VilniusRusne2020

Rules for participation

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- 1. VilniusRusne2020 (VR2020) is an international river run journey for paddlers, where personal equipment has to be carried on the boat.
- 2. The aims of VR2020 are: the athletic and outdoor challenge, the encounter with a foreign land and foreign population, the community with fellow paddler.
- 3. The good participant is helpful, considerate, tolerant, caring of water, wildlife and environment.
- 4. Except for what explicitly planned, there is no right to some kind of assistance, either from other participants, nor from the organization.
- 5. The participation is possible for groups and individuals, who have to register.
- 6. The participation of young people under the age of 18 is possible only under the supervision of parents or youth leaders in charge.
- 7. The participation is at own responsibility, risk and expenses. The organisation is not liable for personal injury and material damage and their consequences.
- 8. The course of the journey is determined by the published program, but it can be modified by the organization for objective reasons.
- 9. Instructions of the guides or of national regulations have to be obeyed.
- 10. The attendance to briefings is mandatory.
- 11. The organization is entitled to exclude participants from the voyage, in case of violation of these Rules, of given instructions, of national regulations or of the interests of the community.
- 12. Participants and boats have to be equipped according to the safety instructions: life jackets, buoyancy bodies, handles.
- 13. Boats need to carry identification: name and telephone number of the paddler.
- 14. There is no guidance or leadership provided on the water. The indicated daily stages are to be strictly followed with autonomous planning of the daytime.
- 15. Arrival at each campsite is at the latest at 6 pm. Participants who exceptionally want to skip a campsite have to inform the guides about their plans in advance. During their absence, they are automatically excluded from the community. A participant who fails to meet the respective day's stage, for example because of weather or health conditions, is obliged to inform the guides about his absence on the same day at the latest till 6 pm. In case no such notification is given and the absence justifies a search operation, the participant has to carry all costs of this operation.
- 16. Night-time silence is between 9 pm and 6 am.
- 17. The participant herewith confirms:
 - a. to be able to cope with paddling long distances of up to 60km per day under sometimes extreme weather conditions,
 - b. to be physically and mentally healthy and to cope with all efforts of the event in every respect,
 - c. to have contracted a valid international health insurance with repatriation for the duration of the voyage; the respective certificate has to be carried with,
 - d. to have current knowledge in First Aid, and to carry First Aid tools on board,
 - e. to be able to swim in flowing waters,
 - f. to observe the navigation rules, signs, and commands of shipping authorities.
- 18. With his registration, the participant agrees to these Rules and commits to comply with them.