



# SPECTATOR GUIDE

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# 2nd EUROPEAN GAMES MINSK 2019

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## HI, FRIENDS!

I am Lesik, mascot of the 2nd European Games MINSK 2019. I invite you to Minsk to the main European sports celebration in 2019!

MINSK 2019 will bring together the finest athletes to promote Olympic values and unite all nations of Europe in a fair contest.

The Games will be a mix of the centuries-old Belarusian culture and ideals of the sporting movement.

I have prepared a lot of nice bright vytsinankas for the Games. Vytsynanka is the traditional Belarusian paper craft which has been chosen as a symbol of the Games.

The 2nd European Games logo is a colourful fern flower. Legends tell that the fern flower blossoms on the summer night of Ivan Kupala. The lucky ones to find it will have all their dreams come true. Athletes from all over Europe will gather in Minsk in June 2019 to follow their dreams and compete for the priceless trophy.

It is not only triumphs, record-breaking results and splendid shows that make this celebration bright – but your smiles, too. MINSK 2019 is for everyone! Your emotions will breathe life into the stadiums

and sports arenas. Your support will encourage the best athletes of Europe to be faster, stronger and higher.

See you in Minsk!

I invite you to join me to light the Flame of the Games on 21 June 2019 at DINAMO Stadium.

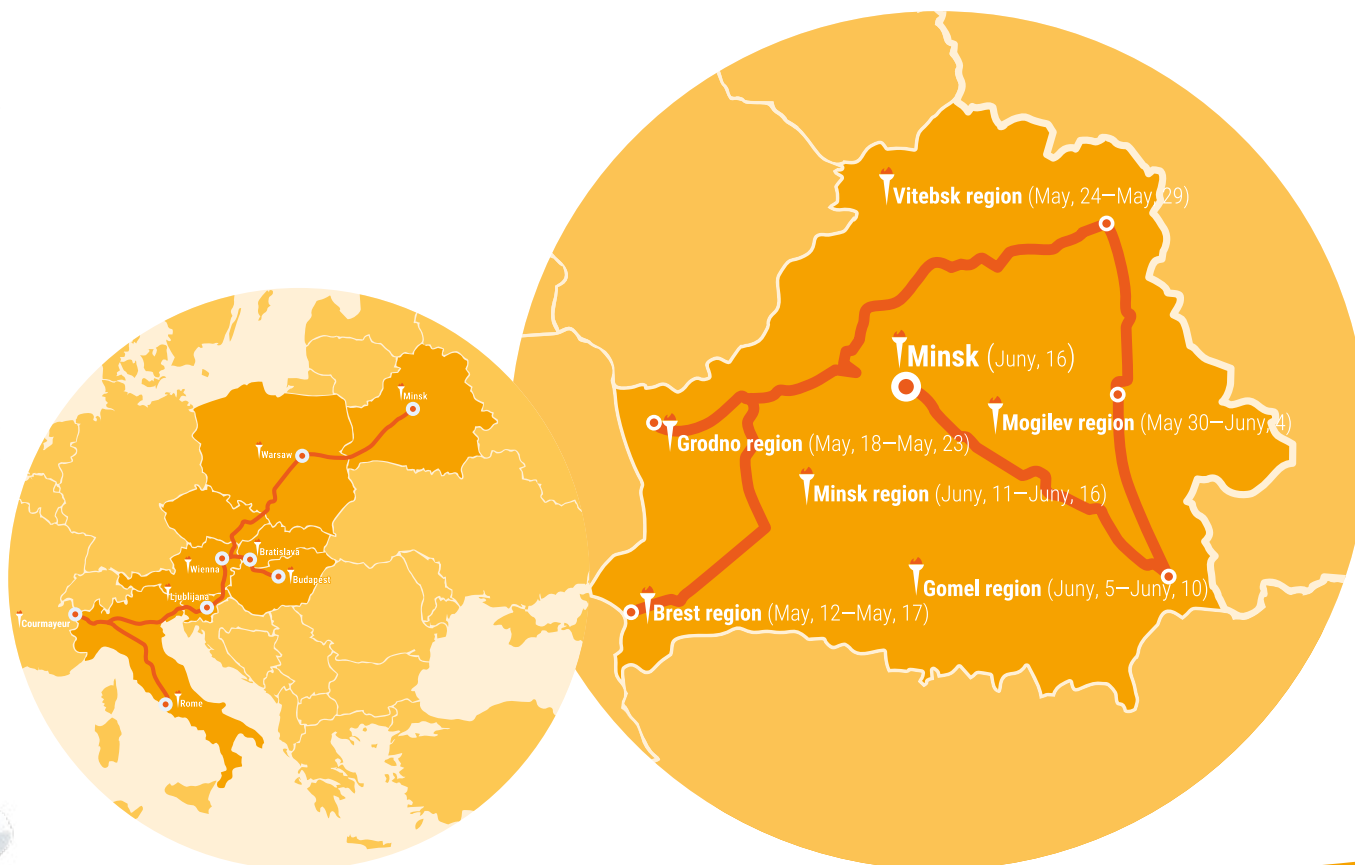
The Flame of Peace Torch Relay is one of the first events of MINSK 2019.

The Flame of Peace will be lit in Rome on 3 May 2019 and will travel a long way to arrive in Belarus. The Torch Relay will start at the museum of the Ara Pacis altar which is more than 2000 years old.

The Flame of Peace will ascend to the summit of Mont Blanc and then travel across Europe.

## TORCH RELAY KEY EVENTS:

1. Presentation of the torch, uniform and itinerary
2. Ceremony of lighting the Flame of Peace in Rome
3. Ascent to Mont Blanc
4. Flame of Peace journey across Europe
5. Ceremony of welcoming the Flame of Peace in Belarus
6. Shows in regional cities of Belarus
7. Ceremony at the Flag Square attended by the Belarusian President
8. Lighting of the DINAMO Stadium Cauldron





### BADMINTON

FALCON CLUB

Badminton is the fastest racquet sport, with shuttlecocks speeding up to 493 km/h.



### 3X3 BASKETBALL

PALOVA ARENA

3x3 Basketball became an Olympic sport on 9 June 2017 and, consequently, was included in the Tokyo 2020 programme.



### CYCLING – TRACK

MINSK ARENA VELODROME

The word "bicycle" was borrowed from French around 150 years ago while the invention of the device itself dates back two centuries.



### CYCLING – ROAD

OKTYABRSKAYA SQ. AND MINSK CITY CENTRE

One of the most peculiar aspects of cycling is shaving. Athletes are thought to shave their legs to make treatment of scratches and wounds easier. There is also a theory that shaved legs contribute to better aerodynamics.



### CANOE SPRINT

REGATTA COURSE ZASLAVL

The highest boat speed registered at canoe sprint competitions is 23 km/h.



### RHYTHMIC AND ACROBATIC GYMNASTICS

MINSK ARENA

Athletes can start training as early as at the age of two, but they need to be at least 16 to participate in the Olympics.



### TRAMPOLINE AND AEROBIC GYMNASTICS

MINSK ARENA

Trampoline became very popular in the USSR because it was used in training of astronauts.



### WRESTLING

SPORTS PALACE

The rules of Greco-Roman wrestling allow athletes to wrestle beyond the mat, and sometimes the bout continues in the spectator stands.



### JUDO

CHIZHOVKA ARENA

In pure numbers of aficionados, judo it is the second most popular sport in the world (after football). Different sources estimate that up to 28 million people practise judo, with 8 million adepts living in Japan.



### BOXING

URUCHIE SPORTS PALACE

The legends of boxing are heavyweights Sonny Liston, whose fists measured 38 cm around, and George Foreman, whose bicep was half a metre.







## KARATE

CHIZHOVKA ARENA

This martial art originated in China and was imported to Okinawa Island where it was named "karate", or "Chinese hand".



## ATHLETICS

DINAMO STADIUM

Athletes will compete in 10 disciplines in the following order: trackathlon, long jump (women), 100m (men), javelin throw (women), 100m (women), relay 4x400m (mixed), 110m hurdles (men), high jump (men), 100m hurdles (women) and distance pursuit relay (mixed). The final event – pursuit relay – will determine the winner of the team stage.



## TABLE TENNIS

TENNIS OLYMPIC CENTRE

Experts say that table tennis is among the world's top 10 popular sports. It attracts a total of about 850 million players and fans around the world.



## BEACH SOCCER

OLYMPIC SPORTS COMPLEX

In beach soccer, the ball is in the net every 3-4 minutes and there are about 60 shots on goal during the match.



## SHOOTING – RIFLE & PISTOL, SHOTGUN

SHOOTING CENTRE AND SPORTING CLUB

One of the three Olympic shotgun disciplines is skeet. An athlete on a skeet moves along shooting positions and fires at targets flying towards each other. The best result was scored by Mikola Milchev (Ukraine) who managed to hit 150 out of 150 targets.



## SAMBO

SPORTS PALACE

Sambo is a complex combat sport which merges the best practices of local martial arts: fist fight, different wrestling styles, Japanese judo and sumo and other types of single combats.



## ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS

MINSK ARENA

The word "gymnastics" derives from Greek γυμναστική [gymnastike], from γυμνάζω [gymnazo] – "to train, to exercise", or from Ancient Greek γυμνός [gymnos] – "naked".



## ARCHERY

OLYMPIC SPORTS COMPLEX

Matt Stutzman is an American archer who won a silver medal at the 2012 Paralympics. He was born without both arms, but learned to use his legs and feet in everyday activities.



ARENA	KIND OF SPORT	JUNE 21 Friday	JUNE 22 Saturday	JUNE 23 Sunday	JUNE 24 Monday	JUNE 25 Tuesday	JUNE 26 Wednesday	JUNE 27 Thursday	JUNE 28 Friday	JUNE 29 Saturday	JUNE 30 Sunday
Dinamo Stadium	Ceremonies	20.00 – 01.00 (Opening)									20.00 – 00.30 (Closing)
Olympic Sport Complex	Archery		09.00 – 19.00	09.00 – 19.10	09.00 – 17.00	09.00 – 17.00	09.00 – 16.20	09.00 – 16.20			
Dinamo Stadium	Athletics (Dynamic New Athletics)			12.00 – 22.00		14.20 – 22.00	17.40 – 22.00		18.00 – 20.20		
Falcon Club	Badminton				09.00 – 22.00	09.00 – 22.00	09.00 – 21.00	10.00 – 15.20	10.00 – 22.00 (full day)	10.00 – 15.40	12.00 – 16.00
								17.00 – 19.40	18.00 – 22.00 (evening)	18.00 – 21.00	
Palova Arena	3x3 Basketball	09.00 – 12.30 14.00 – 17.30	11.00 – 14.30 16.00 – 19.30	11.00 – 14.30 16.00 – 19.30	13.00 – 16.30 18.00 – 21.55						
Olympic Sport Complex	Beach Soccer					14.00 – 16.45 18.00 – 20.45	14.00 – 16.45 18.00 – 20.45	14.00 – 16.45 18.00 – 20.45	14.00 – 16.45 18.00 – 20.45	13.00 – 15.45 17.00 – 20.15	
Uruchie Sports Palace	Boxing	14.00 – 17.30	14.00 – 17.00 18.30 – 21.30	14.00 – 21.45	14.00 – 17.00 18.30 – 20.30	14.00 – 17.00 18.30 – 20.30	14.00 – 17.00 18.30 – 21.30		14.00 – 22.30	16.00 – 18.55	12.00 – 15.20
Regatta Course Zaslavl	Canoe Sprint					09.00 – 10.30 14.00 – 17.35	10.00 – 11.30 14.00 – 16.40				
Minsk City, Oktyabrskaya Sq.	Cycling – Road		12.30 – 15.30	12.00 – 17.00							
Minsk Arena Velodrome Minsk Arena	Cycling – Track							16.00 – 20.40	16.00 – 20.50	10.00 – 14.20 16.00 – 20.50	09.00 – 18.25 (full day) 14.00 – 18.25 (evening)
Minsk Arena	Gymnastics – Rhythmic and Acrobatic		14.00 – 19.05	14.00 – 19.00							
Minsk Arena	Trampoline				15.00 – 16.50	15.00 – 16.50					
Minsk Arena	Trampoline and Gymnastics – Acrobatic				19.00 – 21.00	19.00 – 21.00					
Minsk Arena	Gymnastics – Artistic							13.00 – 20.00		14.00 – 16.45	13.00 – 16.35
Chizhovka Arena	Judo		10.30 – 19.10 (full day) 17.00 – 19.10 (evening)	10.30 – 19.00 (full day) 17.00 – 19.00 (evening)	10.30 – 19.10 (full day) 17.00 – 19.10 (evening)	10.30 – 18.15 (full day) 16.00 – 18.15 (evening)					
Chizhovka Arena	Karate									09.00 – 13.50 15.30 – 19.05	09.00 – 13.25 15.00 – 18.15
Sports Palace	Sambo		10.00 – 14.00 17.00 – 20.50	10.00 – 14.00 17.00 – 20.50							
Shooting Centre and Sporting Club	Shooting – Rifle & Pistol, Shotgun		09.00 – 14.35 (2 venues)	09.00 – 18.30 (2 venues)	09.00 – 17.15 (2 venues)	09.00 – 14.45 Rifle & Pistol – Shooting Centre	09.00 – 16.40 (2 venues)	09.00 – 19.30 (2 venues)	09.00 – 16.15 (2 venues)		
Tennis Olympic Centre	Table Tennis		10.00 – 20.00	10.00 – 21.00	10.00 – 21.00	10.00 – 20.10	10.00 – 14.00	10.00 – 22.00	10.00 – 22.00	10.00 – 23.10 (full day)	
							16.00 – 20.20			17.00 – 23.10 (evening)	
Sports Palace	Wrestling					11.00 – 13.40 18.00 – 19.20	11.00 – 14.10 18.00 – 20.40	11.00 – 14.10 18.00 – 20.40	11.00 – 13.30 18.00 – 20.30	11.00 – 13.20 18.00 – 20.00	13.00 – 15.00

Opening and Closing Ceremonies

Elimination Rounds

Semifinal

Final

The schedule is subject to change. Please follow the updates on our website [www.minsk2019.by](http://www.minsk2019.by)



# VISITING THE GAMES

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Do you feel like plunging into the intense emotions of a heated match? Cannot wait to enjoy the spectacular shows of the Opening and Closing Ceremonies? Grab your ticket now!

## BUYING TICKETS

Starting 1 December 2018, tickets are available to fans worldwide at the official website **minsk2019.ticketpro.by**.

## TICKETING CENTRES AND TICKET OFFICES

Tickets are available at the official website **minsk2019.ticketpro.by** and at ticket offices in Minsk and regional centres of Belarus.

If you want to, you can exchange an e-ticket for a colourful paper ticket to keep as a souvenir.

### Main Ticketing Centre:

Minsk, 25 Masherova Ave., 1st floor lobby

### Open:

Mon–Fri: 09:00–19:00

Sat–Sun: 10:00–18:00

Tickets are sold at Evroset and Svyaznoy mobile phone stores.

The complete list of ticket offices is available on-line at

**minsk2019.ticketpro.by**

**Ticket offices** will be available at all competition venues. They will open one hour before and close one hour after the competitions.

See **minsk2019.ticketpro.by** for detailed information on opening hours and addresses of ticket offices.



## TAKE CARE OF YOUR TICKET

Make sure not to lose the tickets you purchased at the ticket office. If you lose the original ticket, it will not be reissued. Damaged tickets can be exchanged at the Main Ticketing Centre in Minsk and ticket offices at competition venues.

## RE-ENTRY IS PROHIBITED

If a sports session is less than 4 hours, the ticket does not permit re-entry to competitions and ceremonies. Once you leave the competition venue, you will not be allowed to re-enter using the same ticket.

If a sports session is longer than 4 hours, re-entry is allowed provided that you scan your ticket at the entrance.

## VENUE ACCESSIBILITY

MINSK 2019 will strive to be friendly to people with special needs by providing accessible seats and passageways to ensure comfort and the best experience for spectators.

There are the following types of allocated seats:

- Seats close to FoP – for people with visual impairments;
- Seats close to the aisles – for people with limited mobility (with canes or crutches) and people with visual impairments who use guide dogs.
- Dedicated platforms are available to spectators in wheelchairs, including with accompanying people.

Tickets for people with special needs can be purchased at [www.minsk2019.ticketpro.by](http://www.minsk2019.ticketpro.by), at the Main Ticketing Centre or ticket offices at competition venues.

## TICKETS



### OPENING CEREMONY

Category				Obstructed view
A	B	C	GA	
80–140 €	60–100 €	40–72 €	—	20–36 €



### CLOSING CEREMONY

Category				Obstructed view
A	B	C	GA	
64–120 €	48–80 €	32–60 €	—	16–30 €



## BADMINTON

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary				4.00 €	2.80 €	2.00 €	—	1.20 €
Finals				10.00 €	7.20 €	4.80 €	—	2.40 €



## BOXING

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary	●			4.80 €	4.00 €	2.80 €	—	1.60 €
Preliminary		●	●	7.20 €	5.60 €	4.00 €	—	2.40 €
Finals				12.00 €	8.00 €	4.80 €	—	3.60 €



## 3X3 BASKETBALL

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary	●			8.00 €	6.00 €	4.00 €	—	2.40 €
Preliminary		●	●	14.00 €	10.00 €	6.00 €	—	3.60 €
Finals				20.00 €	16.00 €	10.00 €	—	5.20 €



## WRESTLING

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary	●			4.80 €	4.00 €	2.80 €	—	1.60 €
Preliminary		●	●	7.20 €	5.60 €	4.00 €	—	2.40 €
Finals				12.00 €	8.00 €	4.80 €	—	3.60 €

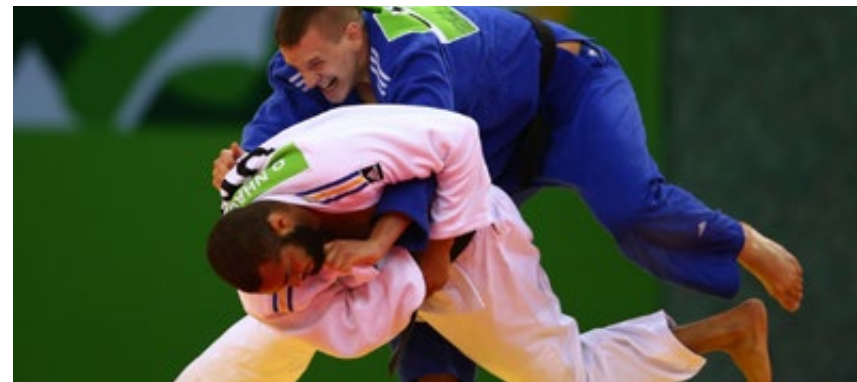






## CYCLING – TRACK

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary	●			4.80 €	4.00 €	2.80 €	–	1.60 €
Preliminary		●	●	7.20 €	5.60 €	4.00 €	–	2.40 €
Finals				12.00 €	8.00 €	4.80 €	–	3.60 €



## JUDO

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary				4.00 €	2.80 €	2.00 €	–	1.20 €
Finals				10.00 €	7.20 €	4.80 €	–	2.40 €



## RHYTHMIC AND ACROBATIC GYMNASTICS

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary	●			4.80 €	4.00 €	2.80 €	–	1.60 €
Preliminary		●	●	7.20 €	5.60 €	4.00 €	–	2.40 €
Finals				12.00 €	8.00 €	4.80 €	–	3.60 €



## CANOE SPRINT

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary	●			–	–	–	4.00 €	–
Preliminary		●	●	–	–	–	5.60 €	–
Finals				–	–	–	8.00 €	–





## KARATE

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary				4.00 €	2.80 €	2.00 €	—	1.20 €
Finals				10.00 €	7.20 €	4.80 €	—	2.40 €



## TABLE TENNIS

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary	●			—	—	—	4.00 €	—
Preliminary		●	●	—	—	—	5.60 €	—
Finals				—	—	—	8.00 €	—



## ATHLETICS

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary	●			4.80 €	4.00 €	2.80 €	—	1.60 €
Preliminary		●	●	7.20 €	5.60 €	4.00 €	—	2.40 €
Finals				12.00 €	8.00 €	4.80 €	—	3.60 €



## SHOOTING – RIFLE & PISTOL, SHOTGUN

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Finals				—	—	—	6 €	—







## SHOOTING – RIFLE & PISTOL (1st SESSION)

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Finals				—	—	—	2.80 €	—



## SAMBO

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary				4.00 €	2.80 €	2.00 €	—	1.20 €
Finals				10.00 €	7.20 €	4.80 €	—	2.40 €



## BEACH SOCCER

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary	●			8.00 €	6.00 €	4.00 €	—	2.40 €
Preliminary		●	●	14.00 €	10.00 €	6.00 €	—	3.60 €
Finals				20.00 €	16.00 €	10.00 €	—	5.20 €



## ARCHERY

Qualification, competition's day				Category				Obstructed view
	Working day	Working day, evening	Weekend	A	B	C	GA	
Preliminary				—	—	—	2.80 €	—
Finals				—	—	—	6.00 €	—





## Visiting Belarus visa-free for ticketholders

**10 June — 10 July 2019** enjoy visa-free period with your ticket through any border of Belarus.

**A visa-free traveler must have:**

1. Valid national passport
2. Ticket for the 2nd European Games
3. Medical insurance of 10.000 euro (can be purchased on site)
4. Daily monetary allowance – at least 2 base amounts\* for each day of stay

### Visiting Belarus visa-free with ordinary passports

	Azerbaijan
	Argentina (up to 90 days)
	Armenia
	Brazil (up to 90 days)
	Venezuela (up to 90 days)
	Georgia
	Israel (up to 90 days in each period of 180 days)
	Kazakhstan
	Qatar (up to 30 days)
	People's Republic of China (30 days but no longer than 90 days within one calendar year)
	Cuba (up to 30 days)
	Kyrgyzstan
	Moldova
	Mongolia (up to 90 days)
	the United Arab Emirates (up to 30 days)
	Russia
	Serbia (up to 30 days)
	Tajikistan
	Turkey (up to 30 days)
	Uzbekistan
	Ukraine
	Montenegro (up to 30 days, an invitation/travel voucher is required)
	Ecuador (up to 30 days)

### TRAVEL BY CAR WITH NO TOLL!

Owners of the vehicles no more than 3,5 tons of weight and trailers towed by them are exempted from the fare on toll roads from June 10 to July 10 upon presentation of a ticket. More information at [www.minsk2019.by](http://www.minsk2019.by)



Citizens of 74 countries can stay in Belarus without visa from June 10 till July 10, including the arrival and departure days

### LIST OF COUNTRIES WHOSE CITIZENS ARE EXEMPT FROM VISA REQUIREMENTS VISITS TO BELARUS

	Australia		The Republic of Macedonia
	Austria		Malaysia
	Albania		Malta
	Andorra		United Mexican States
	Antigua and Barbuda		Federated States of Micronesia
	Barbados		Monaco
	Bahrain		Namibia**
	Belgium		Netherlands
	Bulgaria		Nicaragua
	Bosnia and Herzegovina		New Zealand
	Vanuatu		Norway
	Vatican		Oman
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland		Panama
	Hungary		Peru
	Vietnam**		Poland
	Haiti**		Portugal
	Gambia**		Romania
	Germany		Samoa**
	Greece		San Marino
	Denmark		Saudi Arabia
	Dominica		Seychelles
	India**		Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
	Indonesia		Singapore
	Ireland		Slovakia
	Iceland		Slovenia
	Spain		United States of America
	Italy		Uruguay
	Canada		Finland
	Cyprus		France
	People's Republic of China**		Croatia
	Korea (Republic)		Czech Republic
	Kuwait		Chile
	Latvia		Sweden
	Lebanon**		Switzerland
	Lithuania		El Salvador
	Liechtenstein		Estonia
	Luxembourg		Japan

\*A base amount is equal to 10 euro

\*\*A traveler must have a valid document for traveling abroad with a valid multiple-entry visa of one of the European Union member states or the Schengen Area member states bearing a European Union or Schengen Area entry stamp, and also tickets with a return date from Minsk National Airport



Convenient location of Minsk means it will not take you more than three hours to get here from any city in Europe, Central Russia or the Middle East.



## BY PLANE

60 direct flights operated by 19 airlines. The road from the airport to the centre of Minsk takes less than an hour (42km).



## BY TRAIN

If you travel by train, you arrive at Minsk Passazhyrsky Railway Station (3, Privokzalnaya Square) which is centrally located.

Average travel time: from Vilnius – 2.5h; from Moscow – 9 to 10h; from Kiev – 10h; from Warsaw – 10h; from Riga – 12 h; from St. Petersburg – 13 to 14h.

Ploshchad Lenina metro station is right under the railway station.



## BY BUS

International buses arrive at the Central Bus Station (6, Bobruiskaya St.).

Average travel time: from Vilnius – 3-4h; from Moscow – 11 to 12h; from Kiev – 11 to 12h; from Warsaw – 11h; from Riga – 10h; from St. Petersburg – 14h.

Ploshchad Lenina metro station is close to the Central Bus Station.



## BY CAR

If you are a car enthusiast, a well-developed network of roads will take you from the border to Minsk in slightly more than 3 hours. Passenger cars (with gross vehicle mass up to 3.5t) will be exempt from toll on all toll roads in Belarus from 10 June to 10 July 2019. For more information please see [www.beltoll.by](http://www.beltoll.by).

# ABOUT THE VENUES

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## DINAMO STADIUM

Sports:



Athletics



Address:  
Minsk, 8 Kirova St.



Seating Capacity:  
22 240

It has been the main sports arena of Belarus since 1934. Since then, the Stadium has experienced a lot, including the reconstruction after World War II, 1980 Olympics football tournament and renovation for the 2nd European Games 2019.



Yulia  
Nestsiaienka

Belarusian sprinter Yuliya Nesterenko, who was dubbed "White Lightning", won the women's 100 metres at the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens. Her splendid victory and the result of 10.93s caught the attention of the whole world.

At the moment, the brightest Belarusians in athletics are Anastasiya Mironchik-Ivanova (long jump), Alina Talay and Elvira German (100m hurdle race), Pavel Seliverstov and Maxim Nedosekov (high jump).



## CHIZHOVKA ARENA

Sports:



Judo



Karate



Address:  
Minsk, 19 Tashkentskaya St.



Seating Capacity:  
8 800

Fitting into the neighbourhood of the Chizhovskoye Reservoir, the sports complex consists of the big arena (8,807 seats) and the small arena (443 seats) that resemble two water droplets flowing into each other.



Ihor  
Makarau

At the 2004 Olympics, Belarus won a gold medal in judo when Igor Makarov proved to be the best in light heavyweight -100kg.

Today, leaders of the Belarusian team are European Championship medallist Dmitry Shershen, Junior World Champion Vadim Shoka and European Champion Maryna Slutskaia.

Mariya Koulinkvich, Alexey Vodchits, Maria Fursova, Aleksandra Fursova and Andrei Grinevich are European & World Karate Championships medallists.



## MINSK ARENA

### Sports:

-  Gymnastics Trampoline
-  Gymnastics Aerobic
-  Gymnastics Acrobatic
-  Gymnastics Artistic
-  Gymnastics Rhythmic

 Address:  
Minsk, 111 Pobediteley Ave.

 Seating Capacity:  
15 000

It is one of the largest high-tech, cultural and sports venues in Europe and an outstanding example of modern architecture of Belarus.

Minsk Arena includes the Velodrome, Speed Skating Stadium and main Ice Arena. The Arena can be easily reconfigured to host different sporting and cultural events.



Vitaly  
Scherbo

Vitaly Scherbo is one of the most successful gymnasts of all time; he is the only male gymnast ever to have won 6 gold medals (all at the 1992 Summer Olympics in Barcelona).

Today, leader of the Belarusian rhythmic gymnastics is Katsiaryna Halkina, medallist of World and European Championships.

Uladzislau Hancharou is 2016 Rio Olympic champion in men's individual trampoline.



## MINSK ARENA VELODROME

### Sports:

-  Cycling Track

 Address:  
Minsk, 111B Pobediteley Ave.

 Seating Capacity:  
2 000

One of Europe's best cycling tracks was built in Minsk in 2009. It is 250m long and 7.5m wide, with two bends at 41 degrees. The wood is Siberian spruce.



Natallia  
Tsylynskaya

Natalia Tsylynskaya is an outstanding persona in world track cycling. She is an eight-time World Champion, Olympic bronze medallist and 28-time World Cup winner.

Today Evgeny Korolek is the leader of the Belarusian team. In 2018, Korolek was World Champion in scratch and took the first place in the overall standings of the UCI World Cup 2016/2017.



## SPORTS PALACE

### Sports:



Wrestling



Sambo



Address:  
Minsk, 4 Pobediteley Ave.



Seating Capacity:  
3 300

Opening of Sports Palace in 1966 commenced formation of the sports axis of Minsk – today's Pobediteley Avenue (which means "Winners' Avenue"). In 1984, Sports Palace was included in the List of Historical and Cultural Monuments of Belarus.

Sports Palace can host competitions in 22 different sports as well as turn into a venue for concerts, shows and exhibitions.

Belarus won three medals at Rio 2016 Olympics: silver of Maria Mamoshuk and bronze of Ibrahim Saidau and Javid Hamzatau.

Tatsiana Matsko, Stepan Popov, Andrei Kazusenok, Olga Namazova, Uladzislau Burdz, Yury Rybak and Katsiaryna Prakapenka are winners of international competitions and European Sambo Championships.



## PALOVA ARENA

### Sports:



3x3 Basketball



Address:  
Minsk, 4A Pobediteley Ave.



Seating Capacity:  
1 000

This new sports arena in the very centre of Minsk has hosted international competitions since 2015.

"Palova" means "half" in Belarusian. It is the key term in 3x3 Basketball, since the game is played on one half of the court with one basket.

Anastasia Suschik and Anna Lappo are silver medallists of the 2015 FIBA 3x3 U18 European Championships.





## FALCON CLUB

Sports:



Badminton



Address:  
Minsk, 20 Pobediteley Ave.



Seating Capacity:  
2 000

It is one of the newest modern sports and entertainment facilities in Minsk. The building resembles a soaring falcon that has spread its wings above Pobediteley Avenue and the River Svisloch.

Anastasiya Chernyavskaya and Alesia Zaitsava are European and World Championships medallists and winners of international competitions in badminton.



## SPORTING CLUB

Sports:



Shooting  
Shotgun



Address:  
Minsk, 193 Nezavisimosti Ave



Seating Capacity:  
300

The venue was opened in 2003, and since January 2005 it has been the Olympic training base for the Belarusian national team in shotgun shooting. Sporting Club is considered to be one of the best shooting clubs in Europe.





## SHOOTING CENTRE

### Sports:



Shooting Rifle



Shooting Pistol



Address:  
Minsk, 195 Nezavisimosti Ave.



Seating Capacity:  
150

The shooting range history is associated with the outstanding Semen Timoshenko, Marshal of the Soviet Union, two-time Hero of the Soviet Union.

The Arena may host 100, 200 and 300 metre events simultaneously.



Siarhei Martynau

Belarusian athlete Siarhei Martynau won a gold medal in shooting at the 2012 London Olympic Games. He won bronze medals at the 2000 Summer Olympics in Sydney and 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens.

He is also three-time world champion. He reached the maximum score of 600 points six times in 15 years in the 50m rifle prone events (1997, 1998, 2000, 2005, 2006, 2012).



## OLYMPIC SPORTS COMPLEX

### Sports:



Beach Soccer



Archery



Address:  
Minsk, 2a Surganova St.



Seating Capacity:  
500

The Olympic Sports Complex comprises the following facilities: football fields with different surfaces, Palace of Water Sports and Sports and Recreation Centre. The Olympic Sports Complex successfully operates as a training venue used by Belarusian athletes and provides recreational services for the public.

Anton Prilepov, Alexander Lyagushev, Hanna Marusava, Alena Tolkach, Ekaterina Timofeyeva are winners of international competitions and European Archery Championships.



## TENNIS OLYMPIC CENTRE

### Sports:



Table  
Tennis



Address:  
Minsk, 63 Pobediteley Ave.



Seating Capacity:  
500

The centre is one of the key sports facilities of Belarus. It is used for training of athletes and holding tennis competitions. Its three buildings have a total area of 27,600m<sup>2</sup> — the centre takes up 5.8 hectares.



Vladimir  
Samsonov

Vladimir Samsonov is a legend in table tennis. He is a multiple winner of European Championships and three-time winner of the World Cup, winner of 27 ITTF World Tour events and ITTF World tour Grand Finals (1997), nine-time winner of the European Champions League. In 1998, the athlete ranked first in the world's men's singles rating. On top of that, Samsonov holds several world records in table tennis.



## URUCHIE SPORTS PALACE

### Sports:



Boxing



Address:  
Minsk, 196 Nezavisimosti Ave.



Seating Capacity:  
3 000 человек

This modern building includes the main arena (3000 seats) and two training grounds which provide comfortable seating for 300 spectators.

Belarusian boxers Magomed Aripgadzhiev and Viktor Zuyev are silver medallists of the 2004 Summer Olympics.

Current leaders of the Belarusian boxing team are Dzmitry Asanau (2015 European Games silver medallist), Pavel Kastramin (2015 European Championships silver medallist), and Yana Burim and Viktoria Kebikova, 2018 European Championships bronze medallists.





## REGATTA COURSE ZASLAVL

### Sports:



Kayak



Canoe



Address:  
Zaslavl, 1 Gonolez St.



Seating Capacity:  
150

Regatta Course ZASLAVL was opened in 2006. Following the renovation in 2011, it became a national training facility.

Traditionally, canoe sprint is a rewarding sport for Belarus. Belarusian gold medallists are Dmitri Dovgalenok (Barcelona 1992), Aleksandr Maseikov (Barcelona 1992), Aliaksei Abalmasau, Artur Litvinchuk, Vadzim Makhneu, Raman Piatrushenka, Aliaksandr and Andrei Bahdanovich (Beijing 2008). Brothers Alexander and Andrey Bogdanovich are 2012 London silver medallists.

At the Rio Olympics, Belarusian women's K4 – Margarita Makhneva, Nadezhda Lepeshko, Olga Khudenko, Marina Litvinchuk – won a bronze medal.



## OKTYBRSKAYA SQUARE AND MINSK CITY CENTRE

### Sports:



Cycling.  
Road



Address:  
Minsk, Independence Ave.



Seating Capacity:  
500

Oktyabrskaya Square is located in the centre of Minsk and is limited by Nezavisimosti Ave., Engelsa St. and Internatsionalnaya St. The square is 190m long and 100m wide. The east side of square features the building of the Trade Union Palace of Culture.



Vasili  
Kiryienka

Vasili Kiryienka is a medallist and multiple winner of UCI Road World Championships as well as champion of the 2015 European Games in Baku. Currently, he races for Sky Procycling Team.






## FOR YOUR COMFORT AND SECURITY

Be prepared that competition venues will be visited by large numbers of people. Arrive in advance to allow enough time for entrance formalities.

The venues will be open 1.5–2h prior to competitions. See [www.minsk2019.by](http://www.minsk2019.by) for precise opening times of the competition venues. Food & beverage points, photo zones with mascots, kiosks with official souvenirs and clothing as well as entertainment areas will be open prior to competitions.

Your health and safety is paramount. To ensure safety & security, all venue visitors will pass security inspection.

To save time and avoid looking for a locker, please DO NOT bring with you:

-  • Any glass or other containers **bigger than 0.5l**
-  • **Food and drinks including alcoholic beverages.** You may bring baby food if you attend the event with an infant.
-  • **Umbrellas** longer than 25cm when closed
-  • **Animals**, except for guide dogs (provided that the person has proper medical certificates)
-  • **Medication** (more than 1 package / 3 types).

The complete list of prohibited items and substances is available at the official website [www.minsk2019.by](http://www.minsk2019.by)

## TIPS FOR VISITING COMPETITION VENUES

Before arriving at the stadium, please check for updates in the competition schedule and the fan zone opening hours.

You will have to purchase a ticket for each competition. If you have not purchased tickets in advance, they will be sold at ticket offices located near each competition venue as well as at the official ticket operator's ticket offices.

Please keep in mind that due to security checks there will be queues at the entrance.

Please do not obstruct entrances and main passages.

### SERVICES AVAILABLE AT EACH VENUE:



**Ticket office** near the competition venue entrance. Check ticket office opening hours at [www.minsk2019.by](http://www.minsk2019.by)



**Information Desk** where you can request any information about events and the venue



**Registration of children.** You can register your child at the Information Desk where they will be given a wrist band with your contact details in case the child gets lost



**Lost & Found** On competition days, all found items will be stored at the Information Desk until claimed by owners.

After competitions, the remaining items will be transferred to storage rooms located near the entrance outside the venue territory



**Food and Beverages.** Dining facilities will operate at each competition venue. Payments can be made both in cash or by card.

## Relax.by

**Taste of Belarus.** A mobile app Relax.by is guide for those who want to learn more about Belarusian cuisine and places where to taste it. Ratings, reviews, online reservations.



**Official souvenirs.** You can buy our official souvenirs at fan zones and competition venues to keep them as mementos.



**Medical services.** Medical rooms and mobile ambulance units will be operating at each competition venue. If necessary, contact any employee or volunteer.

## + 103.BY

It is quick search for medicines in pharmacies, as well as location of all medical centers and dental clinics on the map. We recommend to install mobile app **103.by**. Available on the App Store and Google play



### Venue accessibility for persons with special needs.

If necessary, our volunteers will escort you from the parking area to your seat. The venues are equipped with ramps and elevators. When booking a ticket, please provide contact details if you need a helper.

## ATTENTION!



**Venues are smoke & tobacco-free. Please note that smoking inside and near the competition venues is prohibited.**

## EMERGENCY HOTLINES:

<b>Main emergency hotline</b>	<b>112</b>
Rescue Service	<b>101</b>
Police (Militsiya)	<b>02</b>
Emergency Medical Service	<b>103</b>

## ENQUIRY SERVICES:

Belarusian Railways enquiries	<b>105</b>
Air ticket offices	<b>106</b>
Bus station enquiries	<b>114</b>
Minsk telephone directory enquiries	<b>109</b>
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Minsk city enquiries service	<b>168</b>
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Long-distance telephone calls service	<b>171</b>
International telephone calls service	<b>180</b>
Infoline	<b>185</b>

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Technicians and vehicle recovery	<b>135</b>
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**10. FAN ZONES**

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The 2nd European Games 2019 are, first and foremost, a festival. It is a celebration for Minsk residents, visitors and tourists who can enjoy hospitality of special fan zones at the Games time.

Four fan zones in Minsk and seven fan zones in major cities of Belarus will be open from 9 am till late night.

In the fan zones, you can share the joy of bright victories as all competition sessions, Opening and Closing Ceremonies will be broadcast live on big screens.

## FAN ZONE WILL FEATURE:



Best Belarusian singers and bands



Spacious food courts with national and European cuisine



Entertainment contests and events



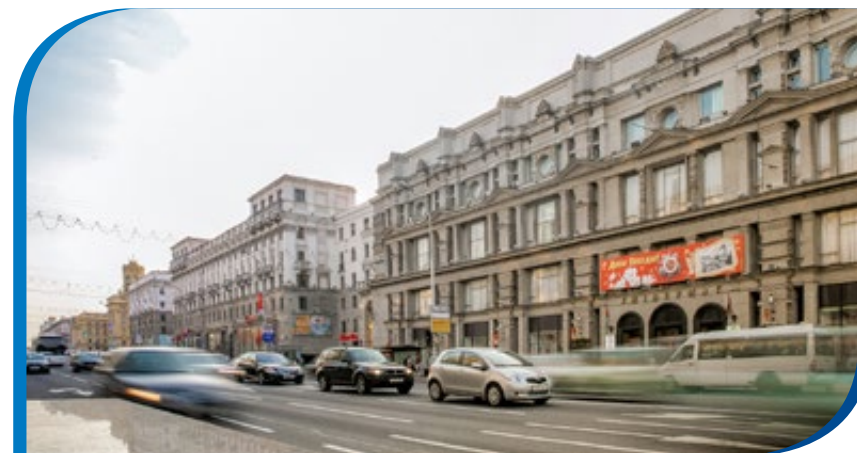
Fans from different countries having a great time!







**Svobody Square** – administrative, cultural and trade centre of the city in the 16th-20th centuries – is the location of many historical buildings.



**Nezavisimosti (Independence)** Avenue has become the face of Minsk rebuilt after World War II. It features one of the world's best ensembles of Soviet monumental classicist architecture known as Stalin's Empire style.



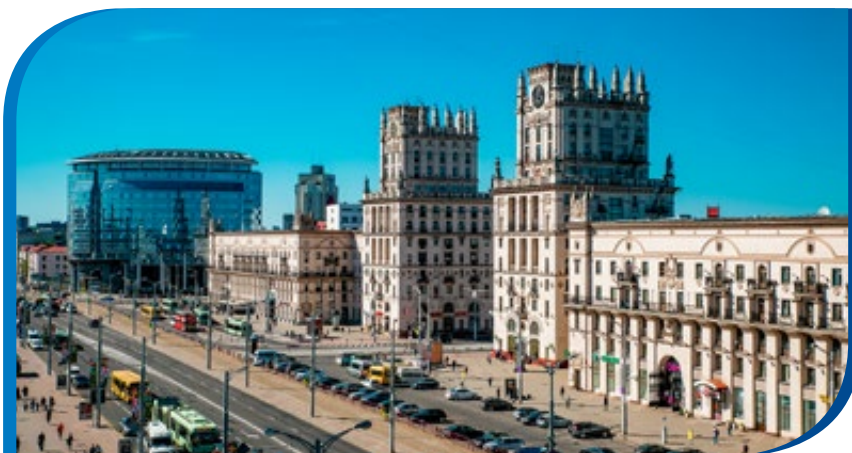
**Trinity Suburb** is a cosy city quarter with numerous cafes, museums, souvenir shops and bright houses of the 19th & early 20th century.



**Nezavisimosti Square** is one of the country's main administrative areas; featuring the House of Government, neo-Gothic Church of Saints Simon and Helena (also known as the Red Church) as well as Art Nouveau style houses.







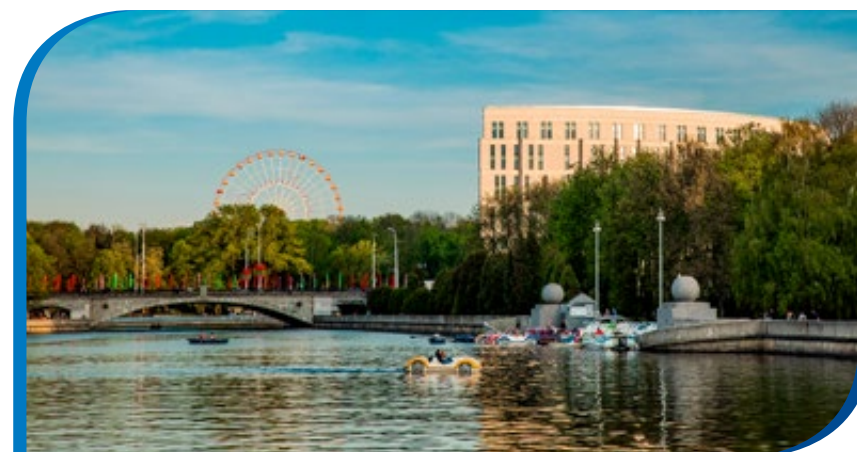
The **City Gate** is two 11-storey towers that dominate Privokzalnaya square. They have become a symbol of the 2nd European Games 2019 and the hospitable nature of the Belarusian people.



**Pobedy (Victory) Square** embodies the unwavering will and undaunted spirit of the Belarusian people.



The **Bolshoi Theatre of Belarus** is the only opera house and the largest theatre in Belarus. The building was built in the pre-war Soviet constructivism style.



**Central Gorky Park** is an area stretched on 28 hectares with 60 local species of trees and shrubs. Here you can ride roller-coasters, hide in the shade from the summer heat or feed the numerous river ducks.





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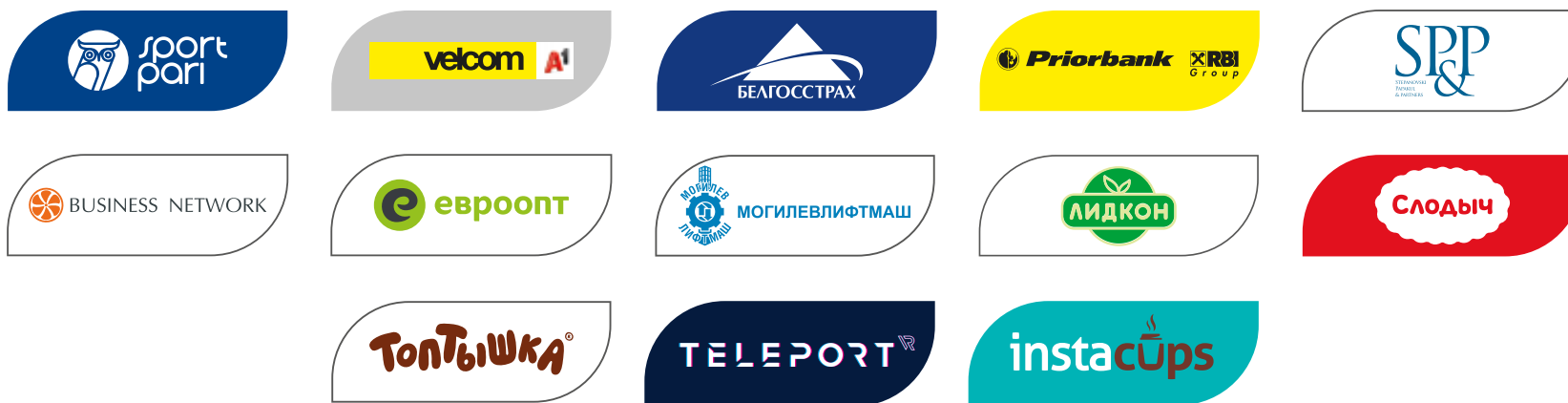
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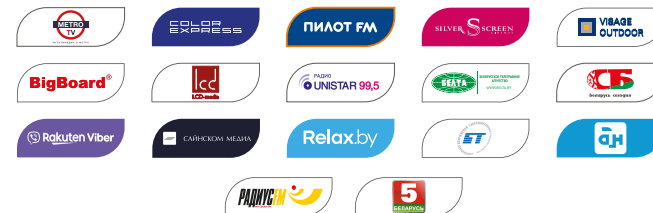
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