

Night Race

Purpose of the Competition

The Night Race is a spectacular evening program that makes the competition special. The sight of illuminated ship models in the dark has been very popular for years. Based on more than a decade of experience, it was first officially included in the categories at the 2024 World Championship in Sarkad, where it also achieved significant success in the international field.

The task of the organizer

The organizer must provide a course on which the buoys are well and evenly illuminated at night (internal lighting). The choice of the color of the buoys is the responsibility of the organizer. Recommended lighting: RGB submersible LEDs with remote control.

Recommended start time: 21:30.

Registration

- Each competitor can start with their own ship model.
- The size of the models is not limited.
- The use of side lights is mandatory so that the judge can clearly recognize the right and left sides of the ship.
- Additional decorative lighting is permitted.
- The use of laser light or structured light (laser lines, etc.), as well as any electronic control aids (GPS, electro-optical systems, etc.) is prohibited.

Race procedure

- The competition consists of one running test. It lasts 7 minutes. The scoring is the same as for the F2, F4 categories
- In the event of an equal score, placement must be decided by a race repeat.

Race repeat

1. Complete the course in reverse order.
2. If the score is still equal, the judge conducting the competition may prescribe a special maneuver - for example, a specified number of repeated maneuvers between two designated gates.
3. If this still does not decide, the judge may authorize an additional, shortened special maneuver. As a last resort - or if the weather conditions turn unfavorable - the judge may propose that the placings be decided by a coin toss. However, this can only be applied if all competitors involved expressly accept this solution.

(Text based on the original rules of Mr. László Plank)