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06 - 07.02.2026

# Rally Guide





## **Rally Sarma 2026 is a strong tradition that must be continued and strengthened.**

Dear motorsport competitors and fans, welcome to the Gulbene region — the home of Rally Sarma and one of the most scenic and winter-rally-friendly locations in Latvia! We are proud and pleased that Rally Sarma will take place in the Gulbene region for the 51st time, once again bringing the sound of rally cars to our local roads. Rally Sarma is one of the most anticipated, largest and most experienced sporting events in our region, providing excitement for competitors and unforgettable emotions for spectators alike. It is a true pleasure that in February 2026 the name of Gulbene will once again resonate, as the town becomes the capital of winter rallying.

Rally is a way of life. It is a passion. Rallying also requires hard work and significant resources — first and foremost from the organisers, and of course from the competitors themselves. Equally important is the enthusiastic support from fans. I encourage local residents to take this opportunity and attend the rally here at home, on the special stages we know so well.

As promised by the organisers, seven Rally Sarma special stages are planned for 2026, allowing spectators to experience even more excitement and enjoy the rally to the fullest. The stage combinations will be different, and the much-loved “Zaķakājas” special stage will make its return.

I would also like to highlight that Rally Sarma 2026 will count towards the Latvian Rally Championship, Latvian Rallysprint Championship, and the Latvian Historic Rally Car Championship. My sincere thanks go to the energetic Rally Sarma organising team for making this possible.

The hospitable and skilled entrepreneurs of the Gulbene region are also ready to welcome visitors during the rally days, offering both accommodation and leisure opportunities, as well as delighting guests with their culinary talents.

As Christmas approaches, let us hope for a true winter with snow-covered roads — an essential element for the successful running of Rally Sarma. Meanwhile, the organisers, with their extensive experience built up over many years, will do everything possible to ensure that the rally becomes an unforgettable experience filled with emotions for us and for all rally fans visiting our region.

I wish everyone a great mood, and let us never forget that safety always comes first, so that everyone can return home with positive memories of their time in the Gulbene region. Mark the date and see you at Rally Sarma 2026!

Normunds Mazūrs  
Chairman of the Gulbene Regional Municipality Council



## Rally Sarma Welcomes Everyone!

For more than fifty years, we have been doing what we truly love and what lies close to our hearts - organising a winter rally. We do it with passion and dedication, and we are genuinely happy to welcome everyone who comes to enjoy what we have created, whether as a competitor or as a spectator. Everyone is welcome at Rally Sarma.

As every year, we have once again worked very carefully on the selection of roads for the special stages. At Rally Sarma 2026, we will offer the very essence of Gulbene region roads - exciting for both competitors and spectators alike. The stages will include a bit of the old, a bit of the new, some classic

sections and a few surprises. It will be exciting!

Of course, the most important thing is that winter does not let us down. If we have snow and ice, we will take care of the rest with heart and soul, ensuring that this becomes yet another fantastic rally in the winter rally capital of Gulbene.

As you already know, safety has always been our top priority. Therefore, I would like to remind everyone once again that safety on rally stages depends on all of us - and especially on spectators self-discipline. So far, we have been fortunate to have the very best spectators, and I sincerely hope this will always remain the case. We do not wish to impose excessive restrictions, but we ask everyone to remain alert, cautious and to look out for one another. Please remember that winter rallying is fast and unpredictable. Do not take your eyes off the rally cars, do not stand on the road while a rally car is approaching, and be especially careful when helping to push cars out of snowbanks.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to our supporters - especially the Gulbene region and its residents, as well as the outstanding entrepreneurs and farmers from our region and beyond - who help us continue doing what we love: creating true motorsport celebrations in Gulbene. Let us celebrate and enjoy them together!

Vilhelms Sniedzāns  
Rally Sarma Director

## Rally Overview

Dates: 6–7 February 2026

Special stages: 7

Total length of special stages: 97.75 km

Liaison distance: 185.01 km

Total distance: 282.76 km

Surface: Ice / Snow

### Plānotā maršruta karte / Primary Itinerary

Rally Opening / Rallija atklāšana						
Friday 6 February 2026 / Piektdiena 6.februāris 2026						
			Sunrise 08:02		Sunset 16:52	
TC	LOCATION	SS dist	Liaison dist	Total dist	Target time	1st car due
LK	VIETAS NOSAUKUMS	PS dist	Pārbrauciens	Kopā	Laika norma	1 a/m laiks
SP	Service Park					18:50
RO	Rally Opening		3,75	3,75	00:09	18:59

  

Start / Starts (Sections /Sekcijas 1,2,3)						
Saturday 7 February 2026 / Sestdiena 7.februāris 2026						
			Sunrise 08:00		Sunset 16:54	
TC	LOCATION	SS dist	Liaison dist	Total dist	Target time	1st car due
LK	VIETAS NOSAUKUMS	PS dist	Pārbrauciens	Kopā	Laika norma	1 a/m laiks
0	Rally Start					08:30
RZ 1	Refuel service park					
1			13,26	13,26	00:20	08:50
SS 1	SS 1	12,57				08:53
2			16,04	28,61	00:31	09:24
SS 2	SS 2	14,83				09:27
RZ 2	Remote refuel					
3			26,72	41,55	00:49	10:16
SS 3	SS 3	15,40				10:19
3A	Regroup - IN		20,78	36,18	00:37	10:56
	Regrouping				00:20	
3B	Regroup OUT / Service IN					11:16
	Service A Baltic Agro	42,80	76,80	119,60	00:40	
3C	Service OUT					11:56
RZ 3	Refuel service park					
4			13,26	13,26	00:20	12:16
SS 4	SS 4	12,57				12:19
5			16,04	28,61	00:31	12:50
SS 5	SS 5	14,83				12:53
RZ 4	Remote refuel					
6			26,72	41,55	00:49	13:42
SS 6	SS 6	15,40				13:45
6A	Regroup - IN		20,78	36,18	00:37	14:22
	Regrouping				00:20	
6B	Regroup OUT / Service IN					14:42
	Service B Baltic Agro	42,80	76,80	119,60	00:40	
6C	Service OUT					15:22
RZ 5	Refuel service park					
7			13,26	13,26	00:20	15:42
SS 7	SS 7	12,15				15:45
8	Rally Finish		18,15	30,30	00:32	16:17

  

TOTALS OF THE RALLY				
	SS	Liaison	Total	%
Overall Totals - 7 SS	97,75	185,01	282,76	35%

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