

# World Masters Orienteering Championships 2015

## Gothenburg, Sweden

### Bulletin 1

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#### Venue

The event will be organized in Gothenburg, i.e. right in the heart of Scandinavia, situated on the beautiful west coast of Sweden. The strategic location between the Swedish, Danish and Norwegian capitals makes it a true gateway.

#### Programme

##### Friday, July 24

Event centre is opened

##### Saturday, July 25

Model event sprint and Opening Ceremony

##### Sunday, July 26

Sprint qualification

##### Monday, July 27

Sprint final

Prize giving ceremony

##### Tuesday, July 28

Rest day

Model event long distance

##### Wednesday, July 29

Long distance qualification I

##### Thursday, July 30

Long distance qualification II

Banquet

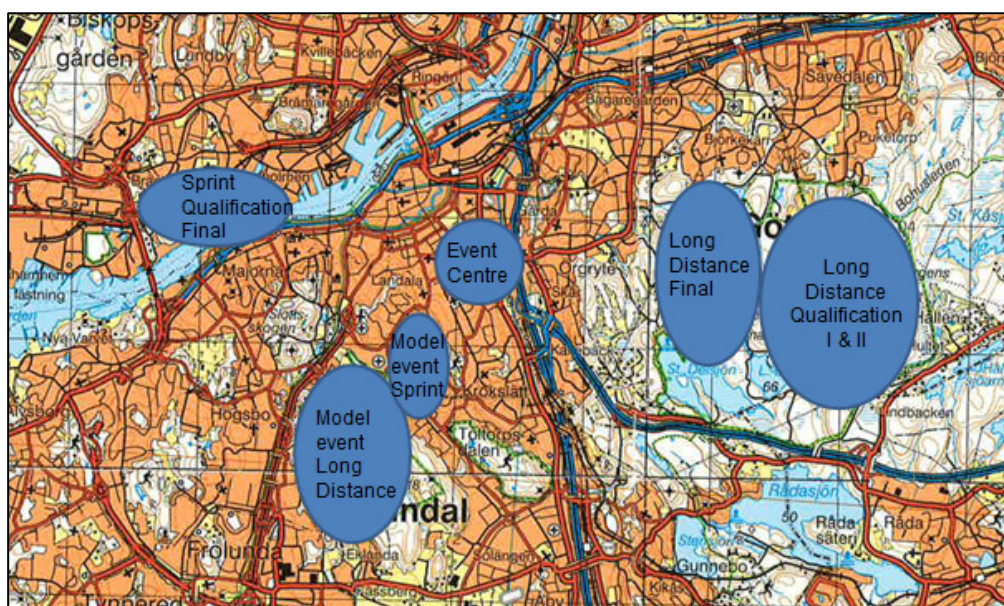
##### Friday, July 31

Rest day

##### Saturday, August 1

Long distance final

Prize giving and Closing Ceremony



## Competitions

All competitions will take place close to the city centre, “Just Around The Corner”, and in accordance with IOF Competition Rules and recommended winning times.

**Sprint:** Competitions with a qualification and a final race. The first 80 competitors of each class will qualify for A-final, the following 80 for B-final, and so on.



Both the sprint qualification and final will take place at Eriksberg, the

Northern Bank of the river Göta älv. This part of the city was formerly a large industrial area that has now been transformed into a modern district of Gothenburg, with both residential and office premises incorporated into central Gothenburg. Distance to the city centre about 4 km

**Long Distance:** Competitions with two qualification races and a final race. Based on the overall results (qualifying races), the first 80 competitors of each class will qualify for A- final, next 80 for B-final, etc.



The long distance competitions will be organized in Delsjön, a large recreation area in the eastern part of the city. The long distance qualification I and II will take place on

the eastern sections of the area that consists of several paths following the significant north to south running ridges. Between the ridges and on the plateau there are several marshes and lakes. The distance to the city centre is 10 km.

The long distance final will be west of the qualification area. The character of the area is

similar to the qualification area in several respects but close to the competition centre the terrain is less hilly and contains more paths. The distance to the city centre is 5 km.

## Classes

World Masters categories for all runners born in 1980 or earlier: W/M 35-, 40-, 45-, 50-, 55-, 60-, 65-, 70-, 75-, 80-, 85-, 90-, 95-

## Punching System

SPORTIdent punching system with SI-Card. SI-cards maybe hired from the organiser by choosing this option in the entry form.

## Open competitions

Open courses will be offered alongside WMOC.

## Maps and embargoed areas

Sprint: ISSOM standard, scale 1:4000, contour interval 2.0 m, made in 2012 and to be surveyed during 2014-15.



Long distance: ISOM standard, scale 1:10000, contour interval 5.0 m. Made in 2007 and to be surveyed in 2014.



The embargoed areas are shown here:  
<http://www.wmoc2015sweden.se/embargoed-areas/>.

## Entries

- 1) Registration will be possible from 20 July, 2014 at [www.wmoc2015sweden.se](http://www.wmoc2015sweden.se).
- 2) It is possible to enter for one competition only (sprint or long distance) if the participant so wishes.
- 3) Entries become valid only by payment of entry fee.

## Event fees (EUR)

Deadline	Accreditation fee	Entry fee Sprint	Entry fee Long distance	Total
31 Dec 2014	50	30	50	130
31 March 2015	70	30	50	150
30 June 2015	110	30	50	190

**Late entries:** From 1 July 2015 a surcharge of 30 EUR will be added provided that vacancies still exist.

The entry fee includes maps for model events and the opening ceremony.

## Cancellation

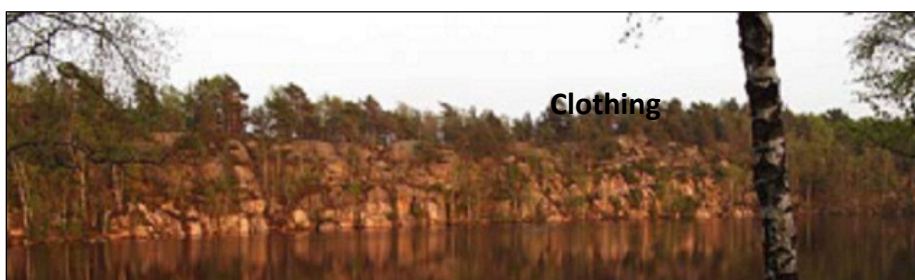
Deadline	Refund
1 June 2015	70 %
30 June 2015	50 %
From 1 July	0 %

## Changes

Until 30 June 2015	Free
From 1 July 2015	10 Eur

## Payment

Payment will be done by credit card or bank transfer according to instructions to be released in July 2014.





## Clothing

Full body coverage (with short sleeves) is mandatory at the long distance competitions. Shoes with rubber studs and metal dobbs are allowed in both sprint and long distance competitions. Spiked shoes are forbidden in all competitions.

## Accommodation

The majority of the Gothenburg hotels are centrally located within easy walking distance of restaurants, entertainment, culture, and shops. All hotels are also easily accessible from the two airports and the railway station. 75% of hotels have green accreditation and most other hotels follow an environmental plan and use eco-friendly products. In total, the region offers 11,000 hotel rooms spanning from top-class to budget. 7,500 of these are close to the city centre. Room rates generally include breakfast buffet. On-line booking will be available from 20 July, 2014 at [www.wmoc2015sweden.se](http://www.wmoc2015sweden.se).

## How to reach Gothenburg

Gothenburg has two international airports, Göteborg Landvetter Airport (GOT) and Göteborg City Airport (GSE) that can be reached from worldwide destinations through direct flights or via short connections in European cities.

Gothenburg is also easily accessible by rail, road or sea. The Öresund Link (Sweden - Denmark) enables convenient travelling by car or high-speed train to/from the continent.

## Transport/Parking

Most of the arenas can be reached by Gothenburg public transport system. Bus transport will be organized from event centre.

**Note:** All arenas can be reached by bike. Bike rent is available on many places in Gothenburg city centre.

It will be possible to use private cars to sprint (qualification and final) and long distance qualification races but not to the long distance final. With regard to environmental

considerations the use of private cars to the arenas is requested to be minimized, however. It will be possible to book parking cards online. Prize information regarding bus transport and parking will be released in July 2014.

## Ceremonies

The opening ceremony will be held in the Garden Society of Gothenburg in the city centre on **Saturday July 25**. This is one of the best preserved 19th century parks in Europe, and is listed in the Michelin Guide. The closing ceremony will be held directly after the long distance final. The official banquet will be organized on Thursday July 30.

## Tourist events

The abundance of culture, entertainment and outdoor activities as well as Gothenburg's spectacular surroundings, closeness to the sea and the stunning archipelago guarantee a whole new event experience.



Gothenburg is Scandinavia's Gastronomic Gem and Gothenburg is the only Swedish city in the international gastronomic network Delice. The coastal location and closeness to the cold waters of the North Sea make Gothenburg a paradise for those who enjoy fish and shellfish.

Gothenburg also has a number of high quality museums, shopping of everything from fashionable boutiques and department stores, to picturesque markets selling crafts, souvenirs and antiques. Gothenburg also has Liseberg Amusement Park which is a fantastic park, not only for those

who enjoy thrilling roller coaster rides but also for people just visiting the park for shows and concerts or for a stroll, admiring the numerous floral displays.

The Gothenburg archipelago is an extraordinary experience. Thousands of islands lie scattered along the west coast all the way up to Oslo, Norway. Discover some of the many untouched gems, and explore the charming little fishing

villages. Here you can find rock carvings dated back to the Bronze Age 1,800-500 BC, impressive fortresses and interesting museums as the Nordic Watercolour Museum.

A tourist program will be released in July 2014.

### **Event centre**

The event centre will be located in Katrinelund Sport Gymnasium and the Sport College of Gothenburg University in the city centre.

### **Climate**

Gothenburg has a typical maritime climate with a temperature in July of around 18-25°C during day time. The days are long, around 18 h, and nights are normally quite light.

### **Visa, assurance**

Visitors from outside EU/ESS may need a visa to enter Sweden, and the Government's visa information website ([http://www.migrationsverket.se/info/136\\_en.html#h-Generalinformationaboutentryvisas](http://www.migrationsverket.se/info/136_en.html#h-Generalinformationaboutentryvisas)) provides details of when visas are required. Each competitor participates in the event on his/her own risk.

### **Child-care**

Child-care will be provided during the competitions. More information will be given in July 2014.



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