

ARDF competitions **RUSSIAN OPEN 2018**

27th of July – 1st of August 2018 Vladimir, Russia

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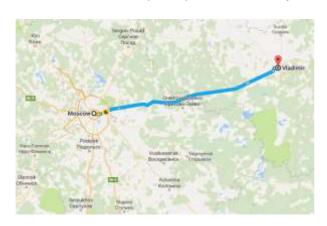
Dear ARDF friends,

Vladimir's regional division of the Soyuz Radiolyubiteley Rossii (SRR) as organizer of ARDF competitions "RUSSIAN OPEN 2018" is pleased to invite ARDF teams, individual competitors and visitors from all over the world to Russia in July 2018 to spend some unforgettable days in historical Russian district.

The competitions will be held in Vladimir city area, the part of "Golden Ring of Russia", one of the famous Russian touristic destinations.

Venue:

Event center will be in Ladoga touristic center (56°08'29.0"N 40°29'26.6"E). Address of the venue: Sosnovaya street, 12, Turbaza Ladoga district, Vladimir, 600023, Russia. Phone: +7 (4922) 45-77-10, http://ladoga33.ru





Accommodation:

As well as event center Ladoga touristic center also will be the main accommodation center. There are other accommodation facilities in Vladimir city and its surroundings as well.

Transportation to the venue:

The nearest main transfer hubs are international airports in Moscow city (about 170 km from event center) and in Nizhniy Novgorod city (about 240 km from the event center). A high speed train may be used from Moscow or Nizhniy Novgorod railway stations to Vladimir main railway station (it will take you less than 2 hours). See the details at http://rzd.ru. Transfers from airports and railway stations to the event center are also possible and can be provided by organizers upon request.

Schedule:

Date		Event	
Friday,	July 27	Arrival, registration, training CLASSICS 3.5MHz/144MHz,	
		opening ceremony, competition among the blind sportsmen	
Saturday,			
		Excursion (if requested in advance)	
Sunday,	July 29	Competition day CLASSICS 3.5MHz.	
		Excursion (if requested in advance)	
Monday,	July 30	Competition day FOXORING.	
		Excursion (if requested in advance)	
Tuesday,	July 31	Competition day SPRINT, closing ceremony	
Wednesday,	August 1	Departure	

Classification and categories of participants:

Individual only classification in each competition with unlimited number of participants in following categories:

M categories: M19, M21, M40, M50, M60, M70, W categories: W19, W21, W35, W50, W60.

In categories W19/M19 is allowed participation of the competitors 2004 - 1999 years of birth.

Maps and terrain: IOF standard orienteering maps. Difficulty of terrains for running: easy/middle degree.

1 : 15 000 (A4 size) classics map 1 : 10 000 foxoring map 1 : 5 000 sprint map

Weather:

The average temperature in Vladimir in July is about 23°C. The running conditions usually are very good at this time of the year.

Starting fees:

Starting fee per competition is **600 RUB** (eq. 8.5 EUR). Starting fee includes maps, transfers to/from competition area and soft drinks at finish. Transfer fee to/from finish area for other persons (coaches, guests, visitors) is **350 RUB** (eq. 5 EUR) for each day.

Exchange rate (used): 1 EUR = 70.65 RUB

Item	Price		Time period	
5 days accommodation	3 250 RUB	46 EUR	27.07 - 01.08.2018	
5 days meals	2 750 RUB	39 EUR	From 27.07. (lunch) till 01.08.2018 (breakfast)	
4 days starting fee	2 400 RUB	34 EUR	All days	
Full package (accommodation + meals + starting fee)	8 400 RUB	119 EUR	27.07 - 01.08.2018.	

Payments should be paid in RUB.

Visas:

According to the current regulations, citizens of some countries must obtain a visa in order to enter Russian Federation. For those who need visa, organizers will help with invitation letters for visa preparation upon request.

Application form:

Please complete application form and send it to organizers e-mail **info@ardf2018.ru**. It can be found and downloaded in Microsoft Excel file (Application Form Russian Open 2018.xls) at http://ardf2018.ru. Application form must include country, names, categories, date of birth, events and expected day/time of arrival and departure for each competitor (or the same for team). Application deadline: **30**th **of June 2018**.

On-line registration:

On-line registration will be available at http://ardf.ru or http://ardf.ru since 4th of June 2018.

Detailed schedule & information:

Detailed schedule and technical information will be published in Bulletin 2 on 25th of June 2018.

Information:

E-mail: info@ardf2018.ru

Websites: http://ardf.ru

We will do our best to make your stay in Russia pleasant and successful.

Sincerely, Russian Open 2018 Team 31st of May 2018