

The 32nd Juozas Kulikauskas International Draughts Memorial

1. ORGANISATION AND MANAGEMENT

The tournament is organised by the Lithuanian Draughts Federation. The tournament is conducted by the LŠF Referees' Panel. The tournament regulations, in accordance with the 2026 LŠF competition rules, are established by the panel of competition judges.

2. VENUE AND DATE OF THE COMPETITION

The venue for the competition is the Vilkpėdė Service Centre, 21 Žemaitės Street, Vilnius.

Competition dates: 25–27 September 2026. Start time: 15.30 on 25 September 2026.

3. PARTICIPANTS AND CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

Players from all countries may take part in the tournament provided they have submitted their applications on time, registered and paid the entry fee, with the exception of players from Russia and Belarus, who are not permitted to participate.

Registration is open until 21st of September 2026 via email at federacija@saske.lt. A participant is considered registered once the entry fee has been paid.

The competition is open to players with an FMJD rating of over 1850, or those aged 16 or over (born in 2010 or earlier), or members of the Lithuanian national team travelling to the 2026 World Youth Draughts Championship in China. Those who do not meet the specified conditions should contact federacija@saske.lt by email to request an exemption.

All costs associated with the tournament, including accommodation and meals, are to be covered by the participant or the sending organisation. The Lithuanian Draughts Federation will award the first 60 registered participants 50 euros each to cover accommodation or meal costs.

Entry fee – 20 euros. The fee is to be transferred to the Lithuanian Draughts Federation's bank account LT037300010002450804 at AB Swedbank (preferred option) or paid in cash at the venue. International Grandmasters and International Masters (GMI, GMIF, MI, MIF) are exempt from the entry fee.

Competition participants agree to take part in light physical activity (~15 mins) as part of the Physical Activity Programme.

Participants agree that they may be photographed and filmed during the tournament, and that the resulting footage and/or photographs may be used for the purposes of promoting the tournament, the sport of draughts and the game itself, and may be published on the organisers' websites and social media accounts.

4. TOURNAMENT FORMAT

The tournament will be held in accordance with the rules of 100-square draughts (FMJD), using the Swiss system. The expected time control is 45 minutes + 15 seconds per move in a game. The number of rounds and time control may vary depending on the number of participants.

Provisional timetable:

25 September

Opening ceremony – 3.30 pm

Round 1 – 4.00 pm

Round 2 – 6.30 pm

26 September

Round 3 – 10.00 am

Round IV – 2.00 pm

Round V – 4.30 pm

27 September

Round VI – 9.30 am

Round VII – 12.00 pm

Closing ceremony – 03.00 pm

In the event of a tie, placings will be determined according to the following criteria:

- 1) using the Median Solkoff system (the total points scored against opponents, excluding the best and worst results);
- 2) using the reduced Solkoff rating system (the worst result is discarded from the total points scored against all opponents; if the total is still equal, the two worst results are discarded, and so on);
- 3) using the Sonneborn–Berger system (the points scored against opponents who were beaten are totalled, and 50 per cent of the points from matches that ended in a draw are added).

5. AWARDS

Awards for first place in the men's, women's and youth (born in 2007 and younger) categories: a trophy, a medal, a certificate and cash prizes. Medals, certificates and cash prizes for those finishing in 2nd and 3rd place. Cash prizes will be paid by bank transfer to a personal bank account. The prize fund is at least €1,000. The final prize fund will be announced before the first round.

The two highest-placed Lithuanian players will qualify for the 2027 Lithuanian Men's 100-square Draughts Championship.

6. ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation and related expenses are to be covered by the participant or the organisation sending them.

7. OTHER MATTERS

For any queries regarding the tournament, please contact us by email at federacija@saske.lt or tunkevicartur@gmail.com