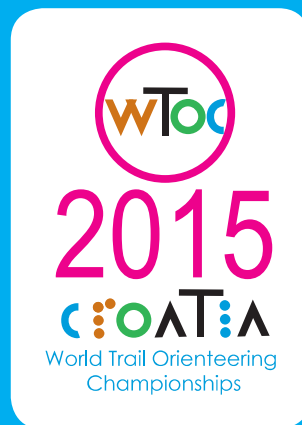


# WORLD TRAIL ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS



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## WELCOME BY THE EVENT DIRECTOR

Dear orienteering friends,

On behalf of the Organizing Committee and executive organizer Orienteering Club "Vihor" I am pleased to welcome all competitors, team leaders, officials and guests to the World Trail Orienteering Championships 2015 in Croatia. Although our country already hosted World Military Orienteering Championships twice, this will be the first IOF event of the highest level in Croatia and we are looking forward to organize it.

Orienteering club "Vihor" currently has about 100 members, including more than 15 former and current members of the National Teams in Trail, MTB and Foot Orienteering - competitors and team leaders. Our first experiences in organizing orienteering events go back to 1960's and up to now we successfully organized a few hundreds. But mostly - our club is all about loving and living orienteering. Organizing WTCO is a big honour, but yet also a big challenge for us.

Trail Orienteering in Croatia has a short history, dating back in 2004 with our first participation at WTCO in Sweden, with only one participant, while in Japan 2005 we were just observers. We can say that the new era begun with the first official team entry on WTCO in 2008 in Czech Republic. Since then we have been regularly participating in WTCO every year and our competitors won 4 individual and 3 team medals.

Croatia will host the World Trail Orienteering Championships in June 2015. We will try our best to make a fair competition with good and precise maps and fair competitive tasks for all participants. Terrains will be challenging, providing opportunities to use different orienteering skills on different types of terrains.

We are also aiming to attract more new nations to Trail Orienteering, so hopefully we will see some new competitors from South East Europe and other parts of the world participating WTCO 2015.

The event will take place in the Croatian capital town Zagreb and in the nearby town of Karlovac. Most events will be held in the close vicinity of the Competition Centre with driving distance less than 5 minutes. The longest distance to reach takes about half an hour driving from the Competition Center.

As never before, you will have the opportunity to stay in a capital city what will provide you large possibilities, not only for sport, but also for some tourist sightseeing, shopping and cultural activities. We believe you will enjoy food specialties and the unique atmosphere of Zagreb and Karlovac. If you find some extra time on your way to or from Croatia we strongly suggest visiting some of our National Parks, historic sites or even spending a few days at the Adriatic coast.

We also invite you to participate in orienteering competitions which will be held in the beautiful region of Međimurje, around towns of Varaždin and Čakovec just prior to WTCO 2015.

I wish all of you a lot of success and good preparations for our event in 2015, hoping that we will manage to organize it on the highest possible level.

**Damir Gobec**  
*Event Director*



## VENUE

The World Trail Orienteering Championships 2015 will be held in Croatia, in the cities Zagreb and Karlovac.

Zagreb is the capital of the Republic of Croatia and an old Central European city. For centuries it has been a focal point of culture, science, commerce and industry. It lies at the intersection of important routes between the Adriatic coast and Central Europe.

Many famous scientists, artists and athletes come from the city, or work here. Zagreb can offer its visitors the baroque atmosphere of the Upper Town, picturesque open-air markets, diverse shopping facilities, an abundant selection of crafts and a choice of traditional cuisine. Zagreb is a city of green parks and walks, with many places to visit in the beautiful surroundings. The city entered into the third millennium with a population of nearly 800,000 inhabitants. In spite of the rapid development of the economy and transportation, it has retained its charm, and a relaxed feeling that makes it a genuinely homely city. Zagreb offers numerous theatres, museums, galleries, art collections, sport centres etc.

One of the events will be held in the city of Karlovac located near to Zagreb but serving as its own municipality. The population of the settlement of Karlovac is about 56,000.

Karlovac is the administrative centre of Karlovac County. The city is located on the Zagreb-Rijeka highway and railway line, 56 kilometres (35 miles) south-west of Zagreb and 130 km (81 miles) from Rijeka.

Croatians know Karlovac as the city of parks and the town on four rivers of which Mrežnica, Korana, and Kupa flow through urban areas, and Dobra is a few kilometers outside the city centre. One of the rarer trees found in the parks is the ginkgo biloba, which local primary school children are taken out to see as part of their classes on nature and society. Most of the parks are planted in the former trenches dug around the old military fort that were once filled with water as an added layer of protection from the marauding Ottoman armies. One part of the city centre maintains the name of Šanac ('the Trench') after the old trenches which preserve the old hexagonal form of the historic centre.



## ORGANISING TEAM

The event will be organised by members of the Orienteering Club “Vihor”, under the auspices of the Croatian Orienteering Federation.

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**Ivana GOBEC** ..... *Mapping*  
**Ivana TEŽAK**..... *Secretary & Finances*  
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**Nenad MIHALJEVIĆ**..... *Logistics*  
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**Neda GOBEC**..... *Protocol*  
**Karlo GOBEC**..... *Protocol*

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*National Controller*

## COMPETITION RULES

The Competition Rules for IOF Trail Orienteering Events (**valid from 1 January 2014**) shall apply to the World Trail Orienteering Championships 2015. Copy of the Rules is available for download from the Rules section in the official IOF website ([www.orienteering.org](http://www.orienteering.org)).

The following deviation of the Competition Rules applies:

Rule 3.3: *The programme shall include a two-day PreO competition with one course on each day, and a Tempo competition. **The Tempo competition will have a qualification and final on the same day.** The second day of the PreO competition is also the World PreO Team Championship competition.*

Rule deviation: ... ***The Tempo competition will have a qualification and final on separate days.*** ...

## EVENT PROGRAMME

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Mon, Jun 22 National Holiday	Event Office Opens Arrivals	Zagreb, Event Centre Zagreb
Tue, Jun 23	Model Event 1 Opening Ceremony	Zagreb, Maksimir Zagreb, Bundek
Wed, Jun 24	PreO - Day 1	Zagreb, Sesvete
Thu, Jun 25 National Holiday	TempO - Qualifications	Karlovac
Fri, Jun 26	TempO - Finals Model Event 2	Zagreb, Blato Zagreb, Blato
Sat, Jun 27	PreO - Day 2 Awards Ceremony Closing Ceremony & Banquet	Zagreb, Blato Zagreb, Blato Zagreb
Sun, Jun 28	PreO Relay - Demo Event Departures	Zagreb Zagreb
Mon, Jun 29	Departures	Zagreb

## TRAINING POSSIBILITIES

On request, WTOC organisers can provide maps and opportunities for team preparations for WTOC 2015 on similar or nearby terrains.

Official training camp will be provided along with a 2-day TrailO event which will be held in September 2014.

Additionally, on weekend just before the Championships, there will be public TrailO competition organized by Orienteering Club "Međimurje" near the city of Varaždin, 90 km north of Zagreb.

More information about all these events will be published in the official WTOC website.

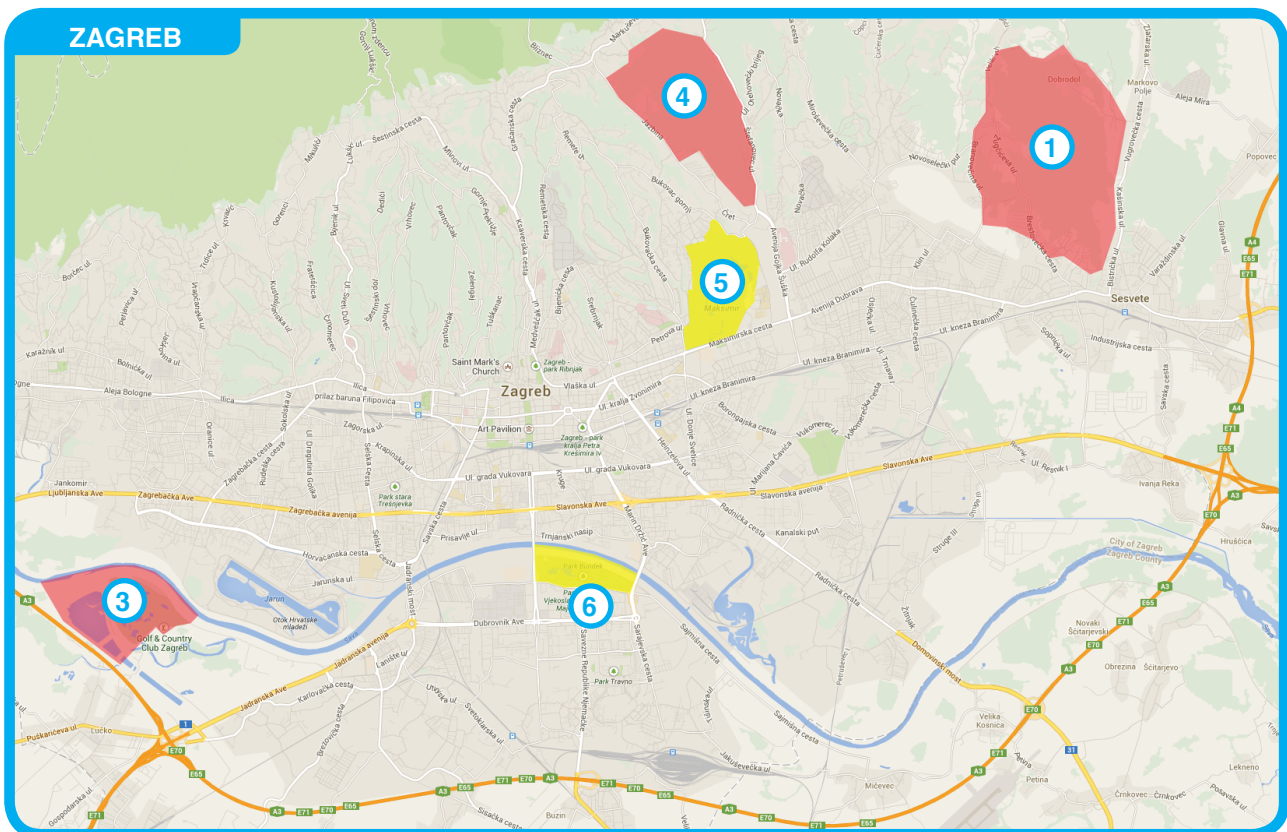
## EMBARGOED AREAS



1. Divjača (Sesvete, Zagreb)
2. Karlovac
3. Blato (Zagreb)
4. Dotrščina (Zagreb) - backup terrain
5. Maksimir (Zagreb)
6. Budek (Zagreb)

All embargoed areas marked red (numbered 1 - 4) are out of bounds for all potential WTOC 2015 team members (competitors, officials, escorts...) and any other person who may influence the results of the competitions by any knowledge of the terrain.

Yellow areas (numbered 5 & 6) are open for all regular human activities except Trail Orienteering.





## TERRAINS AND PREVIOUS MAPS

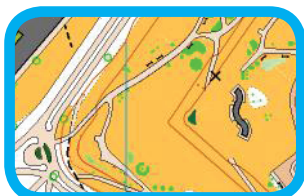


### 1. DIVJAČA

1:10000, e=5m, 1989, ISOM (Lat, Lon: 45.85006, 16.0960)

Clear continental forest; steep hills with terrain details; small watercourses which can be dry.

Last FootO competitions held in early 1990's. Never used for TrailO.



### 2. KARLOVAC

1:5000, e=2,5m, 2010, ISSOM (Lat, Lon: 45.49167, 15.5581)

Urban area and city parks; flat terrain with subtle terrain details; open and semi-open areas; river runs through the terrain.

Last FootO competitions held in 2011. Never used for TrailO.

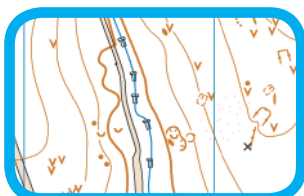


### 3. BLATO

(Lat, Lon: 45.77974, 15.8921)

Golf terrain; open and semi-open areas; flat terrain with numerous subtle terrain details; many lakes.

Terrain never used for Orienteering.



### 4. DOTRŠČINA

1:4000, e=5m, 2011, ISSOM (Lat, Lon: 45.84829, 16.0232)

Memorial area; continental forest; steep hills with terrain details, many pits, small watercourses which can be dry.

Last TrailO competition held in 2011.



### 5. MAKSIMIR

1:4000, e=5m, 2011, ISSOM (Lat, Lon: 45.82925, 16.0201)

City park; continental forest; some open areas; low hills; many terrain details; usually dry small watercourses; some lakes.

Last TrailO competitions held in 2011.



### 6. BUNDEK

1:4000, e=2,5m, 2008, ISSOM (Lat, Lon: 45.78484, 15.99051)

City park and recreational area; flat terrain with subtle terrain details; open and semi-open areas; a lake.

Last TrailO competition held in 2009.

Whole samples of the previously existing maps are available for preview and download from the official WTOC website.



## EVENT PATRONS



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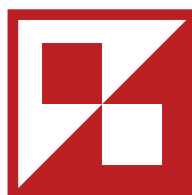
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