

INFORMATION REGARDING SPLITTING OF THE MEN'S CLASS IN XXVIII SUUNTO GAMES

Due to a very high number of registered participants in the Men's class* on XXVIII Suunto Games (01.-02.10.2016), organisers have sought and received the permission to split the Men's class into two separate classes. Both of the classes will keep WRE status and runners will receive points. Women's class will not be affected.

* i.e. Men's class registered through [IOF Eventor](#).

BACKGROUND:

As the first start of the competition is 13:00 local time, start interval is 3 minutes, estimated winning time is 90 minutes and sunset is 18:45, late starters would be in danger of running in darkness, creating unfair conditions.

PROCESS:

Men's class will be split into two classes (possible names M21E-1 and M21E-2) based on the [IOF World Ranking](#) as of 10.09.2016. The number of runners will be closest to equal in both of the classes with M21E-1 with the higher World Ranking scores and M21E-2 with lower score. The split classes will be used for both of the competition days to be able to calculate the sum of two days.

On 01.10., the two classes will run different courses of similar length. On 02.10., the two classes will run the same course one after another creating continuous start list as on a usual WRE.

Participants do not need to amend their entries, make a new entry etc. Start lists for both of the classes will be published after 26.09.

World Ranking points will be calculated for both of the classes on both of the days.

REFUND:

Organisers will offer refunds to those runners that decide not to participate in XXVIII Suunto Games due to splitting of the Men's class.

For refund, please write to sg2016@woc2017.ee to agree on the details before 26.09.2016. NB! Please write about your decision not to participate even if the organiser has not yet received your payment.

The decisions are based on the [Guidelines for World Ranking Events \(WRE\)](#), consultations with the IOF Event Adviser and the [IOF Office](#).

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