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DEAR ORIENTEERING FRIENDS AROUND THE WORLD...



ON BEHALF OF BRITISH ORIENTEERING I AM VERY PLEASED TO WELCOME COMPETITORS, TEAM LEADERS, OFFICIALS, SPECTATORS AND GUESTS TO THE 2015 IOF WORLD ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS IN SCOTLAND. GREAT BRITAIN HAS HOSTED THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS TWICE BEFORE, IN 1976 AND 1999, AND ON BOTH THOSE OCCASIONS IT WAS HELD IN SCOTLAND, WHICH HAS SOME OF THE NATION'S FINEST ORIENTEERING TERRAIN. IN 2015 WE WILL RETURN AGAIN TO THE HIGHLANDS OF SCOTLAND.

The World Championships will be held in collaboration with the highly successful Scottish 6-Days competition, which was first held in 1977 as part of the legacy of the first World Championships in Scotland. Having been held every two years since then, it has grown into a well-established and high-quality multi-day event that has over 3,000 competitors each time. We expect that for Highland 2015 there will be at least 5,000 competitors.

We are very pleased to have the support of EventScotland, which has tremendous experience in hosting high-profile international sporting events, such as the 2014 Commonwealth Games and Ryder Cup golf. We are confident that their involvement in the hosting of WOC 2015 will help us to raise the profile of orienteering within the international sporting community.

Scotland is a fantastic mix of stunning landscapes, wildlife and wonderful local produce, combined with a thriving arts and culture scene, and topped off with a colourful history of epic battles and historic castles. Whether you are a competitor, official, spectator or guest at the World Orienteering Championships, we are sure you will find it a memorable and enjoyable experience. Welcome to Highland 2015!

Martin Ward (Chairman, British Orienteering)



THE SCOTTISH ORIENTEERING ASSOCIATION IS THE GOVERNING BODY OF ORIENTEERING IN SCOTLAND AND EXTENDS A VERY WARM SCOTTISH WELCOME TO ALL ATHLETES AND THEIR SUPPORTERS WHO WILL BE ATTENDING THE WORLD ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015 AND THE SCOTTISH 6-DAYS FESTIVAL IN HIGHLAND AND MORAY DISTRICTS, "CEUD MÌLE FÀILTE".

We like to think that Scottish orienteering punches above its weight (our membership is only a little over 1,500) in terms of the quality of its events, premier amongst these being the biennial 6-Days Festival, and we will be working hard to make sure that your stay here is both very enjoyable and successful.

Roger Scrutton (President, Scottish Orienteering Association)



ON BEHALF OF THE SCOTTISH ORIENTEERING 6-DAY EVENT COMPANY, I OFFER A WARM WELCOME TO ALL WHO WILL BE VISITING OUR COUNTRY IN 2015.

The 6-Day Company are delighted to be working in partnership with British Orienteering and the Scottish Orienteering Association to stage Highland 2015, comprising the World Orienteering Championships and the Scottish 6-Day Event. The 6-Day event was the natural choice to complement the WOC races; the first 6-Day event was in 1977 and over the years it has earned a high reputation for technical and organisational quality. We will ensure that the standards we have set are maintained at Highland 2015, the 20th Scottish 6-Day event. The programme is being designed to give 6-Day competitors the opportunity to run on WOC terrain with WOC maps, as well as spectating at the WOC races and cheering on their national team members.

A year of hard work lies ahead to deliver an event of the highest quality. Our aim is for an unforgettable orienteering experience for all competitors, spectators and supporters.

Anne Hickling (Chairman, Scottish Orienteering 6-Day Event Co. Ltd.)



A WARM WELCOME TO THE 2015 WORLD ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS IN SCOTLAND.



WE LOOK FORWARD TO PRESENTING OUR INCREDIBLE FOREST, MOORLAND AND MOUNTAIN TERRAINS, ALONG WITH SOME FANTASTIC HIGHLAND HOSPITALITY. THE AREAS AND ARENAS WE ARE USING FOR THE RACES ARE AMONGST THE FINEST THAT CAN BE FOUND ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD, AND WILL PROVIDE A CHALLENGING TEST FOR ATHLETES, AND AN EXCITING EXPERIENCE FOR SPECTATORS.

We have a great team of dedicated and talented volunteers and staff working very hard behind the scenes to produce an incredible WOC – our vision is that WOC 2015 will be a great athlete experience: registration, status, venues, arenas, maps, courses and all other ancillary functions. Athletes will leave Scotland saying “best WOC ever”.

WOC has great support from a wide range of organisations, both within the sport (British Orienteering, Scottish Orienteering, Scottish 6-Days, our clubs), and outside the sport (Event Scotland, Highland Council, Moray Council, and many others). We are working closely with the well-established Scottish 6-Days event which will be run alongside WOC.

This will be the third time that Scotland has hosted WOC – the previous occasions being 1976 and 1999. In fact, Darnaway Forest, one of the iconic 1976 venues, will be used again in 2015.

Scotland is the perfect stage for hosting major events such as WOC – we have great experience, support and resources – the examples of the Commonwealth Games and Ryder Cup in 2014 are a good illustration.

We look forward to seeing you soon in Bonnie Scotland!

Paul McGreal, WOC 2015 Event Director

INVERNESS – EVENT CENTRE WITH EASY ACCESS

The Event Centre will be Inverness in northern Scotland (latitude 57.4717 °N, 4.2254°W). All races will be held within easy driving distance of Inverness – see location map.

Nearest airports are at Inverness, Aberdeen, Edinburgh and Glasgow.

Currently there are scheduled flights to Inverness Airport from Amsterdam, London Gatwick, Birmingham, Manchester and other UK airports.

Aberdeen Airport has direct flights from Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Dublin, Frankfurt, Paris, Stavanger, London (Heathrow, Gatwick and City airports) and other UK airports.

Edinburgh and Glasgow have busy international airports with direct flights from European countries and from further afield.

A good railway service operates to Inverness from London, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Aberdeen. These cities are also linked by express coach services.

Vehicle hire facilities are available in Inverness and at all the airports. The journey by road from either Edinburgh or Glasgow airports to Inverness takes about 3 hours.



WOC PROGRAMME

World Championships Programme				Scottish 6-Days Programme		
Date	Time	Event	Place	Time	Event	Place
Thu 30 Jul	1000-2000	Event Centre opens	Inverness College UHI			
Fri 31 Jul	1000-1600	Model Sprint Relay	Dingwall			
	1000-1600	Model Sprint Qualification	Dingwall			
	1000-1600	Model Sprint Final	Dingwall			
	1900-2000	Team Officials Meeting: Sprints	Event Centre			
Sat 1 Aug	1000-1300	Model Middle Distance, Relay	Reelig			
	1000-1300	Model Long Distance	Rogie and Achily			
	1400-1500	Technical Model Event	Event Centre			
	1700-1730	Opening Ceremony	Nairn			
	1800-1915	Sprint Relay	Nairn			
	2000-2015	Award ceremony Sprint Relay				
Sun 2 Aug	0900-1100	Sprint Qualification	Forres	1000-1630	Day 1	Keppernach
	1700-1930	Sprint Final	Forres			
	1945-2000	Award ceremony Sprint				
Mon 3 Aug	1000-1300	Model Middle Distance, Relay	Reelig	1000-1630	Day 2	Glen Strathfarrar
	1000-1300	Model Long Distance	Rogie and Achily			
	1900-2000	Team Officials Meeting: Middle	Event Centre			
Tue 4 Aug	1200-1530	Middle Distance	Darnaway			
	1530-1540	Award ceremony Middle				
	1900-2000	Team Officials Meeting: Relay	Event Centre			
Wec 5 Aug	1400-1800	Relay	Darnaway	1000-1630	Day 3	Darnaway
	1750-1800	Award ceremony Relay				
Thu 6 Aug	1600-1730	IOF/VIP/Media race	Darnaway	1000-1630	Day 4	Darnaway
	1900-2000	Team Officials Meeting: Long	Event Centre			
Fri 7 Aug	1000-1700	Long Distance	Glen Affric	1000-1630	Day 5	Glen Affric
	1645-1700	Award ceremony Long				
	1700-1715	Closing Ceremony				
	2030-0000	Banquet & Athletes' Party				
Sat 8 Aug				1000-1630	Day 6	Glen Affric

The WOC programme is sensitive to the demands and needs of the athletes but inevitably there have had to be a number of compromises, including staging the Sprint Relay in advance of the Sprint Qualification and Sprint Final. The WOC programme was announced in Bulletin 1 and has the full approval of the Senior Event Advisor.



Credit Martin Ward

CLASSES AND ENTRY REGULATIONS

THE 2015 EDITION OF THE COMPETITION RULES FOR IOF FOOT ORIENTEERING EVENTS WILL BE APPLIED TO PARTICIPATION IN THE 2015 WORLD ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS. THE 2014 RULES STATE THAT, FOR THE WOC:

- There is one class for women and one class for men. There are no age restrictions (Rule 5.7)
- A competitor may represent only one Federation during any one calendar year (Rule 6.1)
- Competitors who are representing a Federation shall have full passport-holding citizenship of the country of that Federation (Rule 6.2)

All competitors represent a Federation. Each Federation may enter a team with an unlimited number of competitors and officials.



ENTRIES PER RACE

In the **Sprint 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 Sprint Final, only the competitors placed number 15 and better in each qualification race heat may participate (Rule 6.6).

For the **Middle and Long Distance** competitions, the number of competitors per Federation who may enter is limited and is based on results from the previous two World Championships. There are separate quotas for men and women for each Federation and the allocation method is published as Special Rules decided by IOF Council. The allocations are published at the latest by January 31st in the year of the Competition (Rule 6.7).

The 2014 Special Rules provide, separately for men and women, for 8 nations having 3 start slots, 14 nations having 2 start slots and all other nations having 1 start slot in the Middle and Long distance races. Additionally, the current World Champion has a slot provided he or she is a member of the Federation's team.

In the **Sprint Relay**, each Federation may enter one team consisting of 4 team members of whom at least two must be women. Incomplete teams and teams with runners from more than one Federation are not allowed.

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.



TERRAIN DESCRIPTION

NAIRN

The Sprint Relay will take place in the attractive seaside town of Nairn on the Moray Firth. The competition terrain will include complex old town with areas of parkland and dunes ensuring fast running, together with many options in route choice.



FORRES



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The Sprint Qualification and Sprint Final will be staged in the former Royal Burgh of Forres. This small town is renowned for impressive parks and gardens with their floral structures, and these will be appreciated from the main race arena near the centre of town. The competitions will include a range of types of terrain from housing estate with extensive path networks to complex old town with many 'vennels' (small lanes and minor roads). There are also several areas of parkland and steep open woodland with an extensive path network.

NAIRN



TERRAIN DESCRIPTION

DARNAWAY

The Middle Distance and Relay will both be staged in Darnaway, seat of the Earls of Moray for many centuries. The current Earl (the WOC 2015 Patron) was present at WOC 1976 in Darnaway, where Men and Women battled out the Long Distance. The race arena will be in sight of Darnaway Castle. This extensive well-managed forest has a mixture of woodland types, with open pinewood (with ground cover of heather and dwarf shrubs), denser pine, and areas of broadleaves, especially beech. There are multi-tiered levels of vegetation, particularly in the beech wood, and both runnability and visibility will vary throughout the courses. The terrain is rolling, with steep slopes above the River Findhorn. There are complex contours due to glacial moraine features. There are some rough open areas (felled a few years ago), some open fields, and there is a non-linear track network.



DARNAWAY CASTLE



DARNAWAY

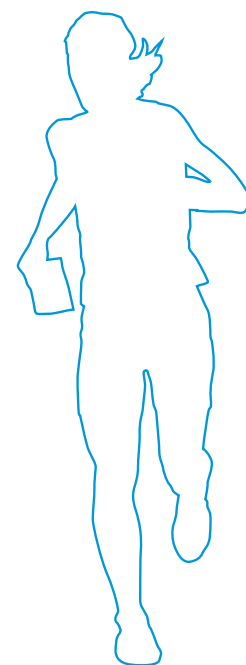
GLEN AFFRIC

The Long Distance will take place in Glen Affric, by common consent the finest of all of Scotland's glens (valleys). The race arena is set within a few kilometres of the picturesque conservation village of Tomich, allowing access to what the Forestry Commission Scotland describe as "a classic landscape of perfectly-placed lochs, mountains and a wonderful mix of pine, birch and oak trees. The woodland is one the best examples of the Caledonian Forest that once covered much of Scotland. The rich environment is an important haven for wildlife, so the whole glen is protected as a National Nature Reserve".

The terrain is hilly but generally there is good runnability throughout the area. There is localised deep heather, very little bracken and few paths or tracks in the area.

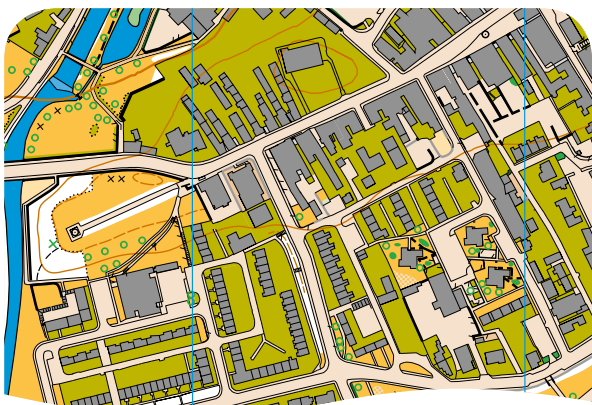
COURSE LENGTHS

Competition	Winning time, men	Length of the course, men	Winning time, women	Length of the course, women
Sprint Relay	55-60 per team			
Sprint Qualification and Final	12-15	4.0 km	12-15	3.25 km
Middle Distance	30-35	6.5 km	30-35	5.4 km
Relay	90-105	3 x 7.0 km	90-105	3 x 5.7 km
Long Distance	90-100	15.0-16.0 km	70-80	10-10.5 km

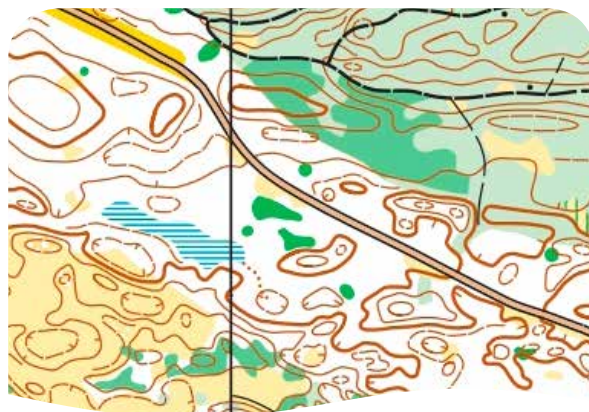


PLANNERS, MAPPERS, MAP SCALES AND CONTOURS, PREVIOUS USE

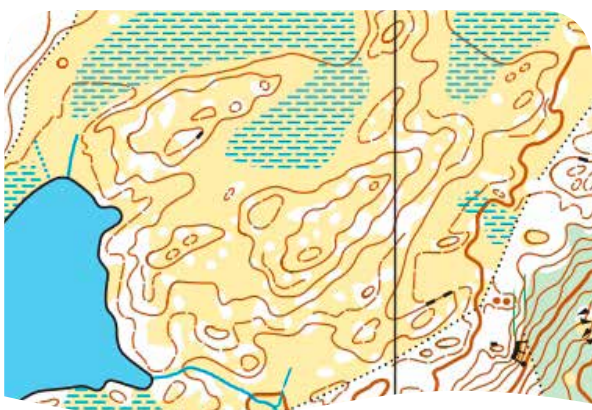
Venue	Competition	Planner	Mapper	Scale	Contours	Remarks
Nairn	Mixed Sprint Relay	Dave Robertson	Steve Smirthwaite	1:4,000	2.5m	Not previously used for orienteering
Forres	Sprint Qualification Sprint Final	Tim Sands	Steve Smirthwaite	1:4,000	2.5m	No significant national or international orienteering events
Darnaway	Middle Distance	Graeme Ackland	Jon Musgrave	1:10,000	5m	First used for WOC 1976. Last major event WOC 1999. Re-mapped using LiDAR
Darnaway	Relay	Graeme Ackland	Jon Musgrave	1:10,000	5m	As above
Glen Affric	Long Distance	Steve Nicholson	Stirling Surveys	1:15,000	5m	First used WOC 1999. No significant national or international events since 1999. Partially mapped with LiDAR



MAP SAMPLE – FORRES



MAP SAMPLE – DARNAWAY



MAP SAMPLE – GLEN AFFRIC



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PUNCHING, TIMING AND GPS TRACKING

The SPORTident punching system will be used in all WOC 2015 competitions - the standard contact solution for all races except for the Mixed Sprint Relay, where the touch-free version of SPORTident Air+ system will be used (subject to IOF approval).

In the Sprint Final an electronic start gate will be used.

Tracking devices will be used in all races, using equipment provided by the organisers.

CLOTHING AND SAFETY RULES

For forest competitions, competitors must wear clothing that fully covers their torso and legs. There are no restrictions for the sprint competitions.

Any type of footwear can be worn in the competitions, including spiked shoes (dobs).

The organisers may mandate the carrying of lightweight waterproof/windproof tops for the Long Distance competition. Competitors are recommended to carry whistles in the Long Distance.



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CLIMATE IN AUGUST

The average temperature in the Moray Firth area (Nairn, Forres and Darnaway) in August is around 18.5°C, with 60 mm of rainfall. In early August 16 hours of sunshine in a day is not exceptional but heavy rain and wind is not unknown. In Glen Affric, parts of the competition area are above 400 metres in altitude so average temperatures will be a few degrees cooler. Both blistering heat and snow showers can occur in the Scottish Mountains in August, and athletes must be prepared to cope with these variations.

QUARANTINE AREAS

With the exception of the Long Distance competition, quarantine areas will be located close to the race arenas. Quarantine areas will include basic shelter and facilities such as toilets and water supply.

ANTI-DOPING

The organisers of WOC 2015 are fully committed to supporting the efforts of the anti-doping authorities. The IOF Anti-Doping Rules valid at the time of the event will apply. A new World Anti-Doping Code will come into effect on 1st January 2015.

All necessary information can be found in the Anti-Doping section of the IOF website.



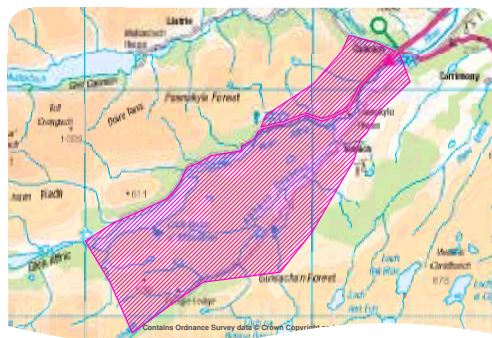
EMBARGOED AREAS

WITH REFERENCE TO IOF COMPETITION RULE 26.5, THE AREAS INDICATED ON THE LOCATION MAP ON PAGE 3, AND SHOWN ON THE MORE DETAILED MAPS THAT FOLLOW, ARE EMBARGOED.

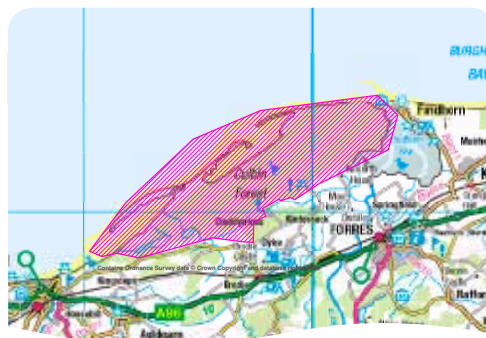
This embargo applies to all potential WOC 2015 team members (runners, team leaders, coaches, doctors, etc.) and to all others with strong links to elite squads.

Spelt out in detail, this means that for such people:

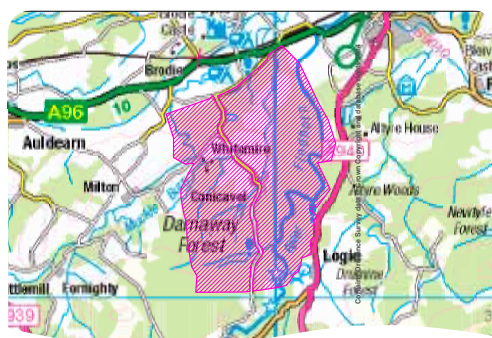
- No organised orienteering of any kind may take place in the embargoed areas until after WOC 2015
- No training sessions, i.e. running/races, testing route choices etc. are allowed in these areas
- No-one with potential connections to a team (athlete or any other function) may visit the embargoed terrain
- In the towns of Nairn, Forres and Elgin, access is permitted in the embargoed areas until further notice. However use of orienteering maps, running training of all kinds and route-choice testing is not allowed in these areas.



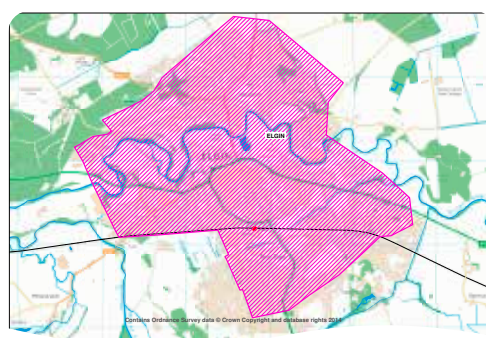
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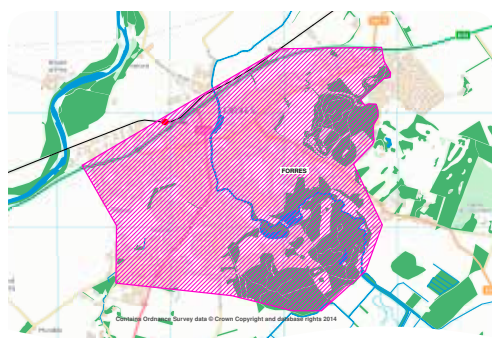
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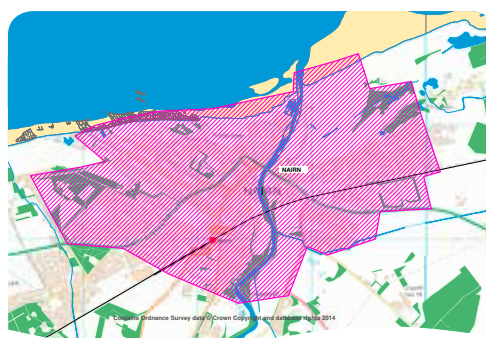
DARNAWAY



ELGIN



FORRES



NAIRN

Copies of the most recent versions of orienteering maps of these areas can be found on the WOC website www.woc2015.org.

FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT EMBARGOES INCLUDING LINKS TO GOOGLE MAPS, TOGETHER WITH PREVIOUS AREAS WHERE RESTRICTIONS HAVE BEEN LIFTED, CAN BE ACCESSED FROM WWW.WOC2015.ORG/INFO/EMBARGOED-AREAS



COMPETITIONS AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Training Areas 14 July - 30 September 2014	Areas selected for their similarity to WOC 2015 competition areas, all within approx. 30 km of Inverness. Blank and overprinted maps available, with training controls in place. Contact training@woc2015.org to obtain training permits, map packs etc.
Race the Castles 10 October - 19 October 2014	10th-12th October Sprint races in Edinburgh and Stirling including City Race, Euro Tour, World Ranking Event and Park World Tour. 13th-17th October Informal training events in Deeside 18th-19th October Long Distance World Ranking Event at Balmoral. Elite Relays at Forvie (north of Aberdeen)
Scottish Orienteering League 6-7 June 2015	Tullochroisk and Dunalastair, top classic Scottish orienteering terrain previously used for the Scottish Championships, JK and Scottish 6-Days events. Based at Kinloch Rannoch, west of Pitlochry.

Many of the best orienteering areas in Scotland are commercial estates where shooting is carried out, and in some cases there are environmental issues that restrict access at certain times. It is therefore essential that teams obtain a training permit from the WOC 2015 Training Coordinator (training@woc2015.org) before organising their training.

Maps of training areas purchased from WOC 2015 will show prohibited areas. To avoid entering a prohibited area, nations should only use official training maps obtained through WOC 2015.

Further training opportunities and formal training camps will be made available in 2015, in particular after JK 2015 (3-6 April, English Lake District) and in the two months before WOC. Full details will be found on the WOC 2015 website nearer the time.

National Team Managers are welcome to contact the Training Coordinator by email at any time to get help and advice in planning training visits.

EVENT CENTRE AND MEDIA CENTRE

The Event Centre will be the newly constructed Inverness College, University of the Highlands and Islands, centred in the new Inverness Campus. The campus is being developed by Highlands and Islands Enterprise, and will be a nationally and internationally significant location for business, research and education.

The official Event Centre for WOC 2015 accreditation, information and the Team Leader Meetings is located on the first floor of the University of the Highlands and Islands (UHI) building. The WOC Media Centre is co-located on the same floor.

The campus is on the east side of Inverness, immediately adjacent to the A9 (routes north and south) and A96 (routes east). There is no accommodation available in the current build phase, but the Event Centre will include the WOC Office, Media Centre, theatre for team meetings etc. and in conjunction with the Scottish 6-Days, camping facilities and a catering outlet. Infrastructure work including landscaping (performance arts area, loch (lake) and extensive tree planting) is complete and the area will be an attractive post-race venue. There is a pedestrian and cyclists bridge linking the campus to the city (2.5 km) and a retail park immediately to the north (less than 1 km).

The Event Centre will be open from Thursday 30th July 2015. Further information about opening times and facilities will be published in Bulletin 3.



ACCOMMODATION

Teams may choose their accommodation freely but may not reside within the embargoed areas delineated in this Bulletin. This limitation does not change with the release of embargoed terrain for training.

Please note that there is very little spare accommodation capacity in Inverness during August, so early return of forms is recommended.

WOC Office will accept requests for accommodation according to the categories below. There is further information on the WOC 2015 website.

Category A and B accommodation will be allocated when forms are received. Once your allocation has been notified, the reservation and method of payment must be confirmed directly with the hotel or Guest House whose details you will be sent.

Category C accommodation will be allocated when forms are received. The payments due must be paid to WOC 2015 according to the instructions on the form and in this bulletin.

All these bookings must be confirmed by 31st March 2015.

Category A ***Hotels (Inverness)	£135 - 155 per room (twin/double) per night including breakfast
Category B (1) Hotels (Inverness) Category B (2) Bed and Breakfast/Guest House (Inverness)	£80 – 120 per room (twin/double/triple) per night including breakfast
Category C (group rooms with showers/toilets on corridor)	WOC 2015 has reserved hostels for our exclusive use including the Scottish Youth Hostel Association hostel in Inverness. There are 1, 2, 4, and 6-bedded rooms. Cost quoted as per room per night allows teams to occupy a room without using all the beds. Breakfast is included. Dinner is an optional extra arranged with the hostel. There is also a self-catering kitchen. 1 bed=£35, 2-bed room=£60, 4-bed room=£120, 6-bed room=£180
Additional options	There are private hotels, Guest Houses and self-catering apartments around Nairn and Forres. For further information http://www.visitnairn.com/ http://www.forresweb.net/

TRANSPORT

For teams, IOF Officials, Guests and Media Representatives a transport package for WOC is offered at a cost of £95 per person. This includes transport to/from model events, competition areas and, where appropriate, WOC Banquet/Athlete Party.

The transport package must be reserved via the relevant form available from the WOC 2015 website. More detailed information will be published in Bulletin 3.

ENTRY INTO THE UK

Representatives of some competing nations will need to apply for Sports Visitor Visas for entry to the UK. Application for a Sports Visa is done online at www.gov.uk/sports-visit-visa/, where all necessary information and guidance for passport holders of all countries can be found.

Applications for visas can be made up to 3 months in advance. Applicants need to have fingerprints and photograph (biometric information) taken at a Visa Application Centre as part of the application. Locations of these for each country are given on the website.



ENTRIES FOR WOC ATHLETES AND TEAM OFFICIALS



Preliminary Entries and requests for transport packages are to be made on the same entry form available on the WOC 2015 website.

Deadline for Preliminary Entries for WOC athletes and team officials: 31st May 2015

Deadline for Final Entries for WOC athletes and team officials: 20th July 2015

Entries will not be valid until receipt of the payment of the entry and accreditation fees. For details for making payments see below.

Accreditation and fees for team members	Price per person
Accreditation fee for athletes	£77
Transport package for WOC	£95
WOC Athlete Party	to follow
Accreditation and entry fee for team official	£175
Entry fee for Sprint (Qualification + Final)	£77
Entry fee for Middle Distance	£63
Entry fee for Long Distance	£63
Entry fee per Relay team	£135
Entry fee per Sprint Relay Team	£135

The accreditation includes: model events, competition maps, start and result lists, travel maps to model events and competition arenas.

The WOC entry and accreditation fees include participation in the WOC competition; they do not include entry to the Scottish 6-Days.

REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION FOR IOF OFFICIALS AND GUESTS

IOF officials and guests are invited to complete an accreditation form available on the WOC 2015 website.

Entry/Accreditation fee of £90 includes:

- Access to VIP tent in the competition arenas
- Competition maps
- Start and result lists
- IOF, VIP and Media race
- Travel maps to competition arenas

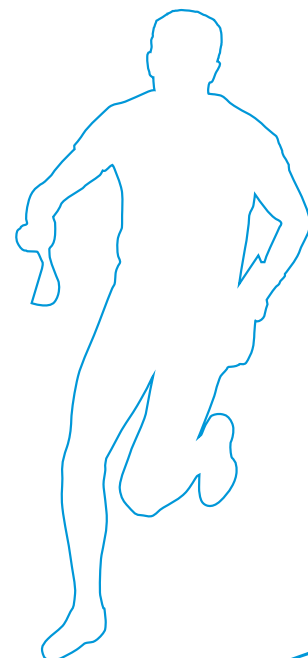
NOTE: Entry for Scottish 6-Days is **not** included

Tickets for the World Championships Banquet at Darnaway Castle (optional) can be booked on the accreditation form.

IOF officials and guests can book a transport package for £95 on the accreditation form.

Payments are to be made as indicated below and on the accreditation form. Entries should be made by 31st March 2015.

Accommodation recommendations can be found elsewhere in this Bulletin.



REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION FOR MEDIA

Media representatives are cordially invited to come to Inverness and to spread their coverage of WOC 2015 from Scotland across the globe. The official Event and Media Centre for WOC 2015 will be in the new University of the Highlands and Islands building in Inverness.

A registration and accreditation form is available on the website. The deadline for receiving the forms is 31st March 2015.

The accreditation fee of £90 includes:

- Access to media areas and services (including start lists and results)
- Competition maps
- Media race
- Travel maps to competition arenas

Media representatives can book a transport package at £95 on their accreditation form. Accommodation recommendations can be found elsewhere in this Bulletin.

PAYMENTS

Payments for entry fees, accreditation, Category C accommodation and transport packages must be made to the following account in British pounds sterling (£, GBP). All bank/transfer charges MUST be met by the payee. Any charges passed on to WOC 2015 or British Orienteering will be recovered before any accreditation is issued.

Account Name	British Orienteering
Reference	WOC2015 +Country of Origin (e.g. WOC2015 Spain)
Bank	Royal Bank of Scotland
Sort code	16-17-30
Account Number	10101583
BIC	RBOS GB 2L
IBAN	GB02 RBOS1617 3010 1015 83

Note: WOC 2015 is currently considering using IOF Eventor which would provide an on-line option, available from January 2015, to make payments for entries/accreditation, transport packages and Category C accommodation. Further information on entry and payment procedures will be given in a supplement to Bulletin 2 which will be published during the autumn.

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT DEADLINES

March 31st 2015

Confirmation of all accommodation requests
Media registration and accreditation forms
IOF Officials and Guests accreditation forms
All requests for transport packages received from WOC teams, Media and IOF officials and guests

May 31st 2015

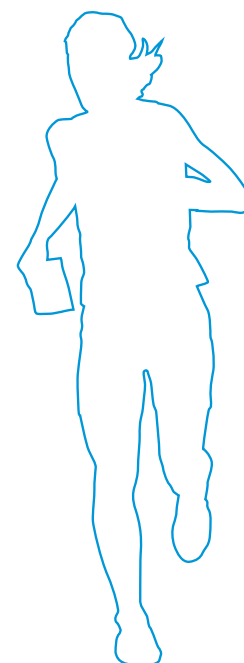
Preliminary entries for WOC athletes and officials

June 30th 2015

All payment for accreditation, category C accommodation and entries

July 20th 2015

Final entries for WOC athletes and officials



MEDIA SERVICES

We look forward to welcoming media representatives from all over the world to portray the exciting events of WOC 2015 on TV and the internet, on radio and in the press.

A full TV package of high professional quality will be available from the Sprint Relay, Sprint Final, Middle Distance and Relay competitions, together with an arena highlights package from the Long Distance race. Nations considering taking direct transmission or highlights summaries should register their interest in the first instance by contacting the WOC 2015 Media Director.

The WOC 2015 Media Centre will be located in the Event Centre on the new Inverness Campus, where full media services and facilities will be available. Extended media facilities will be provided in all race arenas, including full email and internet connectivity.

Special terrain and arena access arrangements will be made available for fully accredited press photographers.

Media Director: Email media.director@woc2015.org.uk

HIGHLAND 2015 - THE SCOTTISH 6-DAYS EVENT

SCOTTISH 6 DAYS
ORIENTEERING
HIGHLAND 2015



Highland 2015 is the 20th Scottish 6-Day event. The first Scottish 6-Day event was held in 1977 and there has been an event held every 2 years since then. It is a multi-day holiday event which attracts orienteers from all over the world, with an average entry in excess of 3,500 competitors.

The 2015 event will be based around Inverness, with three of the days being held in Moray and the other three being held in the glens SW of Inverness. The venues for this year have been chosen in order to allow competitors to both compete in the Scottish 6-Day event on World Championship areas and also to have the opportunity to spectate at the WOC 2015 events.

The areas being used will provide a wide variety of terrain ranging from ancient Caledonian Forest to open moorland, birch and beech woodland to complex moraine areas. This year, 6-Day competitors will also be able to compete in urban events in the same areas as the WOC Sprint races.

Saturday 1 August	Campsite book in	Inverness
	S6D Registration	Event Centre
	Spectate Mixed Sprint Relay	Nairn
	Open Sprint	Nairn
Sunday 2 August	Day 1	Keppernach
	Spectate Sprint Final	Forres
Monday 3 August	Day 2	Glen Strathfarrar
Tuesday 4 August	Highland O-Fest Day	Darnaway
	Urban event	Forres
	Spectate Middle Distance	Darnaway
Wednesday 5 August	Day 3 (Middle Distance race)	Darnaway
	Spectate Relay	Darnaway
Thursday 6 August	Day 4	Darnaway
Friday 5 August	Day 5	Glen Affric
	Spectate Long Distance	Glen Affric
Saturday 6 August	Day 6	Glen Affric

■ 6-Day events
■ Opportunities to spectate at WOC



ORGANISATION

The 2015 World Orienteering Championships will be organised under the auspices of Highland 2015, which also includes the Scottish 6-Days event. A Steering Group brings together representatives of British Orienteering, the Scottish Orienteering Association, the Scottish 6-Day Event, Highland Council and EventScotland together with the WOC Event Director. WOC 2015 and the Scottish 6-Days have separate Organising Committees that are working closely together.

WOC 2015 STEERING GROUP

Martin Ward	Chairman, British Orienteering
Mike Hamilton	Chief Executive, British Orienteering
Roger Scrutton	President, Scottish Orienteering Association
Paul McGreal	Event Director, WOC 2015
Anne Hickling	Chairman, Scottish Orienteering 6-Day Event Co. Ltd.
Reni Milburn	Moray Council
Richard Oxlade	Scottish 6-Days Coordinator
John MacDonald	Highland Council
Stuart Turner	EventScotland

WOC 2015 ORGANISING COMMITTEE

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Scotland

The Perfect Stage

2015 is an exciting year for Scotland as it welcomes back the World Orienteering Championships as part of Highland 2015 from 1 - 8 August.

Incorporating both the World Championships and the Scottish 6 Days, Highland 2015 is a highly anticipated event. With WOC and the 6 Days sharing arenas on selected days, Highland 2015 will provide a platform for seeing the world's best athletes in action, whilst also giving 6 Days runners the chance to compete on the challenging and inspiring World Championship terrain.

EventScotland is a proud supporter of the Highland 2015 events.

For more information please visit: **WOC2015.org**