer and official marshals.

Paddock rules & quiet hours:

Music in the paddock must be kept at a low level after 22:00.

Quiet hours are in effect from 23:00 to 08:00.

During this period, teams may carry out necessary repairs; however:

- Engine testing, revving, or any excessive noise is strictly prohibited
- Driving or testing vehicles is not allowed

Failure to comply will result in starting from 500 EUR penalty.

The entire track area is monitored by cameras. Any unauthorized activity will be recorded and penalized.

Please respect the rules — they will be strictly enforced.

TIRE CHANGING

Tire Service:

A tire-changing crew will be available on-site, located in the paddock. Tire fitting is **included in the entry fee**.

The service will operate on both **Saturday and Sunday**.

Important:

Please do not leave your tires at the tire service area unattended, expecting the crew to manage them. The tire crew is responsible only for fitting and cannot supervise or organize tires for teams.

If tires are left without a team member present, they may be ignored. It is the team's responsibility to ensure that a representative is present during tire service.

TRAILER PARKING

Trailer parking- **RALLYCROSS TRACK GRAVEL PART!** It is strictly forbidden to park trailers in any other place! We respect each other!



ELECTRICITY

Electricity Connection:

Drivers requiring an electricity connection must inform the organizer in advance and pay the applicable fee. Electricity usage at the Bīķernieki track is subject to fixed rates, which apply to all participants.

It is **strictly forbidden** to connect to any power source on-site without prior permission. Bīķernieki staff continuously monitor electricity usage, including system-based tracking of connections.

Unauthorized connections will result in a penalty of 100 EUR per case.

Payment & Conditions:

The rates listed below apply to **one connection per day**, in accordance with the official BKSB price list (available at: www.bksb.lv).

Payments must be made to the competition secretary, indicating:

- paddock/service box location
- driver's starting number
- type of electrical connection

Electricity rates:

- Up to 3 kW – **20 EUR**
- 3 kW to 12 kW – **35 EUR**
- Above 12 kW – **70 EUR**

DRIVER BRIEFING AREA

Drivers' Meetings:

Drivers' meetings will take place in a dedicated meeting room located near the entrance to the participants' paddock area.

Attendance is **mandatory**. Only the **driver and the registered spotter** (as indicated in the registration process) are permitted to attend, in order to ensure proper control of participants.

Spotters:

At this event, the spotter's location will be separated and will be announced during Drivers' Briefing 1.

Spotter Wristbands:

- ☞ You will receive an extra wristband for your spotter during driver registration at the race office.
- ☞ The spotter must always wear this wristband together with the main race wristband. Spotters need to use also High visibility vests, as spotter tower is in track side.

Only spotters with valid wristbands and pass will be allowed in the designated spotter area

ADDITIONAL REGULATION

1. Drifting outside the track:

Drifting outside the designated track layout is strictly prohibited at all times. This rule is included in the regulations and may result in **disqualification** or big money penalty.

2. Access roads / start & finish zones:

Drifting on the way to the start zone or after the finish is strictly forbidden, unless in case there is separate approval from organizer.

3. Standing burnouts:

Standing burnouts are strictly prohibited at any time and in any location.

4. Smoking:

Smoking in the paddock is **strictly prohibited**. A penalty of **100 EUR** will be applied for each violation.

Smoking is allowed **only in designated areas**.

5. Movement within track territory:

When driving from the service park to the start zone, drivers are fully responsible for any incidents involving persons on track.

- Recommended speed: **max. 10 km/h**
- Speeding or drifting in this area may result in a **100 EUR penalty** each time
- In the forest section and surrounding roads: **max. 50 km/h**

6. Service park access:

The service park is located within the track territory. Only the **race car and one service (technical) vehicle** are allowed.

The technical vehicle must display a sticker including the **driver's surname and contact number**.

The organizer reserves the right to **remove the service vehicle sticker** in case of misuse or suspected violations.

7. Speed limit in service park:

The maximum speed in the service park is **10 km/h**.

- First offense: warning or fine
- Repeated violations: access to the service park may be revoked

8. Hot pit (PRO / PRO2):

From **Top 16**, PRO and PRO2 drivers must use the **hot pit at the start line**. Teams must ensure their technical vehicle is prepared for this, unless otherwise instructed by the Race Director on the event day, if they can't do that, then follow up race regulation.

⚠ Important notes

Please carefully review all regulations and driver booklets provided. These documents are essential for proper participation in the event.

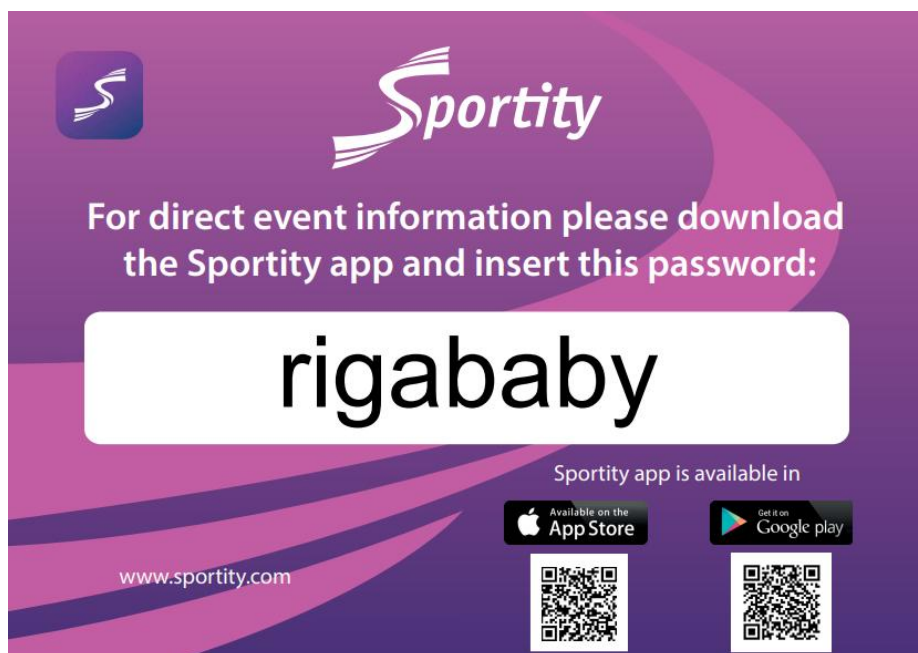
👉 Special attention – Rule 6.5.3 (Crashes):

Drivers are **not allowed to leave the vehicle after a crash unless there is a fire**. This is a critical safety regulation.

✅ Teams are strongly advised to review the **“5-minute rule”** and other key procedures to ensure full preparedness.

This information is essential and will help ensure a smooth and safe race process.

PLEASE JOIN THE SPORTITY APP



The graphic features the Sportity logo at the top left. Below it, the text reads: "For direct event information please download the Sportity app and insert this password: rigababy". The password "rigababy" is displayed in a large white box. At the bottom, it says "Sportity app is available in" followed by "Available on the App Store" and "Get it on Google play" with their respective logos. Two QR codes are provided for scanning. The website "www.sportity.com" is listed at the bottom left.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT CAN HELP YOU

CLOSEST CAR PART SHOPS:

- ☆ Adress: Dzelzavas iela 120 J, Riga (1KM) www.apemotors.lv +37167387878
- ☆ Our use Intercars web page

GASOLINE:

- ☆ E85 you can get VIADA, Gunāra Astras street 4,2KM
- ☆ CIRCLE K 1,5km
- ☆ NESTE 1,5km

FOOD?!

- ☆ **Best Food option – Kebab Factory- NEW PLACE!!**

Kebab Factory has OPEN a new location just **5 minutes driving from the track**, offering easy access even for larger vehicles such as trailers, vans, or buses.

You can place your order in advance and simply **drive in and pick it up**. The location also offers **a lot of parking space**, ensuring a fast and smooth experience.

 Open daily until **00:00**

It is strictly forbidden to bring glass bottles or strong alcohol into the paddock and race area. Consumption of strong alcohol in the paddock during race time is also prohibited.

CLOSEST HOSPITAL:

- ☆ Rigas Austrumu kliniska universitātes slimnīca, Hipokrata iela 2, Vidzemes priekšpilsēta, Riga, LV-1038

PORTS

- ☆ Ventspils port – Stena Line - www.steneline.lv , Ventspils - Nynashamn (Sweden)
- ☆ Tallink port- Tallin www.tallink.lv (we have great discount codes)

TAXIS

- ☆ We suggest to download "Bolt" or Uber application in your phone to order affordable taxi

LATVIAN ROAD REGULATIONS

- ☆ Important Traffic Rules Reminder
- ☆ Maximum permitted speed: 50 km/h in cities, 90 km/h outside cities
- ☆ Speed is monitored by photo radars in road traffic
- ☆ Drivers and passengers must wear seat belts at all times
- ☆ Using a cell phone while driving is strictly prohibited

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- ☆ Traffic police may require drivers to undergo an alcohol test
- ☆ Maximum alcohol limits: 0.05% for experienced drivers, and 0.02% for drivers with less than two years of experience

RULES OF THE ROAD

- ☆ Maximum permitted speed: 50 km / h in cities, 90 km / h outside cities;
- ☆ In road traffic, photo radars are used to control speed;
- ☆ Safety belts must be worn by the driver and passengers at all times;
- ☆ While driving, it is forbidden for the driver to use the cell phone while driving;
- ☆ The traffic police may require drivers to undergo an alcohol test;
- ☆ The maximum level of alcohol in the blood is 0.05%, for drivers with less than two years of experience 0.02%.

Please also remember that if trucks who have bigger weight than 3000kg or the composition is bigger weight than 3500 kg need to buy „Vinjete”, you can buy separate it for 1 day, 1 month our 1 year! There are different ways how you can buy „Vinjete” also by SMS:

<https://www.lvvignette.eu/>

https://smsvinjetes.lv/?gclid=EAlalQobChMljlRzLOC4wIVwpQYCh2SAw90EAAYASAAEgIN3PD_BwE

<http://www.viglat.lv/en>

REFUELING

There will be a designated fuel refueling point.

Refueling in the paddock is strictly forbidden.

Only two cars may refuel at the same time; all others must wait in the queue near the refueling zone.

Team members performing refueling are strongly recommended to wear gloves and protective glasses.

Wearing clothing that fully covers legs and arms, as well as closed shoes, is mandatory—no shorts or short shirts allowed.

The number of team members involved in refueling should not exceed two people

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