



Bulletin 3B



Dear Competitors,

It is my great pleasure to already invite you to Szczecin for the European Trail Orienteering Championships 2026. As the Technical Director and PreO course planner, I have the honour of preparing the sporting part of this event. Our aim is to design challenging yet fair courses, based on precise maps and diverse terrain, so that each of you can fully demonstrate your skills and enjoy the competition.

This edition will be a special one for the Trail Orienteering community. We want ETOC 2026 to stand out with top-quality courses, maps and organisation, leaving competitors with memorable experiences both on and off the courses.

Trail Orienteering is a discipline where observation, focus and strategy all matter. When creating the tasks, I strive to ensure they provide not only an intellectual and sporting challenge, but also satisfaction from the decisions you make and the results you achieve. Together with the whole team, we are working to ensure that the organisation and the quality of the maps meet the highest European standards.

I warmly encourage you to take part in our preparatory events, such as the Bukowa Cup. It is an excellent opportunity to familiarise yourself with the terrain and atmosphere awaiting you in 2026, to test your skills in a friendly environment and for us to refine the organisational details

Already now, I would like to thank all competitors, coaches and volunteers for their future commitment and passion, which will allow us to create an exceptional event at the highest level. I also invite you to discover Szczecin – a city full of greenery, riverside views and a unique charm, often referred to as “the city scented with chocolate”. I believe that the European Trail Orienteering Championships 2026 in Szczecin will be an unforgettable sporting and social experience. See you at the start!

Bartłomiej Mazan
Technical Director & PreO Course Setter
chairman of KOS BnO Szczecin

Dear Competitors,

As the map maker for the European Trail Orienteering Championships 2026, I feel honoured to contribute to this unique event. My main goal is to provide you with **maps of the highest possible quality**, so that each control, feature and detail is presented clearly and reliably.

All maps are being produced according to the latest **ISSprOM-2 specifications** and in close cooperation with the course setters. They are drawn and updated in **the same season as the competitions**, which allows us to capture the **most accurate picture of vegetation and terrain conditions** at the time you will compete. This means that the contours, paths, vegetation boundaries and man-made objects will reflect the reality you find in the field as precisely as possible.

I believe that good maps are the foundation of fair and enjoyable competition. Together with the organising team, I am committed to making sure that your navigation decisions are based on trustworthy information and that the maps meet the highest International standards.

I wish you successful preparations and look forward to welcoming you on the **ETOC 2026** courses. Thank you and good luck!

Krystian Petersburski

Map Maker



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EVENT DATES

Wednesday, 29th July – Monday, 3rd August 2026

EVENT VENUE

The capital and largest city of the West Pomeranian Voivodeship in northwestern Poland. Located near the Baltic Sea and the German border, it is a major seaport and Poland's seventh-largest city.

Szczecin is located between the broads of the Oder River with an open perspective on the Szczecin Reservoir and Lake Dąbie, and the sailing route to the Baltic Sea. There are many monuments worth visiting in Szczecin.

EVENT CENTRE

Hotel Vulcan
Franciszka Ksawerego Druckiego-Lubeckiego 6A street
71-643 Szczecin

Accreditation of the teams and team officials meetings will be held in the Event Centre.





DISTANCES AND OVERVIEW MAP

- Nearest international airports Szczecin/Goleniów - 0.5 h drive time (45 km)
- Berlin - 2 h drive time (190 km)
- Poznań - 2.5 h drive time (260 km)

CLIMATE

July is an agreeable month in Szczecin, Poland, with an average temperature varying between 12°C and 22°C while maximum temperatures up to 30°C is possible. July is one of the rainiest months of the year with an average of 13 rainy days and an average monthly rainfall amount of 543 mm in Szczecin.

EVENT PROGRAMME:

29th July 2026 (Wednesday)

18:00 Event Centre opens

21:00 Event Centre closes

30th July 2026 (Thursday)

10:00 Model Event

12:00 TempO Competition entry deadline

16:45 Opening Ceremony

19:00 Team Officials Meeting

31st July 2026 (Friday)

08:00 TempO Quarantine closes

08:30 TempO Qualification

12:00 PreO Competition entry deadline

15:30 TempO Final Quarantine closes

16:00 TempO Final

19:30 TempO prize giving ceremony

20:30 Team Officials Meeting

1st August 2026 (Saturday)

09:00 PreO Quarantine closes

10:00 PreO Day 1

2nd August 2026 (Sunday)

09:00 PreO Quarantine closes

10:00 PreO Day 2

18:00 Relay Competition entry deadline

19:00 Team Officials Meeting

19:00 PreO prize giving ceremony

3rd August 2026 (Monday)

09:00 Relay Quarantine closes

09:30 Relay First Mass Start

13:00 Expected end of Relay competition

13:30 Relay prize giving ceremony,

closing ceremony

18:00 Banquet

4th August 2026 (Tuesday)

Team departure

CLASSES AND COMPETITIONS RULES

ETOC 2026 will conform to the Competition Rules for IOF Trail Orienteering Events.

Rules specific to the European Trail Orienteering Championships are contained in Appendix 4.

The rules are available for download on the IOF website:
<https://orienteering.sport/trailo/competition-rules>

These rules introduce significant changes compared to previous European Trail Orienteering Championships, in particular regarding the number of classes available in each competition.

Competitors representing member Federations of the IOF, defined by the International Paralympic Committee as belonging to the European continent, may compete in ETOC. Competitors representing other IOF member Federations may participate but will not be eligible for European titles, medals or diplomas.

In the individual PreO and TempO competitions and in the Trail Orienteering Relay there is one Open class, one Junior class and one P (Physically Challenged) class.

In the individual PreO and TempO competitions, a Federation may enter a maximum of 6 competitors in each class. In addition, the current European Champions may be entered by their Federation in their respective classes.

In the Trail Orienteering Relay, a Federation may enter up to 2 teams in each class, each consisting of 3 competitors. Only the better-placed team will count in the prize list.

All ETOC 2026 maps will conform to the International Specification for Sprint Orienteering Maps ISSPrOM2019-2 Revision 6 and IOF Control Descriptions 2024.



TERRAINS

TempO Qualification, TempO Final

Open military training area with distinct microrelief, many single trees, depressions, ditches, and pits. Three forest types: semi-open mixed, dense, and beech forest with excellent visibility. A varied, technical, and navigationally interesting terrain.

PreO

The terrain of a typical moraine presents a fascinating landscape where visibility ranges from very good to limited, creating diverse navigational challenges. This area is characterized by significant elevation changes, introducing dynamism and variability to the competition route.

The morainic topography captivates with its interesting glacial microrelief, featuring numerous hills, valleys, and irregular forms that testify to the power of glaciers from centuries past. These natural formations create a variety of navigational challenges typical for Trail Orienteering.

The challenge lies in the ability to adapt to changing conditions and utilize the terrain's microrelief for effective navigation, making this moraine an ideal location for enthusiasts of orienteering.

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.



MODEL EVENTS

Two separate Model Events will be provided:
PreO Model – for both PreO competition days.
TempO / Relay Model – for the TempO Qualification, TempO Final and both parts of the Relay competition.

To participate in the Model Events, competitors must first complete accreditation at the Event Centre (Hotel Vulcan), either on the previous day or before travelling to the Model Events.

Please note: the two Model Event venues are not adjacent. Competitors travelling between them must follow the recommended routes and avoid all embargoed areas.

A detailed timetable and federation schedule for the Model Events will be published before the event.

Note also that this event is also under the EDC embargo so you must not leave the paths to enter the terrain even after finishing your course

MAPS

PreO 1: scale 1:4 000, contour interval 2m
PreO 2: scale 1:4 000, contour interval 2m
TempO: scale 1:3 000, contour interval 2m
Relay: scale 1:4 000, contour interval 2m

according to ISSprOM2019

MAPMAKER

Krystian Petersburgski

OLD MAPS

Mistrzostwa-Polski-w-Długodystansowym-BnO
Bukowa-Cup-X-E2
Bukowa-Cup-X-E3
Bukowa-Cup-X-E5
Bukowa-Cup-X-E6
Bukowa-Cup-12-E1-Sredni
Bukowa-Cup-12-E3-Klasyk
Bukowa-Cup-12-E4-Sredni
Bukowa-Cup-12-E5-Sredni
Bukowa-Cup-12-E6-Klasyk

COURSE PARAMETERS

Event	Scale	Length*	climb	Number of Controls	Timed Controls	Road Surface
Model Tempo	1:3000	1800m	10m		2x5	
Model Relay	1:4 000			6	1x5	
Model Pre0	1:4 000	2200m	30m	10	2x3	Forest road, mostly firm
Pre01	1:4 000	2740m	26m	31	2 × 3 tasks	
Pre02	1:4 000	P-2100m O/J -3030m	20m	34	2 × 3 tasks	
Relay	1:4 000	1300m	6m	3x13	2x5 for each leg	Firm grass field
Temp0 Q	1:3 000	P-1250m O-1140/2040m J-2040m	8m 8/20m 20m		7x5	Forest track, sandy in places
Temp0 F	1:3 000	1740m	18m		9x5	

* between the drop-off and pick-up points



COMPETITION CLOTHING

Competitors are requested to wear **clothing appropriate for the season and prevailing weather conditions**. At the end of July and beginning of August in Szczecin, the weather can vary from sunny and hot to rainy and cooler.

We recommend light and breathable clothing for warm days, a waterproof jacket for possible rain, and comfortable footwear suitable for moving along paths.

In some forested areas insects such as mosquitoes may be present, so long sleeves or insect repellent may be useful.

National uniforms and club colours are encouraged for ceremonies and prize-givings.

COMPLAINTS AND PROTESTS

Complaints and Protests will be handled in accordance with the IOF Trail Orienteering Competition Rules 2026.

Complaints must be submitted in writing using forms available at the Event Office / Arena Event Centre.

A Protest fee of 50 EUR (or the equivalent in local currency) must be paid when making a Protest.

The fee will be returned if the Protest is accepted by the Jury.



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FAIRNESS

Competitors must not use or carry mobile phones, radios, computers, smart glasses, headphones or any other communication devices in the quarantine area.

It is not permitted to bring old orienteering maps, maps of the competition area or any material containing information about the competition terrain into the quarantine area.

It is strictly forbidden to use any electronic device (except an approved watch) in toilets located within the quarantine area, regardless of whether the device is switched on or off.

Competitors must not use or carry any communication device capable of transmitting or receiving information from a remote source between entering the quarantine area (or the start area if no quarantine is used) and reaching the finish, unless explicitly approved by the organisers.

GPS-enabled watches may be carried provided that:

they have no map display;

they have no communication capability other than receiving GPS signals;

they are not used for navigation purposes.

Any exchange of information concerning the competition, controls, answers, terrain, maps or solutions between competitors, team officials or spectators before the completion of the competition is strictly forbidden.

Competitors who have completed their competition must not communicate any information about the course or controls to competitors who have not yet started or are still competing.

Team officials, spectators and competitors must respect all embargoed areas and organiser instructions.

Any competitor or team who breaks these rules, or who benefits from the breaking of these rules, may be disqualified in accordance with the IOF Trail Orienteering Competition Rules.

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QUARANTINE

Quarantine areas will be used for all competitions. For the TempO competition, the quarantine area will be located at Amfiteatr Żydowce in Szczecin. For the PreO competition, competitors will be quarantined at Harcówka Binowo. During the Relay competition, the quarantine area will be situated within Binowo Park Golf Club.

Further operational details, including quarantine procedures and transport arrangements, will be published in Bulletin 4 and communicated at the relevant Team Officials Meeting.

All competitors are required to comply with quarantine regulations and follow the instructions of the organisers and officials. Failure to comply with quarantine procedures may result in disqualification in accordance with the IOF Trail Orienteering Competition Rules.

PUNCHING AND RESULTS SYSTEMS

The ToePunch system (toe.yq.cz) will be used for punching and time keeping in PreO competitions and on PreO-part of the Relay. The ANT system (ant.yq.cz) will be used at timed controls and TempO stations

ZERO TOLERANCE

The minimum Zero Tolerance for all competitions will be 4 metres. Double control flags will be used at selected controls during the Championships. Controls with double flags are expected to have a Zero Tolerance of 8 metres. Further information on the use of double flags for specific competitions will be published in Bulletin 4. All control markers will be placed as precisely as possible in accordance with the IOF Trail Orienteering Competition Rules and Technical Guidelines.



CEREMONIES & SOCIAL EVENTS

Opening Ceremony

All teams are kindly asked to line up on the Szczecin Boulevards – Bulwary Szczecińskie (GPS: 53.42218996562524, 14.56190822759157) at 18:25. Each team will be represented by its flag. Together we will proceed to the opening site on the boulevard, where the European Trail Orienteering Championships 2026 will be officially declared open.

Prize-Giving Ceremonies

– Temp0 & Pre0: Medals and prizes for the Temp0 and Pre0 competitions will be awarded at Jasne Błonia Park in Szczecin (GPS: 53.440205, 14.534846) – a spacious, green landmark of the city, perfect for a public celebration.

– Relays: 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.

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.

ENTRIES

The entries will be open on 1st June 2025.
All entries have to be made through IOF Eventor.

The team size deadline is 29 th May 2026.
The team names deadline is 15th July 2026

Late entries will be surcharged as stated in the IOF rules (7.4).

Entries will not be valid until the entry fee has been paid.
The payment must be made by 15 th June 2026.

ENTRY FEE

Fee type	Fee in PLN per competitor
Accreditation fee Athletes (including model event)	580 PLN
Accreditation fee Team Officials	495 PLN
Accreditation fee Accompanying person, Escort	170 PLN
Entry fee for PreO Competition	600 PLN
Entry fee for Tempo Competition	430 PLN
Entry fee for Relay Competition (per Team)	730 PLN
Participation fee for banquet	0 PLN
Fee per training map	30 PLN

Entries shall be made exclusively through IOF Eventor.

If you encounter any problems with the online entry system, please contact the **Event Office** immediately at kontakt@bno.szczecin.pl

If a team has problems with internet connection, please ask for assistance at the **Event Office at the Event Centre (Hotel Vulcan)** or at the **Arena Info Desk**.

Changes to **relay team compositions** will be accepted **only for valid reasons** (such as illness or injury) and must be approved by the Event Office.

Please also submit the **Banquet Form** to book banquet.






















Entry fees must be transferred to the following bank account (entries are not valid until payment has been received):

Stowarzyszenie Klub Orientacji Sportowej BnO Szczecin
IBAN PL27 1090 2806 0000 0001 4992 9495
SWIFT WBKPPLPP
Santander Bank Polska

In the transfer title please enter:
ETOC 2026 and the name of Federation

ENTRY SUMMARY

A total of 21 federations have entered ETOC 2026. The Championships have attracted 190 competitors, including 101 Open athletes, 43 Para athletes and 46 Junior athletes. In addition, the event will host 7 Team Officials, 2 Accompanying Persons and 16 Escorts, bringing the current number of accredited participants to 215. The largest delegations are represented by Poland (25 participants), Ukraine (24 participants), Czechia (19 participants), Finland (18 participants), and Italy and Latvia (14 participants each). The final participation statistics may be subject to minor changes following the completion of the entry process.

Federation	O Athlete	P Athlete	J Athlete	Team Official	Accompanying Person	Escort	Total
 Austria	1						1
 Croatia	3						3
 Czechia	6	6	4			3	19
 Denmark	1	1			1	1	4
 Finland	7	5	3	1		2	18
 Germany	6		3				9
 Great Britain	7	1	3	1			12
 Hong Kong China	4		3	1			8
 Hungary	4	1	1			1	7
 Italy	7	4	1	1	1		14
 Japan	4						4
 Latvia	6	3	4			1	14
 Lithuania	3		1				4
 Norway	6	1	3				10
 Poland	6	6	6	1		6	25
 Portugal	3		1				4
 Slovakia	5		3	1			9
 Spain	6	3	3				12
 Sweden	6	4		1			11
 Ukraine	6	7	7			2	24
 United States	2	1					3
Sum	101	43	46	7	2	16	215

P-Class ELIGIBILITY

The official list of athletes currently eligible to compete in the P-Class is available on the IOF website.

Before travelling to ETOC 2026, all Team Managers and P-Class competitors should verify that the entered athletes appear on the official eligibility list.

Athletes who still require an in-person assessment or who have outstanding documentation should complete these requirements before the Championships whenever possible.

The eligibility list is regularly updated by the IOF.



ACCOMODATION AND MEALS

We recommend booking accommodation at Hotel Vulcan, where the Event Centre and Team Officials' Meeting will take place. We have pre-booked the entire Hotel Vulcan until 31 July 2025; after this date, we will release the rooms, and bookings can only be made individually without any guarantee of room availability. Please note that making a reservation is not the same as making a payment – payment can be arranged closer to the reservation date. When booking, please mention the code ETOC 2026.

Here are the recommended hotels in Szczecin:

Hotel Vulcan ***
ul. Druckiego-Lubeckiego 6A, 71-043 Szczecin

Ibis Styles Szczecin Stare Miasto ***
ul. Panienska 10, 70-535 Szczecin

Ibis Szczecin Centrum ***
ul. Dworcowa 16, 70-206 Szczecin

Novotel Szczecin Centrum ****
ul. 3 Maja 31, 70-215 Szczecin

Accommodation: cost per room and night	Cost per type of accommodation in PLN			
	Hotel Vulcan	Novotel	Ibis Styles	Ibis
Single room	239	340	300	230
Double room	289	380	340	270
Triple room	329	-	-	-
extra bed in the room	85	-	-	-
Cost for meals				
Is breakfast included in the rate above?	YES	YES	YES	YES
Lunch per person	60	120	120	120
Dinner per person	60	140	140	140

Accessibility at the Event Centre (Hotel Vulcan)

The Event Centre for ETOC 2026 will be located at Hotel Vulcan, ul. Franciszka Ksawerego Druckiego-Lubeckiego 6A, 71-643 Szczecin.

The venue has been selected to ensure comfort and accessibility for all participants, including those with reduced mobility.

- **Entrance halls and public rooms:** Hotel Vulcan offers step-free access from the street and car park to the main entrance. All public areas, including the reception, conference rooms, dining rooms and meeting halls, are located on accessible routes and served by wide corridors and lifts.
- **Bedrooms:** A limited number of rooms adapted for guests with physical disabilities are available. These rooms feature wider doorways, roll-in showers and bathrooms with grab bars to facilitate independent use.
- **Sanitary facilities:** Accessible toilets are located both in the lobby area and near the conference/meeting rooms.
- **Charging of electric wheelchairs:** Dedicated power outlets will be available in the Event Centre's public areas for charging electric wheelchairs. Competitors staying at the hotel may also charge their wheelchairs in their rooms; additional extension cords can be provided on request at the reception.

The organising committee will be on hand at the Event Centre to assist with any accessibility needs and to coordinate the charging of electric wheelchairs.



CATERING

Participants and accompanying persons may order additional meals during ETOC 2026. Meals can be ordered directly from Hotel Vulcan:

Breakfast – 45 PLN (buffet)

Dinner – 60 PLN (main course, cold platter with cold cuts, cheeses, fresh vegetables, bread, butter, water and juices)

Persons interested in ordering breakfast and/or dinner are requested to contact the hotel directly:
rezerwacje@hotel-vulcan.pl

Lunch at the Competition Centre

Lunch can be ordered at the Competition Centre (CC):

Lunch – 60 PLN (soup and main course)

Orders should be sent to: kontakt@bno.szczecin.pl

Subject: Lunch ETOC

GOLF RESTAURANT

Meals will be available at Binowo Park Golf Club during the Championships.

Menu 1 – 30 PLN

Grilled chicken fillet

Potatoes

Coleslaw salad

Menu 2 – 25 PLN

Grilled sausage

Bread

Grill sauces

Vegetarian Menu – 30 PLN

Bell pepper stuffed with vegetables in tomato sauce

Mashed potatoes

Dessert – 14 PLN

Plum cake

Orders should be sent to kontakt@bno.szczecin.pl with the subject: Golf Restaurant.

The deadline for meal orders is 10 July 2026.

ACCREDITATION

Accreditation will take place at the ETOC Event Office located in Hotel Vulcan during the following times:

Wednesday, 29 July

18:00–21:00

Thursday, 30 July

08:00–10:00

18:30–20:30

Competitors participating only in the PreO competition may collect their accreditation at the PreO Quarantine on 1 August, between:
07:30–09:00

Each Federation must be represented by a Team Official during the accreditation process. Accreditation for competitors, team officials, escorts and accompanying persons will only be possible once all entry fees and other outstanding payments have been settled.

Team Managers must present valid passports (or other official identification documents) for verification of nationality and eligibility during accreditation. Teams arriving in stages may complete accreditation for late-arriving team members at a later time.

Parking is available at Hotel Vulcan for ETOC participants, subject to availability.

ACCREDITATION PHOTOS

Upon accreditation, all participants will receive an official ETOC accreditation card. Accreditation cards must be carried and presented when requested by event officials and may be required for access to restricted areas such as quarantine zones, Team Officials' Meetings and other official event facilities.

To help us prepare accreditation cards, all competitors are kindly requested to upload a recent passport-style photograph to their IOF Eventor profile **no later than 17 July 2026**.

The uploaded photograph will be used solely for the production of the official ETOC 2026 accreditation card. Team Managers are kindly asked to ensure that all team members have uploaded their photographs before the deadline.

If, due to unforeseen circumstances, an athlete has not uploaded a photograph to IOF Eventor by the deadline, they must attend the Accreditation Centre in person to collect their accreditation.

TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS

- For the Opening Ceremony, the TempO competition and the prize-giving ceremonies held in Szczecin (e.g. Jasne Błonia), we recommend using public transport. Szczecin has a dense network of trams and buses with low-floor, wheelchair-accessible vehicles and stops close to the venues.
- For the PreO competitions and the Relay (Binowo Park Golf Club) teams are advised to use their own private transport, as public transport connections to these venues are very limited.
- The organisers will provide transport between the quarantine and the start, and from the finish back to the quarantine area for all competitors where applicable.
- If a team cannot arrange private transport on its own, the organisers can support and organise transportation during ETOC after a preliminary request.

TRANSPORT

Information regarding transport services provided by the organisers will be published in Bulletin 4 and communicated at the relevant Team Officials Meeting.

The organisers will provide dedicated transport arrangements for competitors requiring wheelchair-accessible vehicles. Further details, including booking procedures and operating times, will be communicated closer to the event.

TRANSPORT FOR TEAMS WITHOUT PRIVATE VEHICLES

The organisers will not provide dedicated transport between accommodation, competition venues and event locations.

Participants and teams without private vehicles are encouraged to use Szczecin's well-developed public transport network, local taxi services or commercial car-sharing services available in the city.

ESCORT INFORMATION

Escorts are not provided by the organiser and must be arranged individually by each team.

If a competitor requires an escort and cannot provide one themselves, the team must inform the organiser in advance at kontakt@bno.szczecin.pl or at the Event Centre reception desk.

The organising committee will do its best to assist in finding a solution, but only upon prior notification.

EMBARGO

Competitors, Team Officials and accompanying persons are reminded to pay particular attention when travelling between competition venues.

Please ensure that you do **not accidentally enter any embargoed terrain** while walking, cycling or driving around Szczecin and the surrounding areas.

All ETOC competition and model areas are under strict embargo. You must not enter the terrain nor re-enter the course until all the competitions have completed. Any violation of embargo rules may result in sanctions according to the IOF Trail Orienteering Competition Rules.

EMBARGOED AND TRAINING AREAS

All embargoed and training areas for the European Trail Orienteering Championships 2026 are shown on a dedicated Google Map. Please respect the embargo until the end of the event – access to these areas is strictly forbidden for competitors, team officials and anyone who may influence the competition.

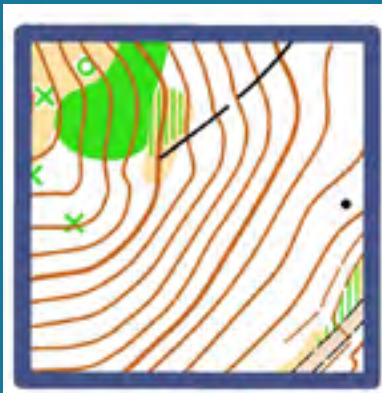
Map of embargoed and training areas:

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/embed?mid=1Q4DYPxWTeDx-pHCiVL5eThA8qIfcGpHk&ehb=c=2E312F>



SAMPLE MAP OF COMPETITION TERRAIN

Pre01



Pre02



Temp0



Relay



TEAM OFFICIALS MEETINGS

Team Officials Meetings will be held at **Hotel Vulcan** according to the following schedule:

- 30 July 2026, 19:00 – TempO Team Officials Meeting
- 31 July 2026, 20:30 – PreO Team Officials Meeting
- 2 August 2026, 19:00 – Relay Team Officials Meeting

All Team Officials' Meetings (TOM) will be held exclusively in an in-person format.

Questions may be submitted in advance by email to kontakt@bno.szczecin.pl no later than **one hour before each meeting**.

The final presentation slides, including questions and answers discussed during the meeting, will be uploaded to **IOF Eventor** within **30 minutes after the closure of the meeting**.

The meetings will provide final competition information, last-minute updates and an opportunity for Team Officials to ask questions regarding the organisation of the respective competitions.

PARKING

Parking is in the competition centre.

DEVIATIONS FROM IOF RULES

No deviations from the current IOF Trail Orienteering Competition Rules are planned.

ACCESSIBILITY

All competition arenas, quarantine areas and official event venues will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Accessible toilet facilities will be available at all competition arenas and key event locations.

Information regarding transport services provided by the organisers will be published in Bulletin 4 and communicated at the relevant Team Officials Meeting.

LIVE COVERAGE SERVICE

Live results will be available throughout the event. Official event information, news, photographs and important announcements will be published on the ETOC 2026 website, IOF Eventor and the organiser's social media channels.

MEDIA

Media representatives are welcome to cover the ETOC 2026 competitions. Media representatives will receive a special "Press" ID card at the Event Centre.

Contact for media:

Aleksandra Czerwińska ola.sq2gp@gmail.com
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AWARDS

Awards will be presented in accordance with the IOF Trail Orienteering Competition Rules and the IOF Protocol.

Gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded to the first three competitors or teams in each official ETOC category. Diplomas will be awarded for places 1–6.

Flower ceremonies for the top three competitors or teams in each category will be held after the results become official.

FLOWER CEREMONY

The Flower Ceremony will be held in the competition arena as soon as the results become official.

Flowers will be awarded to the **top three competitors/teams in each category**.

The ceremony is intended to recognise the medal contenders immediately after the competition, while the official medal ceremonies will take place according to the event schedule.

Training competitions will be organised in the year leading up to ETOC on relevant terrains and maps.

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Prices for individual training maps:

Laser printed maps: 7 €/piece

OCAD file - If you are interested please contact us

Contact: Bartłomiej Mazan
email: barmaz5@vp.pl or telephone +48 668 009 601

PUBLIC RACE

Public Race competitions will be organised during ETOC 2026.

PreO – a Public Race will be available on both PreO competition days.

TempO – it will be possible to compete on the TempO Qualification course after the official competition has been completed.

Further information regarding entries, timetable and entry fees will be published on the ETOC 2026 website before the Championships.

VISA

Please check the following link with a list of citizens of countries, who need visa to enter Poland:

<https://www.gov.pl/web/diplomacy/visas>

MEDICAL CARE

During all competitions there will be an ambulance available at the arena for all ETOC participants, team officials and guests. The phone number for emergencies in Poland is 112.

HEALTH INSURANCE

The Event Organiser will not bear any responsibility related to the cost of medical services for the participants. Each Federation is responsible for the health insurance of all their delegates.

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