



European Trail
Orienteering
Championship
29.07- 3.08 2026

Team Official Meeting - Relay

3rd August 2026 (Monday)

9:00	Relay Quarantine closes	Binowo Golf Club GPS 53.318289890380676, 14.648623211227216
9:30	Relay Mass Start - P-class	
9:45	Relay Mass Start - Junior	
10:00	Relay Mass Start - Open	
13:00	Expected end of Relay competition	
13:30	Relay prize giving ceremony, closing ceremony	ul. Jana z Kolna 7 GPS 53.432776199602216,14.572210296162035
18:00	Banquet	

Relay Competition

A separate set of number bibs will be used for the Relay competition.

Each relay bib contains:

- the team number and relay leg (e.g. 12-2),
- a background colour identifying the competition category,
- a coloured stripe indicating the competitor's assigned Tempo variant.

Three different Tempo variants (Red, Blue and Green) will be used during the Relay competition. Approximately one third of the competitors will be assigned to each variant.

The coloured stripe indicates which Tempo station/queue the competitor must use.

The coloured stripe applies only to the Tempo part of the Relay and does not indicate the competitor's PreO forking. PreO forkings are assigned independently.

Competitors are kindly requested to check the colour shown on their bib before entering the Tempo section and follow the instructions of the officials.



TERRAINS

Relay

The relays will take place on a picturesque golf course, providing an excellent backdrop for the competition. This unique setting features carefully designed terrain that combines open spaces with gentle elevations and natural obstacles. The golf course, with its well-maintained lawns and scenic ponds, offers diverse navigational opportunities, requiring precise decision-making and the ability to move quickly across the terrain. The high-quality surface and aesthetic surroundings create a pleasant atmosphere for both competitors and spectators.

WEATHER

 **Weather forecast – Monday (08:00–14:00)**

 **Temperature:** rising from 18°C at 08:00 to around 27°C by 14:00.

 **Conditions:** partly sunny with periods of sunshine. No significant cloud cover expected during the competition.

 **Rain:** 0% chance of rain throughout the competition period.

 **Wind:** light to moderate, 10–13 km/h, providing some relief from the heat.

 **Humidity:** around 50%.

COURSE PARAMETERS

Event	Lenght	Climb	Control s	TempO Station	Time limit
Relay	O – 70m J/P – 60 m	1 m	3x13	3x(2x5)	O/J – 126' P – 150'



CEREMONIES & SOCIAL EVENTS

Prize-Giving Ceremonies

The relay award ceremony will take place at the Binowo Park Golf Club

(GPS: 53.258290, 14.576110) immediately after the competition.

Closing Ceremony

Closing ceremony will be held according to IOF protocol after the end of the prize-giving ceremony of the Relay competition. The ceremony will take place at Binowo Park Golf Club, where the Relay competition is held. During the Relay Prize-Giving Ceremony, the official ETOC 2026 Closing Ceremony will also be conducted, marking the conclusion of the Championships.

PUBLIC RACE

Relay – The PreO section of the Relay course only.

Public Race entries are still open.

You can entry in Competition Office



RELAY

3August (Monday) Relay Day

Location: Binowo Golf Course

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/pNig8aM6pFPw1PJ97>

(GPS 53.318139, 14.648043)



The Relay competition consists of a fixed PreO course for each competitor. These courses will be forked, as will the TempO stations (see also “Number Bibs” and “Overprint” elsewhere in this Bulletin)

Each relay leg will begin with a mass start near the Quarantine, after which competitors will proceed to the punching start. After punching the start, competitors will receive their relay map and begin the PreO section of the course. Upon completing the PreO course and punching at the finish, competitors will proceed to the handover area. The next relay leg will continue according to the organiser’s instructions. Detailed information about the mass start, punching start and relay handover procedure will be presented during the Relay Team Officials’ Meeting (TOM).

After finishing the PreO section, competitors will continue to their assigned TempO stations. The coloured stripe on the relay bib indicates the competitor’s assigned TempO variant. Competitors must report only to the TempO station corresponding to the colour shown on their bib. After completing both TempO stations, competitors must follow the designated route back to the Event Centre, where they may watch the remainder of the competition. Detailed information about the mass start, punching start and relay handover procedure will be presented during the Relay Team Officials Meeting (TOM).

High-voltage power lines with high poles will be mapped as pylons with wires on each side of it, correctly aligned. For map clarity we decided to cut the rest of the wires between the poles. Also, as the lines are so high up they can't really be used precisely to determine objects on the ground. Example of the pylon below. Low-voltage power lines with small poles will be shown as normal.



Prominent Golf Course features will be mapped as follows:
Putting Green as 520 - "Area that shall not be entered"
Bunkers as 213 - "Open sandy ground" with 415 - "Distinct cultivation boundary" outline



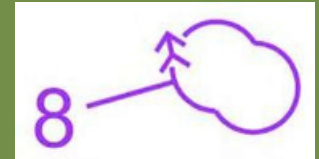
Symbol 531.002 - "Prominent man-made feature - x" refers to small ad billboards, they are mapped very precisely. Example below.



OVERPRINT DETAILS

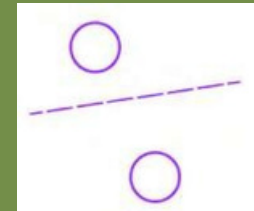
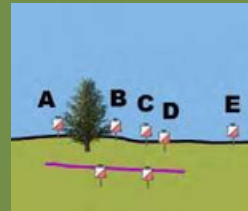
In some places a few tasks may be close to each other and to show fuller circles we have copied a small map segment adjacent to the main map.

For a few controls to avoid covering important details on the map we have also added a helper line to indicate which control circle goes with which control number (like control 8 in the example below). The number is connected to the correct circle with a line (0.35mm width).



In one particular situation the kites from two different groups of tasks can be seen underneath each other. To distinguish them we will use tape in the terrain, a line on the map (marked just to divide controls, not mapped in the same spot as in the terrain) and a picture at the decision point.

Also in the last column of controls description we will use description „upper” to remind you of that.



On PreO and Relay courses, start and finish symbols might be reduced to 75% or 50% due to map readability.

On the TrailO Relay, competitors will not be on a path, but in class-specific taped boxes: one for Open and one for Junior and P-Class. These two areas will both be marked on all maps - an area bounded by a line for where you can go, where your viewing points and ToePunch boxes will be; and a “709 -“Out-of-bounds area” which will represent the area used by the other class(es). The exact extent of these areas on the map are representative and not precise, so, like overprint features such as one-way-gates, they shouldn’t be used for accurate line-ups or bearings.



You must make sure you enter the correct box and stay within it until you have finished your PreO course and punched the finish.

BANQUET

The ETOC 2026 Banquet will take place aboard a passenger vessel during a 4-hour cruise on the Oder River, offering participants a unique opportunity to experience Szczecin from the water.

Date: 3 August 2026

Time: 18:00–22:00

Boarding location: ul. Jana z Kolna 7, Szczecin

Participants are kindly requested to arrive at least 15 minutes before departure. The vessel will depart promptly according to schedule.

During the cruise, participants will be served a selection of hot and cold finger foods, allowing guests to enjoy the evening in an informal atmosphere while meeting competitors, officials and accompanying persons from across Europe.

Alcoholic beverages are not included in the banquet fee. Guests wishing to purchase alcoholic drinks may do so individually at the onboard bar.

To ensure accessibility for all participants, a short stop is planned approximately halfway through the cruise. This will allow wheelchair users and other participants with reduced mobility to access fully accessible toilet facilities ashore, as the toilet facilities available on board may be too narrow for some wheelchair users.

The banquet will provide an opportunity to enjoy the scenery of the Oder River, the Szczecin waterfront and the harbour area while spending an evening together with the international Trail Orienteering community.



BANQUET

Banquet – Free Seats Needed

- Several national teams are still looking for places on the banquet cruise.
- If someone from your team will **NOT** attend the banquet, please inform the **Event Office** as soon as possible.
- We will immediately offer any free places to teams on the waiting list.
- If we had known the final number of participants by the registration deadline (**29 May**), we could have arranged a larger boat. Unfortunately, this is no longer possible.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



BANQUET

Banquet Boat Cruise – Important Information

The boat cruise will last approximately 4 hours.

After about 2 hours, the boat will make a stop where you will have the opportunity to use accessible toilets. Please note that the toilet on board is NOT accessible for wheelchair users. We kindly ask everyone to use the toilets on the quay before boarding the boat.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



WATER POINTS AND TOILETS

Water points and toilets will be available at the competition venues as follows:

Relay

2 water points will be available:

one at the Event Centre,

one at the relay exchange / finish area.

2 toilets are located at the Event Centre.

SAMPLE MAP OF COMPETITION

TERRAIN

Relay



INCLUSIVE GOLF EXPERIENCE

During the Relay Competition, competitors will have the opportunity to take part in an introductory golf session for people with disabilities. The activity will be organised by Mr. Jacek Uchański together with the Handicap Hero Foundation, whose mission is to promote inclusive sport and make golf accessible to everyone. Competitors are welcome to visit the golf area before or after completing their relay leg, depending on their competition schedule. Experienced instructors will introduce the basics of the game and provide all the necessary equipment. Participation is free of charge, and no previous golf experience is required. We sincerely thank Mr. Jacek Uchański and the Handicap Hero Foundation for supporting ETOC 2026 and offering this unique opportunity to our participants.



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