KGYM Aerial Acrobatics Cup “Magic in the Air” 2026

ARTISTIC DIVISION COMPETITION REGULATIONS

1. Competition Organizers

The competition is organized by **KGYM Sports and Wellness Center**.

The organizers ensure the technical and organizational conditions required for the competition and conduct a safety inspection of the equipment provided by the organizers and used during the competition.

2. Date and Venue

Date – 4–6 December 2026
Venue – Menų spaustuvė (Arts Printing House), Šiltadaržio St. 6, Vilnius, Lithuania.

Friday, 4 December – competition day for participants from Lithuania.

International teams and participants do not need to arrive on 4 December.

Saturday–Sunday, 5–6 December – international competition days for the Artistic Division.

International participants and teams must plan to attend both competition days – Saturday and Sunday.

The organizers will determine the day of each participant’s performance and the starting order, taking into account the overall competition programme, categories, disciplines and number of participants.

It is not possible to request or select a performance on Saturday only or Sunday only in advance. A participant may be scheduled to perform on either of these two days.

Teams must plan their travel so that they can remain until the end of the full competition programme on Sunday.

The detailed schedule for performances, judging and awards, together with the starting order, will be published after registration closes. The starting order will not be adjusted to accommodate individual travel or departure times.

3. Entry Fee and Registration

Entry fee – **€80**.

For participation in **2 or more disciplines**, the fee is **€60 per discipline**.

For participation in a duet, the fee is **€60 per participant**.

The fee must be paid by **10 November 2026**.

Bank account: LT027230000000700611
Recipient: VšĮ "Atrask sportą"
Payment reference: Magic in the Air, number of participants, team name.

A copy of the bank transfer confirmation must be sent by email to **magijaore@atrasksporta.lt**.

The completed registration form must be submitted by **10 November 2026**. The registration details for all participants on one team must be submitted together.

4. Competition Participants and Disciplines

Participants are invited to take part in the **KGYM Aerial Acrobatics Cup "Magic in the Air" Artistic Division competition**.

Participants may perform as solo athletes or in duets or groups, including mixed-gender routines.

The Artistic Division includes the following disciplines:

- Aerial Hoop (Lyra);
- Aerial Silks;
- Aerial Hammock;
- Original Equipment.

All routines performed on original or non-standard aerial equipment are entered in one combined **"Original Equipment"** category, regardless of the type of equipment used or the participant's age or skill level.

The participant or team must provide and bring their own original equipment. The organizers do not provide original or non-standard equipment.

The participant's original equipment must be submitted to the organizers for a safety inspection before use. The organizers reserve the right to prohibit the use of any equipment that fails to meet safety or technical requirements or may endanger the participant or any other person.

5. Age Groups

The following age groups apply in the Artistic Division:

- **Adults** – 18 years and older;
- **Juniors** – 15–17 years;
- **Youth** – 11–14 years;
- **Children** – 8–10 years.

A participant's age group is determined by their age on the day of the competition.

Duet age groups:

- **Older Duets** – Juniors and Adults, age 15 and over;
- **Younger Duets** – Children and Youth, ages 8–14.

If a duet includes participants from different age groups, it will be assigned to the age group determined by the older participant's age.

6. Artistic Division Skill Categories

Debut – for participants competing in an aerial acrobatics competition for the first time. A participant who has previously competed in an aerial acrobatics competition may not register in the Debut category.

Beginner – less than 2 years of aerial acrobatics training and no professional experience in any other sport. The restrictions on prohibited elements set out in Annex A apply to this category.

Intermediate – at least 2 years of aerial acrobatics training.

Semi-Professional – at least 3 years of aerial acrobatics training.

Professional – at least 5 years of aerial acrobatics training, previous competition experience and podium finishes.

If the number of registrations is high, the relevant category may be divided into stronger and weaker subgroups based on the athletes' skill levels.

If the organizers have doubts about whether the selected category matches an athlete's skill level, they may request a short video of the athlete's routine.

The organizers reserve the right to reassign an athlete to the category corresponding to their actual skill level.

7. Floor Choreography

A floor choreography segment is also assessed as part of every Artistic Division routine.

The total duration of the floor choreography must be no shorter than **15 seconds** and no longer than **40 seconds**.

The floor choreography may be performed continuously or divided into several segments throughout the routine.

8. Routine Duration

- **Debut** – 2:00–3:00 min.;
- **Beginner** – 2:15–3:30 min.;
- **Intermediate** – 2:15–3:30 min.;
- **Semi-Professional** – 3:00–4:30 min.;
- **Professional** – 3:00–5:00 min.

The music-track duration must comply with the requirements of the selected category.

9. Scoring

Artistic Division routines are scored using three main components: **Artistic**, **Difficulty**, and **Execution and Penalties**.

Artistic component – maximum 23 points:

- Routine opening and finish – 0–3 points;
- Costume and accessories – 0–3 points;
- Makeup and hairstyle – 0–3 points;
- Musicality – 0–3 points;
- Emotion and charisma – 0–4 points;
- Body lines and posture – 0–3 points;
- Overall impression of the routine – 0–4 points.

Difficulty component – maximum 33 points:

- Climbs and mounts – 0–4 points;
- Element holds – 0–3 points;
- Transitions – 0–3 points;
- Strength elements – 0–4 points;
- Balance elements – 0–4 points;
- Flexibility elements – 0–4 points;
- Dynamic elements – 0–4 points;
- Spins – 0–3 points;

- Floor section – 0–4 points.

Maximum score before deductions – 56 points.

10. Execution Errors and Penalties

Points are deducted from the combined **Artistic + Difficulty** score for execution errors and rule violations:

- Failure to enter the stage / failure to prepare the equipment within 20 seconds – **2 points**;
- Inappropriate costume – **1 point per violation**;
- Wiping hands on the costume or equipment – **2 points per occurrence**;
- Slip / loss of control – **0.5–1 point per occurrence**;
- Fall – **1–5 points per occurrence**, depending on the severity of the fall;
- Incorrect execution angle of an element – **1 point per occurrence**;
- Lack of synchronisation in duets – **0.5 point per occurrence**;
- Incorrect body lines – **0.2 points per occurrence**;
- Regrip / grip correction – **0.5 point per occurrence**;
- Singing or communicating with the coach during the routine – **1 point per occurrence**;
- Finishing the routine before or after the music ends – **2 points**.

Final score = Artistic + Difficulty – Execution/Penalties.

If several participants achieve the same final score, the participant with the higher Difficulty score is ranked higher. If the Difficulty scores are also equal, the Artistic scores are compared.

11. Music Requirements

- The soundtrack may consist of several music tracks.
- Music with lyrics is permitted in the Artistic Division.
- The music must not contain religious or political content or undertones.
- Profanity and obscene language are prohibited, regardless of language.
- The music must be submitted in **MP3 format**.
- The music-track duration must comply with the requirements of the selected category.
- The routine must finish together with the music track. Finishing the routine before or after the track ends is considered an execution error.
- The athlete's bow may be performed after the music track has ended.
- All music files for participants from one team must be sent in a single email.
- File name: **FirstName_LastName_Category_Discipline**.
- The music must be sent by **10 November 2026** to **magijaore@atrasksporta.lt**.

12. Stage and Equipment

A minimum clear distance of **3 metres** will be maintained in front of, beside and behind the aerial equipment.

A **2 × 2 m safety mat, 20 cm thick**, will be used during routines.

Aerial Hoop (Lyra): 75, 80, 85, 90, 95 or 100 cm in diameter; single-point suspension; adjustable height.

Aerial Silks: height 6–8 m; width 150–160 cm.

Aerial Hammock: adjustable height of 3–6 m; single-point swivel suspension with carabiners.

13. Costume and Stage Appearance

Participants may choose an individual costume. A costume may be one-piece or two-piece, but the bikini area must be fully covered. The upper part of the costume must not expose the chest from the front or sides, and the lower part must fully cover the buttocks.

Costumes may be decorated with fabric details, flowers, appliqués and other stage elements, provided that they do not interfere with safe performance or damage the equipment.

Dangerous metal components and latex decorations are prohibited. Permitted stage accessories include scarves, capes, skirts, masks and similar items; however, they must not be erotic, fetishistic or of a similar nature.

High-heeled shoes are prohibited. Pointe shoes, gymnastics footwear and other footwear suitable for the routine are permitted.

Going without underwear is prohibited – underwear must be properly fitted to the costume and must not be visible or otherwise draw attention.

14. Awards

The winners of the KGYM Aerial Acrobatics Cup will receive **trophies**. All podium finishers will receive **medals, diplomas and gifts**. All participants will receive certificates of appreciation and commemorative gifts.

The awards ceremony is an official part of the competition programme. Athletes must wear their competition costume or team uniform during the ceremony and arrive on time.

If an athlete cannot attend the awards ceremony, an authorized representative of the athlete or team may collect the award on their behalf.

If neither the athlete nor their representative collects the award, it will not be sent by post, courier or any other delivery method. An unclaimed award will be returned to the organizers' awards fund.

In the event of a tie, both participants or teams will receive awards of the same rank, and the next place will be skipped.

15. Credentials Check and Accreditation

The Credentials Check will take place **each competition day from 09:00 to 09:50** at the venue.

The team leader or athlete's representative must present medical certificates and the club/team roster.

The team leader confirms that the parents or legal guardians of minor participants have given the required consent for the children to be filmed and photographed during the competition.

If the team leader, athlete or representative cannot attend at the designated time, they must inform the organizers in advance using the contact details provided and must obtain confirmation from the organizers that the information has been received and an alternative time or method for submitting the documents has been agreed.

Simply sending a notification does not constitute prior coordination.

16. Withdrawal and Changes

Notice of withdrawal from the competition must be submitted in writing at least **7 days before the event**.

Changes to team participants are permitted until **1 December 2026**, provided that the new participant meets all established requirements.

Paid entry fees are non-refundable, except where the event is cancelled by decision of the organizers.

Registration means that the participant or their legal representative has read these regulations and agrees to comply with them.

17. Safety, Health, Insurance and Liability

Aerial acrobatics is a physically high-risk activity. Before registration, the participant – or, in the case of a minor participant, their parents or legal guardians – must assess the participant's health, physical readiness and ability to safely perform the selected routine.

The participant must hold a valid medical certificate confirming fitness to participate in aerial acrobatics.

All participants are recommended to have valid insurance covering accidents and sports activities during the competition. Foreign participants are also recommended to arrange suitable travel and health insurance valid in the Republic of Lithuania.

The participant is solely responsible for ensuring that the elements selected and performed are appropriate to their physical and technical preparation, and that any personal equipment they bring is suitable and in sound technical condition.

The organizers are responsible for implementing the organizational and technical safety measures within their competence; however, to the extent permitted by law, they are not liable for accidents, injuries, health problems or other damage arising from the participant's health condition, insufficient physical or technical preparation, an incorrectly selected or performed element, the actions of the participant or their representative, failure to comply with the rules, or other circumstances beyond the organizers' control.

By registering, the participant – or, in the case of a minor participant, their parents or legal guardians – confirms that they understand the risks associated with aerial acrobatics and agree to comply with these regulations and the safety requirements of the organizers and technical staff.

The organizers have the right to refuse an athlete's start or stop a routine if there are reasonable doubts about the safety of the participant, the equipment being used or the routine being performed. The current general regulations already provide for participant responsibility, health documents and equipment safety inspections; in this version, the limits of liability are formulated more precisely.

18. Photography and Filming

The organizers have the right to photograph and film the competition. Material created during the competition may be used for event promotion and the promotion of aerial acrobatics on websites, social media, in the press and in video content.

In the case of minor participants, consent from their parents or legal guardians must be obtained.

19. Travel and Accommodation

Teams and participants are responsible for arranging their own travel and accommodation.

The organizers may provide foreign teams with recommendations for hotels and transport near the venue.

Information concerning the final competition schedule will be provided after registration closes.
By registering, the participant – or, for a minor participant, their parents or legal guardians – confirms that they have read and understood these regulations and agree to comply with them.