

# **BULLETIN 4** — Additional Event Information

World Ski Orienteering Championships
Junior World Ski Orienteering Championships
European Youth Ski Orienteering Championships

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#### 1 Welcome to Styria and Ramsau am Dachstein



Ladies and Gentlemen!

Styria has always been an enthusiastic sports region - but above all it is also a land of winter sports. From the Night Slalom to the Ski Flying World Championships and the numerous Nordic competitions in Ramsau am Dachstein, major winter sports events of international standing regularly take place in Styria.

I am therefore extremely pleased that the green heart is once again the venue for a top sporting event with the World Ski Orienteering Championships and the European and World Championships in ski orienteering for young people. Ideal conditions, a fantastic panorama and Styrian hospitality at its best - Ramsau am Dachstein will once again present itself as the ideal host and offer the World Championships in ski orienteering the ideal conditions for fair and exciting competitions.

I wish all the athletes a lot of success in Ramsau am Dachstein and the visitors exciting competitions at the Ski Orienteering World Championships.

A Styrian "Glück auf" (good luck)!

## Christopher Drexler

Governor of Styria



Dear athletes! Dear fans of ski orienteering!

As the Styrian State Councillor for Sports, I am delighted that we will be welcoming the best ski orienteers from all over the world to the World Ski Orienteering Championships (WSOC), the Junior World Ski Orienteering Championships (JWSOC) and the European Youth Ski Orienteering Championships (EYSOC) in the beautiful municipality of Ramsau am Dachstein from 21 to 27 January 2024.

A total of 255 athletes will be navigating the winding trails of the cross-country ski tracks, demonstrating their skills in skiing technique, endurance and orienteering while experiencing the beautiful nature of the region.

The three major events will help to promote the sporting spirit and strengthen cohesion in the global ski orienteering community. I would like to thank all those involved from the Austrian Orienteering Federation, Ski-O Austria and the municipality of Ramsau am Dachstein for organizing these events.

To all participants, I wish you great success and an injury-free competition!

#### Karlheinz Kornhäusl

Styrian State Councillor for Health, Care and Sports



As Regional Minister of Tourism, I warmly welcome all the fans of Nordic skiing and in particular the athletes to Styria, the green heart of Austria. The fantastic cross-country skiing area of Ramsau offers the ideal conditions for the World Ski Orienteering Championship. So I wish you all exciting competitions in the breathtaking nature of Styria and I hope you enjoy our hospitality. I wish all the participants a lot of success and an unforgettable time in our region.

**Barbara Eibinger-Miedl**Minister of Tourism of the Federal State of Styria



Dear competitors and organisers,

It is my honour and pleasure to welcome you on behalf of the International Orienteering Federation to the IOF World Ski Orienteering Championships, Junior World Ski Orienteering Championships and European Youth Ski Orienteering Championships.

Welcome to the Alps, where the World Championships were last held 26 years ago. Today's ski orienteering is quite different from ski orienteering

at World Championships in 1998 in Windischgarsten, Austria. We have made our sport more sustainable and adopted it to the changed climatic, economic, social, etc conditions. Our competition program is more compact, more attractive for participants, organisers, sponsors, and spectators. Thanks to television broadcasts, it is possible to follow our championships in several countries.

I want to thank the organisers and sponsors of the event and hope that your preparatory work will bring a result in the form of a fantastic competition. It is a significant risk to organize any kind of ski competitions in changing climate conditions. Thank you in advance on behalf of the IOF and I wish you good luck in delivering of the competitions!

The World Championships are always the special event, and the Alpine terrain is not an everyday competition arena for many, especially young athletes. This could bring more unpredictability and perhaps surprises in the results. I wish all athletes success in achieving their goals. I wish the entire ski orienteering community the best of luck for your biggest event of 2024! Enjoy ski orienteering week in the Austrian Alps!

**Leho Haldna** IOF President



The World Ski Orienteering Championships will take place from January 23rd to 27th, 2024, in Ramsau am Dachstein. As a proud organizer, the Austrian Orienteering Federation is committed to making this event an unforgettable experience for athletes and coaches from 18 nations. The impressive backdrop of the Dachstein and the excellently prepared trail network, which has already been utilized in numerous FIS events, will contribute to this goal.

With the simultaneous staging of the Junior World Ski Orienteering Championships and the European Youth Ski Orienteering Championships, this event provides the ideal platform to promote togetherness, establish connections, and form friendships.

To all participants, I wish not only success but also a great deal of joy and fun during these competitions.

Warm regards and best wishes,

#### **Robert Ditz**

Austrian Orienteering Federation (ÖFOL)



Welcome athletes, team leaders, officials, spectators, organizers and guests to the World Championships, the Junior World Championship and the European Youth Championship in ski-orienteering!

On behalf of the Austrian Orienteering federation and as the head of the organizing team I am very honored that the Austrian federation host these three international events.

We are dedicated and ready to do our best to arrange exciting, prominent and fun competitions under visible and fair conditions. The joy of organizing, being hosts and offering everyone involved a carefree and cool week, celebrating Ski-O was the starting point of our considerations. So let us celebrate and concentrate on that one thing, that brings us together at that perfect spot in Styria: Ski Orienteering.

I want to thank the community of Ramsau am Dachstein and all our supporters for their enthusiasm and hard work in preparation of these events and wish everyone a perfect week, that brings all the preparations and hard work of the last year to the desired goal. May our dreams come true.

#### Josef Zapletal

Chairman of Austrian Ski-O Commission **Event Director** 

### 2 Event Organization

Austrian Orienteering Federation Ski-O Austria Municipality of Ramsau am Dachstein

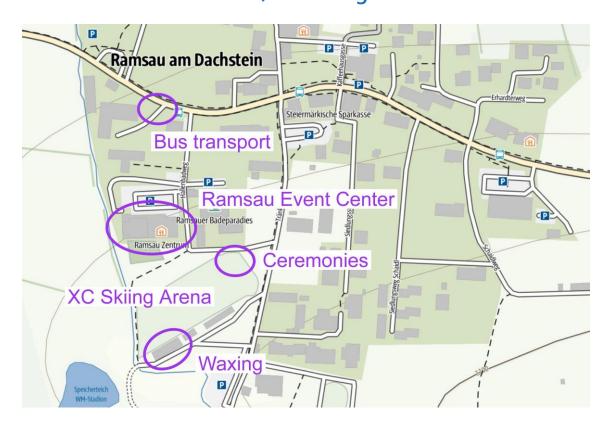
**Event Director:** Josef Zapletal

Senior Event Advisor: Christian Spoerry (SUI)

Assistant Event Advisor: Markku Vauhkonen (FIN)

National Controller: Adrian Wickert

### 3 Ramsau Event Center / XC Skiing Arena - Overview



#### 4 Event Office

The event office is located in the Event Center Ramsau, Ramsau 350, 8972 Ramsau am Dachstein, GPS coordinates: 47.420165, 13.652803 – <u>Link to Google Maps</u>

Office E-Mail office@ski-o.at

**Office Phone** +43 664 448 71 74

**Opening Hours**See event timetable

**Opening hours:** See daily schedule below.

# 5 Summary of Entries Received

## 5.1 WSOC

Federation	Men	Women	Officials	Total
Austria	3	1	2	6
Bulgaria	1	3	1	5
<b>Czechia</b>	8	2	3	13
<b>■</b> Denmark	1	-	1	2
Estonia	4	6	1	11
<b>←</b> Finland	6	6	6	18
Germany	1	1	-	2
■■ Italy	1	1	-	2
Japan	5	2	2	9
Kazakhstan	4	1	-	5
<b>L</b> atvia	1	-	1	2
Lithuania	4	-	-	4
<b>H</b> Norway	8	7	3	18
■ Romania	3	-	-	3
Sweden	7	7	4	18
Switzerland	8	4	2	14
Ukraine	1	1	-	2
United States	2	-	-	2
Sum	68	42	26	136

#### 5.2 JWSOC

Federation	Men	Women	Officials	Total
Austria	3	2	1	6
Bulgaria	2	1	1	4
<b>Czechia</b>	6	6	3	15
<b>■</b> Denmark	1	-	-	1
Estonia	4	3	1	8
<b>←</b> Finland	6	6	2	14
Germany	1	-	-	1
■■ Italy	1	-	1	2
<b>L</b> atvia	3	3	1	7
Lithuania	1	-	-	1
<b>H</b> Norway	6	6	2	14
■ Romania	1	-	1	2
Sweden	5	5	3	13
Switzerland	3	1	2	6
Ukraine	1	1	-	2
United States	-	1	-	1
Sum	44	35	18	97

### 5.3 EYSOC

Federation	Men	Women	Officials	Total
Austria	1	2	1	4
Bulgaria	2	1	-	3
<b>Czechia</b>	6	6	3	15
Estonia	6	1	1	8
<b>←</b> Finland	4	4	1	9
Germany	2	-	1	3
■ Italy	3	2	1	6
<b>L</b> atvia	5	4	1	10
Lithuania	-	2	-	2
Sweden	1	1	-	2
Switzerland	3	3	2	8
Ukraine	6	-	1	7
United States	1	-	1	2
Sum	40	26	13	79

### 6 Overview Map



The finish arena for all races is the XC Skiing Arena in Ramsau, close to the town center.

The start for the Sprint is reachable directly from the arena. The starts for the Pursuit / Long Distance and Middle Distance races are located a few kilometers outside the arena; transport to these by bus is offered. The start for the relay races is directly in the arena.

#### **GPS** coordinates:

Model: Google Maps link

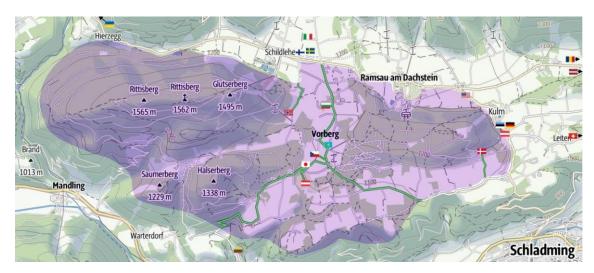
Pursuit / Long: Google Maps link

Middle: Google Maps link

There is no parking at the starts of the Pursuit / Long and the Middle, only drop-off.

#### 7 Embargoed Area

Depicted below the currently embargoed area, valid until further notice, with all team accommodations shown. Driving/running/walking on the roads marked green is allowed.



The areas outside the embargo are open for training.

Access to the waxing cabins and the official ski testing area is allowed.

#### 8 Accreditation

All participants – athletes and team officials – receive an official WSOC JWSOC EYSOC 2024 accreditation.

The accreditation is a valid ticket for use of the cross-country skiing tracks in the entirety of the Ramsau plateau (the accreditation must be carried when using the tracks).

## 9 Sunday, Jan. 21st 2024 – Arrival

#### 9.1 Day schedule

Office hours	Program			
09:00 - 12:00	During opening hours:			
16:00 - 18:00	Pick up accreditation & SIACs			
	Pick up waxing room keys			
	Hand in signed declaration of fluor ban conformity			
	Access to waxing rooms and ski testing area			

## 10 Monday, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024 – Model Event

## 10.1 Day schedule

Office hours	Program
09:00 - 11:00	10:00 – 12:00 Model Event with start & timing
14:00 - 16:00	12:00 – 15:00 Model Event without start & timing
18:00 - 20:00	
	15:00 Entry deadline for Sprint & Start group allocation 18:30 Team Officials' Meeting

#### 10.2 Model Event

The start to the Model Event is located near the foot of the Rittisbergbahn, where parking is possible. It is also possible to go by ski bus (to be paid). There is no organized transport to the Model Event.

The Model Event demonstrates the start procedure (without the start gate), the controls and punching stations, typical tracks and maps.

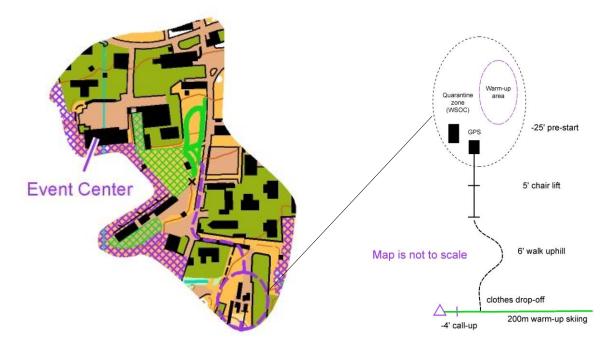
## 11 Tuesday, Jan. 23rd 2024 – Sprint

#### 11.1 Day schedule

Office hours	Program
08:00 - 11:00	09:45 First start M17 / W17
14:00 - 16:00	10:45 Flower ceremony M17 / W 17
18:00 - 20:00	10:25 First start M20 / W20
	11:15 First start Men
	11:35 Flower ceremony M20 / W20
	11:45 Start quarantine closes / Finish quarantine opens
	12:50 Flower ceremony Men
	12:50 First start Women
	14:00 Flower ceremony Women
	15:00 Entry deadline for Pursuit / Long & Start group allocation
	17:30 Opening & Awards Ceremony Sprint
	18:30 Team Officials' Meeting

#### 11.2 Way to the start

The pre-start area (= start quarantine area for WSOC participants) is a 5 minute walk from the XC Skiing Arena Ramsau.



- ➤ Pre-start call-up is 25 minutes before the start time according to the start list.
- ➤ All WSOC participants will be equipped with GPS after call-up.
- > Participants shall then take the chair-lift (ski-jumper's lift), this takes roughly 5 minutes.
- ➤ After this it is a walk of about 6 minutes to the top of Kulm.
- At the start there is a possibility to warm-up ski and leave clothes for delivery to the finish. The clothing is not guaranteed to be there before the runner finishes.

#### 11.3 Map scale & contour interval

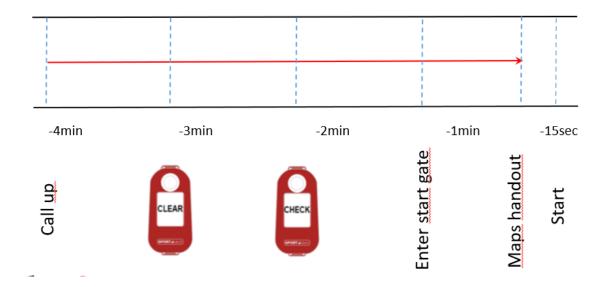
Map scale	Contours
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### 11.4 Winning times

	Sprint
EYSOC	8' - 12'
JWSOC	12′ - 15′
WSOC	12' - 15'

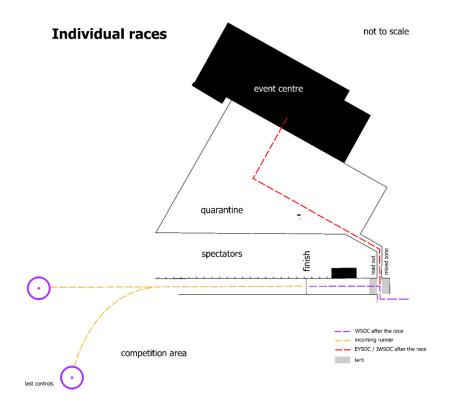
Course lengths / climb and number of controls will be communicated during the Team Officials' Meeting.

#### 11.5 Start procedure



In **WSOC** a start gate will be used. The competitor may start any time between five seconds before the start signal and the start signal. If a competitor starts late, the start list time is taken as the start time. A competitor who starts more than 5 seconds early will be disqualified.

### 11.6 Finish layout



There will be no punching at the finish line as the time will be registered automatically via a loop antenna as the SIACs passes the line. A back-up system is in place. After crossing the finish line, you will be directed to download of data from your SIAC and return of your bib (and GPS in case of WSOC).

#### 11.7 Quarantine

For JWSOC and EYSOC participants there is a finish quarantine until start of WSOC start quarantine. For details see the separate section 32 Quarantine below.

#### 11.8 Maximum skiing time

The maximum skiing time in all classes is 90 minutes.

### 11.9 Equipment change

No equipment change is planned for the Sprint.

## 12 Wednesday, Jan. 24th 2024 - Pursuit / Long

#### 12.1 Day schedule

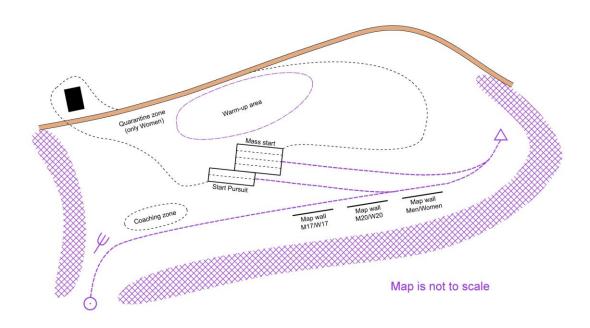
Office hours	Progr	am
08:00 - 11:00	10:00	Mass start M20
14:00 - 16:00	10:10	Mass start W20
18:00 - 20:00	11:30	Flower ceremonies M20 / W20
	10:50	Mass start M17
	11:00	Mass start W17
	11:50	Start quarantine closes / Finish quarantine opens
	11:50	Flower ceremonies M17 / W17
	12:00	Start Pursuit Men
	13:00	Flower ceremony Men
	13:10	Start Pursuit Women
	14:10	Flower ceremony Women
	17:30	Awards Ceremony Pursuit & Long

#### 12.2 Bus schedule

	Start times	Buses at
JWSOC	10:00 / 10:10	08:50, 09:05, 09:20
EYSOC	10:50 / 11:00	09:55, 10:10
WSOC	12:00	10:50, 11:10

Drive time to the start area is approximately 5 minutes.

### 12.3 Start arena layout



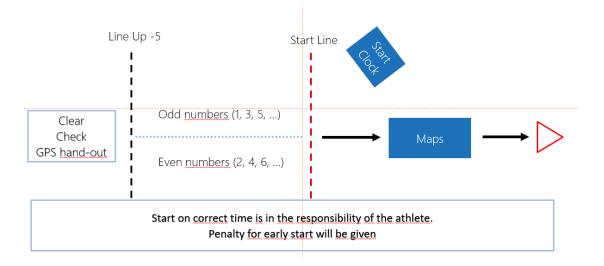
## 12.4 Map change

All competitors will have 3 maps overall. Map pick-up / map change occurs at the map wall.

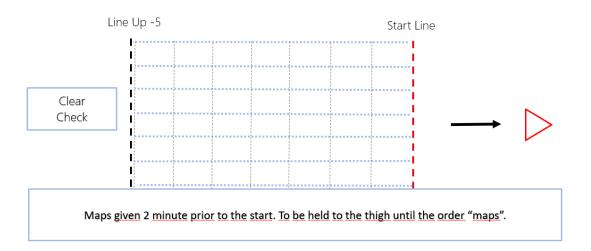
WSOC competitors (Pursuit) pick up their first map at the map wall.

**JWSOC & EYSOC** competitors (Mass start) receive their first map at the start.

#### 12.5 Start scheme Pursuit (WSOC)



### 12.6 Start scheme Mass Start (JWSOC & EYSOC)



### 12.7 Finish layout

The finish layout is the same as for the Sprint (see above).

## 12.8 Map scale & contour interval

Map scale	Contours
1:10.000	5 m

#### 12.9 Winning times

	Sprint
EYSOC	40' - 45'
JWSOC	65' - 75'
WSOC	55′

Course lengths / climb and number of controls will be communicated during the Team Officials' Meeting.

#### 12.10 Quarantine

For JWSOC and EYSOC participants there is a finish quarantine, for WSOC a start quarantine. For details see the separate section 32 Quarantine below.

#### 12.11 Clothing transport

Extra clothing may be dropped off at the start, from where it will be transported to the Event Center (quarantine area in the finish). The clothing is not guaranteed to be there before the runner finishes.

#### 12.12 Equipment Change Areas

Equipment can be dropped off at the designated area (1 ski bag for WSOC per nation and 1 ski bag for JWSOC/EYSOC per nation). Extra equipment will be transported back to the Event Center by the organizers after the race.

#### **12.13** Finish

There will be no punching at the finish line as the time will be registered automatically via a loop antenna as the SIACs passes the line. A back-up system is in place. The finish line will also be filmed. In case of photo finish the position in the result list will be given by the tip of the toe. The position based on registered time and photo finish may in rare cases differ due to this. After crossing the finish line, you will be directed to download of data from your SIAC and return of your bib (and GPS in case of WSOC).

### 12.14 Maximum skiing time

The maximum skiing time in all classes is **3 hours**.

# 13 Thursday, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> 2024 – Rest Day

## 13.1 Day schedule

Office hours	Program
09:00 - 11:00	15:00 Entry Deadline for Middle & Start group allocation
14:00 - 16:00	18:30 Team Official's Meeting
18:00 - 20:00	

## 14 Friday, Jan. 26th 2024 - Middle

### 14.1 Day schedule

Office hours	Program
08:00 - 11:00	10:00 First start M17 / W17
14:00 - 16:00	10:00 First start M20 / W20
18:00 - 20:00	11:35 Start quarantine closes / finish quarantine opens
	11:35 First start Men / Women
	12:00 Flower ceremony M17 / W17
	12:15 Flower ceremony M20 / W20
	13:50 Flower ceremony Women
	14:40 Flower ceremony Men
	15:00 Entry deadline for Relays
	18:30 Team Officials' Meeting

## 14.2 Bus schedule

	Start times	Buses at
EYSOC	10:00 -	09:00, 09:20, 09:40
JWSOC	10:00 -	09:00, 09:20, 09:40
WSOC	11:35 -	10:30, 11:00, 11:20

Drive time to the start area is approximately 6 minutes.

## 14.3 Map scale & contour interval

Map scale	Contours
1:10.000	5 m

#### 14.4 Winning times

	Sprint
EYSOC	20' - 25'
JWSOC	25' - 35'
WSOC	40' - 45'

Course lengths / climb and number of controls will be communicated during the Team Officials' Meeting.

#### 14.5 Quarantine

For JWSOC and EYSOC participants there is a finish quarantine, for WSOC a start quarantine. For details see the separate section 32 Quarantine below.

#### 14.6 Clothing transport

Extra clothing may be dropped off at the start, from where it will be transported to the Event Center (quarantine area in the finish). The clothing is not guaranteed to be there before the runner finishes.

### 14.7 Equipment change area / Equipment drop-off

There will be 1 equipment change area in the terrain. Equipment will be transported there by the organizers. Drop-off of 1 closed ski bag for WSOC per nation and 1 closed ski bag for JWSOC/EYSOC per nation until 09:00 at the arena.

### 14.8 Maximum skiing time

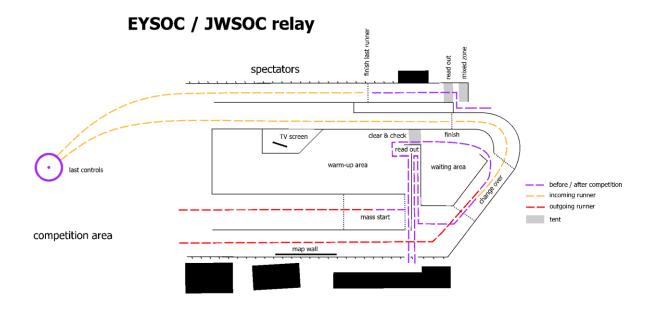
The maximum skiing time in all classes is **3 hours**.

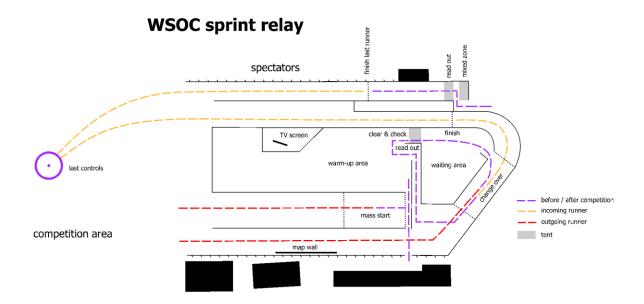
# 15 Saturday, Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> 2024 – Relays

## 15.1 Day schedule

Office hours	Program
08:00 - 11:00	09:30 Mass start M17
15:00 - 16:30	09:45 Mass start W17
	10:30 Mass start W20
	10:45 Mass start M20
	11:00 Flower ceremony M17
	11:15 Flower ceremony W17
	12:30 Flower ceremony W20
	12:45 Flower ceremony M20
	13:00 Mass start Mixed Relay
	14:00 Flower ceremony Mixed Relay
	17:00 Awards Ceremony Middle & Relays
	Closing Ceremony, Banquet & Party

## 15.2 Arena layout





In the exchange area 1 coach per nation is allowed. No waxers in the exchange area Athletes are to use the same pair of skis unless they are broken (skis will be marked).

### 16 Sunday, Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> 2024 – Departure

Office hours	Program
09:00 - 11:00	During opening hours:
	Return SIACs
	Return waxing room keys

## 17 Map Size & Paper

- Format of all maps is A4 (210×297mm).
- ➤ Maps are printed on pretex 50.120.

#### 18 Punching System

SPORTident touch free punching will be used.

All competitors will be provided with two (2) SPORTident ActiveCards (SIAC) by the organizer for the duration of the event (primary card = red, secondary card = green). Only these may be used in the competitions.

Both SIACs are to be carried on the same hand or arm (left or right).

SPORTident recommends to place SIACs on the opposite arm than competitors (own) GPS-watch.

Official GPS-device will be placed on competitors back

#### 19 Team Officials' Meetings (TOM)

The Team Officials' Meetings will be held in the Event Center Ramsau.

All material presented in the Team Officials' Meetings will be available on IOF Eventor and the event website the same evening.

### 20 Medical Emergencies

In case of accidents contact the mountain rescue – see the emergency number on the back of the accreditation.

The rescue station is located at the arena.

In case of serious or contagious illness contact the Event Office.

#### 21 Ceremonies

All ceremonies will be held in the XC Skiing Arena, in case of bad weather (rain) in the big hall of the Event Center Ramsau.

In the opening, closing and medal ceremonies, the athletes and team officials are requested to wear their team uniforms.

National flags, signs and other non-competition equipment are not allowed on the stage at flower ceremonies.

Competition equipment, sunglasses, bottles, hats, head bands, flags or any accompanying persons are not allowed to be brought to the podium in the medal ceremonies.

### 22 Banquet

It is our pleasure to invite all participants – athletes and coaches – to the final banquet.

The costs are carried by the local organization and the government of Styria.

A particular thank you goes out to the Governor of Styria, Mag. Christopher Drexler for the financial support.

Drinks are to be paid for individually.

#### 23 IOF Athlete Licences

All participants to **WSOC** need a valid IOF Athlete Licence. This should be processed and paid for before the competitions. Further information on the IOF Athlete Licence here: <a href="https://orienteering.sport/iof/for-athletes/athletes-licence/">https://orienteering.sport/iof/for-athletes/athletes-licence/</a>

**Please note** that an IOF Athlete Licence is also needed for Juniors/Youth running in the WSOC Sprint Relay.

#### 24 Start Group Allocation and Start lists

#### **Individual Competitions:**

JWSOC & EYSOC: Team Leader will allocate the athletes to three start groups via Eventor before the deadline of 15:00 on the previous day (Early, Middle, Late).

WSOC: Start group allocation to four start groups according to World Ranking. The start list will be drawn for each start group.

#### **Relay Competitions:**

JWSOC & EYSOC: Start list according to previous JWSOC/EYSOC results. Nations, which did not participate in previous championships will be placed in the second group and their start numbers will be drawn

WSOC: Start list according to previous WSOC results. Nations, which did not participate in WSOC 2022 will be placed in the second group and their start numbers will be drawn.

### 25 Wild Cards (WSOC)

Wild cards for allocation to start group 4 have been applied and approved for:

- ➤ Hanna Eriksson, Sweden Sprint
- ➤ Gustav Nordström, Sweden Sprint, Middle
- ➤ Magdalena Olsson, Sweden Sprint

#### **26 Complaints**

Any complaint must be made in writing to the Event Director as soon as possible, no later than 15 minutes after the preliminary results of the race are published (announced by the arena speaker).

Complaints may only be made by team officials or competitors. There is no fee for a complaint.

#### **27 Protests**

A protest may be made against the organizer's decision about a complaint. Any protest must be made in writing to the IOF Senior Event Advisor no later than 15 minutes after the Event Director has informed the complainant of the decision about the complaint. Protests received after this time limit may be considered at the discretion of the jury if there are valid exceptional circumstances which must be explained in the protest.

Protests may only be made by team officials or competitors. A protest fee of € 50,- must be paid to the IOF Senior Event Adviser in cash when making a protest. The fee will be returned if the protest is accepted by the jury, otherwise the fee is sent to the IOF. Where a protest is signed by more than one federation, each of these federations must pay the protest fee.

### 28 Jury

For **WSOC**, the jury consists of the following 5 voting members:

- ➤ Nicolo Corradini, Italy
- ➤ Carl Fey, United States
- ➤ Tilla Farnes Hennum, Norway
- > Sture Norén, Sweden
- ➤ Tatsuma Shibata, Japan

For JWSOC & EYSOC, the jury consists of the following 3 voting members:

- ➤ Carl Fey, United States
- > Sture Norén, Sweden
- Tatsuma Shibata, Japan

#### 29 Live Production

There will be live productions from all races broadcast on TV and IOF TV. During the competitions, competitors may encounter camera crews in the terrain. Camera positions and intermediate time controls are not specifically marked on the map. Competitors may be followed by a skiing camera person or by camera drones and skidoos during the race.

#### 30 Photo and Video Disclaimer

By taking part in WSOC JWSOC EYSOC 2024, all persons acknowledge their consent to interview(s), photography, audio recording, video recording and its/their release, publication, exhibition, or reproduction to be used for news, webcasts, promotional purposes, telecasts, advertising, inclusion on websites, or any other purpose by the organizers and their affiliates and representatives.

No drones are allowed in the competition area without written permission from the organizers.

## 31 Liability and Insurance

The organization of WSOC JWSOC EYSOC 2024 declines any liability that might occur through participation in the event. All persons participate at their own risk and are responsible for their own insurance coverage (illness and accident).

#### 32 Quarantine

#### 32.1 JWSOC & EYSOC

In the individual races there is a finish quarantine for JWSOC and EYSOC participants. The finish quarantine is located in and by the Ramsau Event Center / next to the arena (indoor & outdoor). The finish quarantine for JWSOC and EYSOC participants lasts until the first start in the WSOC classes. It is possible to watch the finish area from the quarantine area. Bags with change of clothes and food/drink are to be dropped off at the quarantine area before start of the race. At a minimum, drinking water is available in the quarantine area.

It is strictly forbidden to communicate with persons outside the quarantine. Therefore it is also not allowed to have any electronic communication device in the quarantine. This includes e.g. mobile phones, smart watches and laptops.

#### **32.2 WSOC**

In the individual races there is a start quarantine for WSOC participants.

It is strictly forbidden to communicate with persons outside the quarantine. Therefore it is also not allowed to have any electronic communication device in the quarantine. This includes e.g. mobile phones, smart watches and laptops.

#### 33 Waxing & Ski Testing Area

#### 33.1 Waxing Rooms

The waxing rooms are located on the first floor of the southeastern building in the corner of the arena. The waxing rooms are about 15 m<sup>2</sup> large, have electricity and can be locked. The keys will be given out in the event office against a deposit of  $\leq$  50,00.

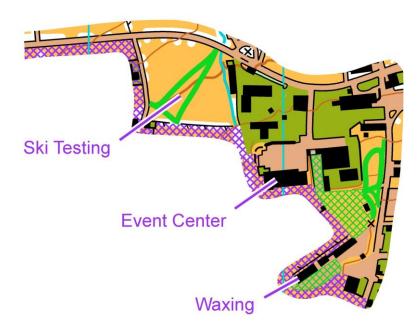
There is a public (shared) waxing room available for small teams. This room is not locked.

#### 33.2 Professional Waxing Service

A professional waxing service is available for smaller teams. Registration on the day before until 15:00 at the Event Office. The skis shall be brought in by 17:00 to the waxing cabin, room # 15, where they then can be picked up again.

Cost: Wax + liquid € 40.-; primer + wax + powder € 60.-

#### 33.3 Ski Testing Area



The borders of the out-of-bounds area are not marked in the terrain. Please respect these borders as shown

#### 34 Ban of Fluorinated Waxes

The use of fluorinated waxes is forbidden. If used previously, all equipment (skis, waxing irons, scrapers, brushes, ski bags, ...) must be thoroughly cleaned of fluorinated substances. It is not allowed to bring fluorinated waxes to the event.

For background and FAQs in this regard as well as cleaning guidelines, see the information provided by the IOF: <a href="https://orienteering.sport/skio/fag-ban-of-fluorinated-waxes-in-skio/">https://orienteering.sport/skio/fag-ban-of-fluorinated-waxes-in-skio/</a>

All competitors are required to fill out, sign and hand in to the event office a declaration of conformity. A Team Official representing a national team may make the declaration on behalf of the entire team. A signed declaration is mandatory for participation in the event.

The form can be downloaded here: <a href="https://www.ski-o.at/wsoc2024/fluordeclaration.pdf">https://www.ski-o.at/wsoc2024/fluordeclaration.pdf</a> and will be available in printed form at the event office.

#### 35 Open Session Fluor Testing and Fluor Ban Control

On Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, the IOF offers an open session on fluor testing to enable WSOC athletes and teams to familiarize themselves with the testing procedure.

Due to time and resource constraints, only skis belonging to WSOC athletes can be offered to be tested in the open session. Consequently, no JWSOC & EYSOC athletes' skis will tested during the championships.

More information on the open session and the procedure here: <a href="https://eventor.orienteer-ing.org/Documents/Event/7376/1/Information-regarding-Open-Session-Fluor-Testing-during-WSOC2024">https://eventor.orienteer-ing.org/Documents/Event/7376/1/Information-regarding-Open-Session-Fluor-Testing-during-WSOC2024</a>

IOF reserves the right to perform testing during the Championships according to the IOF Fluor Ban control procedure. See <a href="https://orienteering.sport/skio/competition-rules/">https://orienteering.sport/skio/competition-rules/</a>

### 36 Anti-Doping

Doping is strictly forbidden, and the Event Organization is dedicated to supporting the Anti-Doping Authorities in their work.

Doping controls may be carried out any time during the event in accordance with the procedures described in the WADA International Standard of Testing and Investigations. The IOF Anti-Doping Rules and the World Anti-Doping Code apply.

Athletes must have valid personal identification available at the finish.

### 37 Registration of Media and Federation Representatives

Please direct media enquiries and other questions or requests to the media office or the event office via the contacts given below.

#### 38 Information and Contact

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