

WORLD ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2009

MISKOLC-HUNGARY



BULLETIN

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Dear Orienteering Friends,

In the name of devoted Hungarians, I welcome the world's orienteers.

Twenty-four years have passed since Hungary hosted a world orienteering championship in Zalaegerszeg in 1983.

We have been doing our best for a long time in order to become eligible again to organize the next WOC, the greatest of all orienteering events, at the highest level and spirit. Nothing demonstrates our determination better, than the fact that after two unsuccessful attempts, we tried again, and this time our efforts paid off. In 2009, we will receive the world's best orienteers in the Bükk Mountains and the karstic region of Aggtelek, where we definitely will witness a series of exciting and enjoyable events, and hopefully Hungarian successes as well.

We find it essential that our federation does not just play a role of governing the sport, but as a body, it is able to achieve developments and maintain continuous success. These are the reasons that organizing a WOC is so important for us, and linked to the event, we started a Student Orienteering Program last year. As a result of the program, hopefully a lot of sparkly eyed kids will sit among the spectators, for whom this event will signify a milestone as a starter for a new path, but we do not see the possible outcome just yet....

We intend to put on a renewed WOC, which is spectacular, electrifying, and eventful, but preserves the well-established traditions as well.

The woods are beautiful in general, and we are very proud of the unique experience the Bükk Mountains and the karstic region of Aggtelek provides for the competitors and spectators alike.

The Organizing Committee faces a double-duty in organizing the WOC since it's performance will be rated from Hungarian and international side as well. So we engage in that challenge, and hope that we will meet all demands and expectations of the new era.

Be our judge. Come visit us and be our guest at the city of Miskolc and see it all first hand.

Sincerely,

*Miklós Juhász
President of HOF*



1. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Zsolt Gerzsényi	President of the Organizing Committee
Tíbor Zsigmond	Event Director (Vice-President)
Áron Less	General Secretary
Tamás Gerzsényi	Financial Director
Balázs Kovács	IT Director
Gábor Ács	Media Director
László Nemesházi	WTOC2009 Director
Zoltán Mitró	Logistics Director
Zoltán Mihácz	Director of Public Events
Per Forsberg (SWE)	Event Presentation Director
Árpád Kocsik	Event Presentation Manager

2. EVENT CONTROLLERS

Tuomo Peltola (FIN)	IOF Senior Event Advisor
Zoltán Szerdahelyi	Chief National Controller
András Hegedüs	National Controller
Ábel Hegedüs	National Controller

3. PROGRAM

		Morning	Afternoon
Sun	16 Aug	Middle Distance Qualification	
Mon	17 Aug	Long Distance Qualification	Hungaria Cup Day 1 (Public Event)
Tue	18 Aug		Hungaria Cup Day 2 (Public Event) Opening Ceremony
Wed	19 Aug	Middle Distance Final	Hungaria Cup Day 3 (Public Event)
Thu	20 Aug	Sprint Distance Qualification	Sprint Distance Final
Fri	21 Aug	Hungaria Cup day 4 (Public Event) Relay (Women)	Relay (Men)
Sat	22 Aug	Hungaria Cup Day 5 (Public Event)	
Sun	23 Aug	Hungaria Cup Day 6 (Public Event) Long Distance Final	Closing Ceremony, Banquett

4. CLASSES AND ENTRY REGULATIONS

The following regulations based on The Competition Rules for IOF Foot Orienteering Events (edition of January 1st, 2007) shall be applied to participation in World Orienteering Championships 2009:

- *There is one class for women and one for men. There are no age restrictions. (5.7)*
- *A competitor may represent only one Federation during any one calendar year. (6.1)*
- *Competitors who are representing a Federation shall have full passport-holding citizenship of the country of that Federation. (6.2)*
- *Each participating Federation shall appoint a team manager to act as a contact person between the team and*

the organizer. It is the team manager's duty to see that the team receives all necessary information. (6.3)

- *Competitors participate at their own risk. Insurance against accidents shall be the responsibility of their Federation or themselves, according to national regulations. (6.4)*
- *All competitors represent a Federation. Each Federation may enter a team of up to 14 competitors — up to 7 women and 7 men — and a number of team officials. The organizer shall fix the maximum number of officials per team, in accordance with the available facilities. This maximum number shall be the same for each team and shall be at least 5. (6.5)*

- In each qualification race, every Federation may enter up to 3 women and 3 men and, in addition, the current World Champions for the distance may be entered by their Federation(s) provided they are members of the Federation's team. In the final, only the competitors placed number 15 and better in each qualification race heat may participate. (6.6)

- In the Relay, each Federation may enter one women's team and one men's team, each consisting of 3 team members. Incomplete teams and teams with runners from more than one Federation are not allowed. Under no circumstances may persons other than entered competitors participate in the competition (6.7)

5. EVENT CENTER AND ACCOMMODATION

The official Event and Media Center of WOC 2009 will be in the Campus of the University of Miskolc. The Campus provides for high standard accommodation, good enough and large enough to accommodate all the WOC 2009 participants during the World Championships in a "WOC Village" manner at very reasonable rates. The Campus is equipped with a

complete set of meeting rooms and sports facilities which include gyms, physiotherapy rooms and other.

Reservation forms for accommodation will be included as a part of Bulletin 2.

6. EMBARGOED AREAS

With reference to the IOF Competition Rules (article 26.6), the listed areas are embargoed for all potential WOC 2009 team members and persons in contact with them.

Spelt out in detail it means that in the embargoed areas (until after WOC2009) there will be

- no organised orienteering
- no training sessions, i.e. running/races, testing routes, etc.

and

- no-one with potential connection to a team may visit the embargoed areas with the exception of passage on paved open public roads.

**Offences must be reported to Áron Less,
WOC2009 General Secretary
e-mail: aron.less@woc2009.hu**

Copies of the most recent versions of the orienteering maps of the embargoed areas are published on the website of WOC 2009 and will be sent as CD-rom to IOF member federations for a price of 30 € (if a Federation asks for it).

Embargoed areas of WOC2009 and previous O-maps (only latest editions):

Number	Area	Previous O-maps
1	Királyasztal	Királyasztal, 2002, 1:5.000/5m
2	Szép-hegy	No previous O-map
3	Downtown Miskolc	No previous O-map
4	Miskolc-Tapolca	Leányvár, 1988, 1:15.000/5m
5	Lófő-tisztás	Galuzsnya-hegy, 2001, 1:10.000/5m Vivrát-hegy, 2001, 1:15.000/5m
6	Nagymező	Bükk-fennsík, 2002, 1:15:000/5m
7	Aggtelek	No previous O-map

7. TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

The following areas, also indicated on the embargoed areas map, have been designated as official training areas for teams participating in WOC 2009. More areas will be added gradually as they are mapped. The maps are surveyed and partially drawn 2003-2007 by the map-makers who will produce the WOC competition maps.

Relevant training areas for the sprint competitions will be available in 2008.

In general, all the training areas are relevant for every competition (except sprint). The type of forest for qualification and final in each discipline is more or less similar.

For all training in National Parks (Bükk National Park and Aggtelek National Park), permission has to be obtained from the authorities. Organising a training without this permission is not allowed. All contact with authorities must be made through Száva Zsigmond (see below).

Maps can be purchased offset-printed and laser-printed. It is also possible to purchase a CD-rom with the maps in JPEG format. The map files can therefore be used for course planning in conjunction with course planning softwares, and maps with courses can then be printed.

In all the training forests, a number of areas have been designated as out of bounds. It is very important that these areas are respected and kept clear of all training. The areas are marked on the maps.

All controls set out in the training areas must be labelled with the name of the group and the dates when the controls are put out and will be removed.

Prices

Offset-printed/Laser printed maps, per copy	3 EUR
Offset-printed/Laser printed maps with controls, per copy	5 EUR
Map files in JPEG format, per map	70 EUR
We can also offer to set controls out in the forest:	
per training event, per team	40 EUR + maps
with SPORTident system, per training event, per team	60 EUR + maps

All enquiries about training opportunities should be addressed to:

Száva Zsigmond

e-mail: training@woc2009.hu

Please also consult the website <http://woc2009.hu> for updated information about the training arrangements, facilities and maps.

Training areas of WOC2009

Number	Area	Previous O-maps (latest editions)
8	Vörös-tó	No previous O-map Temporarily Embargoed Training Area until 20 October 2007
9	Szelcepuszta	No previous O-map Temporarily Embargoed Training Area until 24 October 2008
10	Pázsag	Pázsag, 1999, 1:15.000/5m
11	Olasz-kapu	Olasz-kapu, 2004, 1:15.000/5m
12	Bükkszentkereszt	Bükkszentkereszt, Szinva-forrás, 2007, 1:15.000/5m Bükkszentkereszt, Vaskapu, 2006, 1:15.000/5m
13	Hollóstető	Rejte, 2007, 1:10.000/5m
14	Létrás	Létrás, 2006, 1:10.000/5m
15	Kisfennsík	Kisfennsík, 2005, 1:15.000/5m
16	Berekalja	Berekalja, Égés-árok, 2007, 1:5.000/2,5m

8. TRAINING CAMPS AND RECOMMENDED O-EVENTS

2007

Bükkfennsík Cup - 20-21 October 2007

- 2-day individual competition
- 1st day: middle distance
- 2nd day: long distance, World Ranking Event
- Venue: Aggtelek-karst - Training Area no. 8
- <http://bukkt2007.diosgyoritc.hu>

Eger Grand Prix - 22-23 October 2007

- 2-day individual competition
- 1st day: middle distance
- 2nd day: long distance
- Venue: Eger downtown and Bükk Mountains
- <http://www.egrispartacus.atw.hu>

2008

Borsod Orienteering Days - 7-8 June 2008

- 1st day: individual, long distance competition
- 2nd day: relay
- Venue: Bükk Mountains - Training Area no. 13
- <http://btn2008.diosgyoritc.hu>

1st Training Camp 21-31 October 2008

Miskolc Grand Prix - 23 October 2008

- Individual, sprint competition
- Venue: Miskolc surroundings
- <http://oneb2008.diosgyoritc.hu>

Hungarian Long Distance Championships - 24-25 October 2008

- 2-day individual competition
- 1st day: qualification - shortened long distance (60%)
- 2nd day: final - long distance
- Venue: Aggtelek-karst - Training Area no. 8 and no. 9
- <http://oneb2008.diosgyoritc.hu>

Bükkfennsík Cup - 26 October 2008

- Individual, middle distance competition
- Venue: Bükk Mountains - Training Area no. 10
- <http://oneb2008.diosgyoritc.hu>

2009

2nd Training Camp - 30 May - 5 June 2009

Borsod Orienteering Days - 30 May - 1 June 2009

- 1st day a.m.: individual, sprint distance competition
- 1st day evening: Hungarian Night Championships
- 2nd day p.m.: individual middle distance competition
- 3rd day a.m.: relay
- Venue: Bükk Mountains - Training Area no. 14
- <http://btn2009.diosgyoritc.hu>

3rd Training Camp - August 2009 (before WOC2009)

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