

Baltic Open Youth Championship 2025

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Objective and organizers of the tournament

The organization of the Baltic Youth Championship (10x10) draughts 2025 is initiated by the Lithuanian Draughts Federation (LSF) in close cooperation with Latvian Draughts Federation and Estonian Draughts Federation.

The tournament is hosted to facilitate the development of international draughts. As well as to strengthen the friendship between the draughts players from Baltic countries, Ukraine, and Poland.

2. Dates& accommodation

The tournament will take place in Palanga located on Ganyklu street 2, Palanga (Palanga Vladas Jurgutis Progymnasium) from the 22nd to 24th August 2025.

Accommodation and associated costs are a sole responsibility of the participants themselves.

3. Schedule of the tournament

Thursday, 21 August

Arrival of participants

Friday, 22 August

11:00 – 11:45 registration of participants

12:00 – Opening ceremony

13:30 - 1st round

16:00 - 2nd round

Saturday, 23 August

09:00 - 3rd round

11:30 – 4th round

15:00 - 5th round

Sunday, 24 August

09:00-6th round

11:30 - 7th round

15:00 Closing ceremony

4. Participants

Representatives of Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Ukraine, and Poland may participate in this tournament if representative has made a payment of tournament participation fee.

Tournament will be held separately for girls and boys in following age groups U8, U10, U13, U16, U19.

Average number of players per group is twenty players. Organizers reserve a right to merge age groups if there is insufficient number of participants in some of the age groups. Limit of players is 5 players per country and Organizer country has a right to add more players if there is a smaller number of players from other countries in some of the groups.

5. Tournament playout procedure

The tournament will be held separately for girls and boys in accordance with the rules of the World Draughts Federation according to the Swiss system in 7 rounds. Official FMJD software Draughts Arbiter will be used. All FMJD rules are valid.

Time control per game: 45 minutes + 15 seconds per each move until the end of the game. The results of the tournament will be included in the calculation of the FMJD rating system.

6. Participation fees

Tournament fee should be paid by bank transfer until July 31 at latest. After this date increased tournament fee is to be paid by bank transfer or by cash at least one hour before opening ceremony.

Beneficiary: Lietuvos šaškių federacija

Bank: Swedbank, AB

Bank Address: Zemaitės g. 6, Vilnius, Lithuania

Swift Code: HABALT22

IBAN: LT037300010002450804

Tournament participation standard fee is 20 EUR per player, after July 31 tournament participation fee will be 25 EUR.

7. Awards and prizes

The winners in each group will be awarded a cup, top three players in each group will be awarded medals and diplomas, as well as prizes.

8. Filing a protest

Protests must be submitted to the Main Referee in writing no later than 10 minutes after the end of the game. A protest shall be deemed to have been filed if the protester has paid a deposit of EUR 20, which shall be returned to the protester if the protest is upheld.

9. Expenses of participants

All expenses related to participation in the tournament are covered by participants themselves.

10. Contacts

Applications for the tournament, including notification on payment of participation fee, must be submitted by the national federations to the Lithuanian Draughts Federation Vice President Mrs. Sandra Laurutiene, <u>federacija@saske.lt</u> by July 31, 2025.

Main Referee: - Vitas Labutis, vitasmeister@gmail.com.

11. Other regulations

Any issues not covered by these rules will be decided by the Tournament Director in consultation with the Main Referee.

Participants will be photographed or filmed during the event, and photographs and audiovisual material