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Welcome to WOC 2018

Team Officials Meeting, August 3, 18:00-19:00
Sprint Q, Sprint F and Sprint Relay





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Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Sprint Qualification
- Sprint Final
- Sprint Relay
- Weather forecast
- Questions



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Introduction

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Jury

Helge Lang Pedersen (DEN)

Jerzy Antonowicz (POL)

Unni Strand Karlsen (NOR) 4 - 8 August

David Rosen (GBR) 9 - 11 August

Blair Trewin (AUS)

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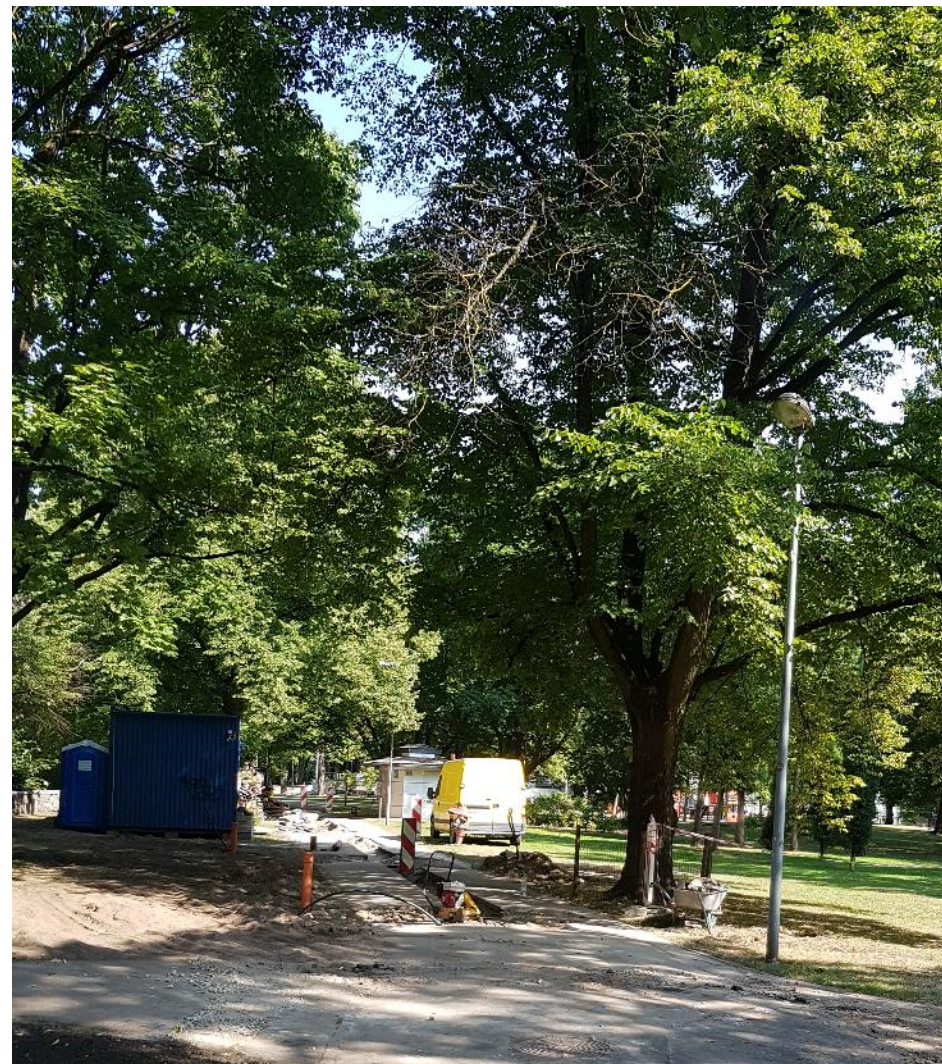
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Sprint Qualification

New construction work in the beginning of the second part of the competition:

a small ditch which is not on the map.

It should not affect the competition





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Sprint Final

At the beginning of the coaching zone is a table with refreshments
→ Water only will be provided.

Arena passage is along the finish run in and turns about 20 m before the finish line to the right:

A sign shows the direction «NEXT LOOP»

The leader of the race has to take place on the leader chair on the stage.



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Sprint Relay

- **It's** allowed for athletes and coaches to visit the arena before Quarantine closes
- The control codes are printed next to the control number → see Bulletin 4, page 24



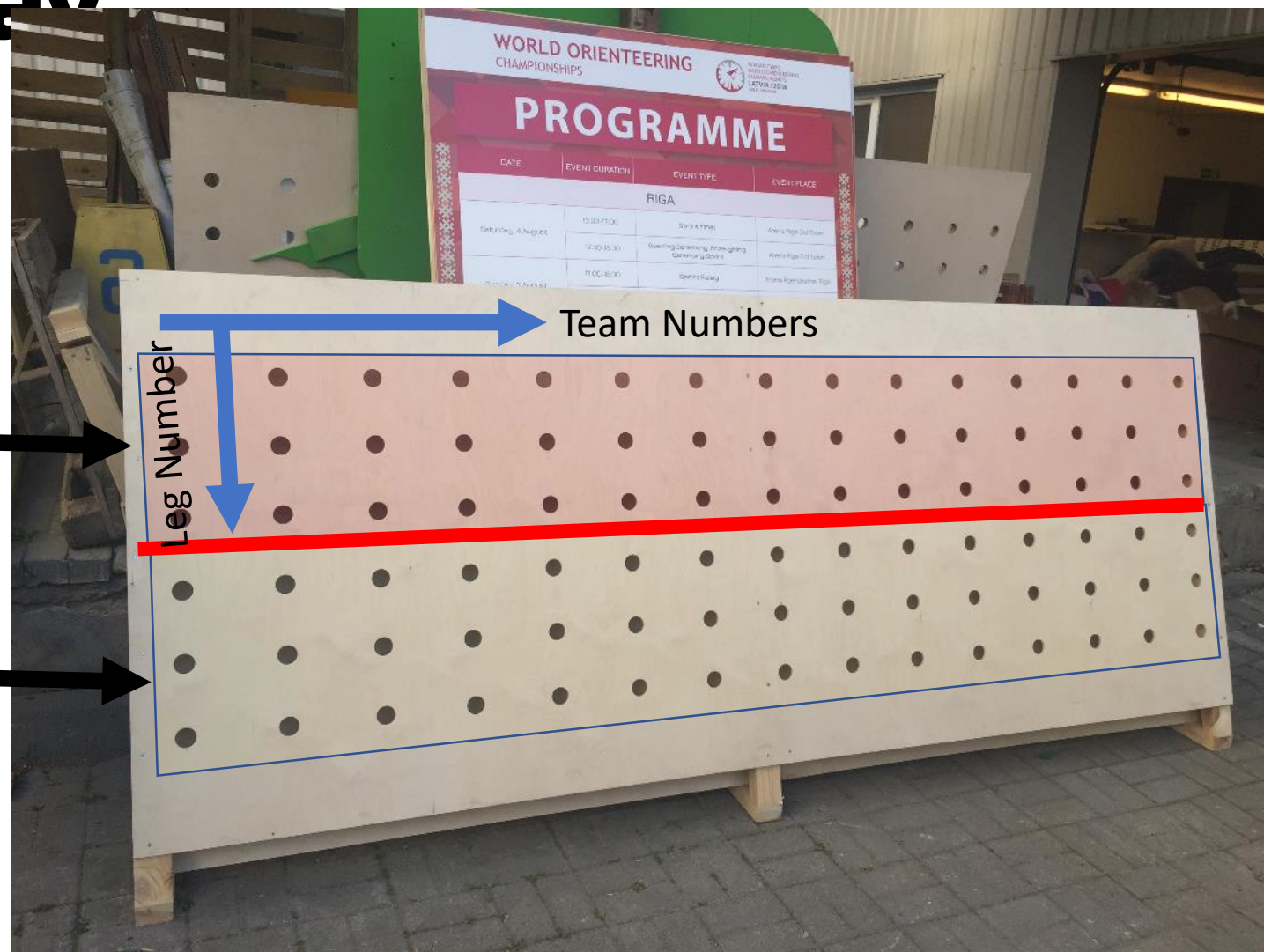
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Sprint Relay

- Map wall

Competition maps

Spare maps





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Weather forecast

It will be warm 24 – 29°C, cloudy with possible rain and thunderstorms in the afternoon



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Questions

Fairness: please only use the official WOC communication channels for important messages on the competition.

To communicate with the team the IOF Eventor Communication tool which sends out emails to all registered coaches and athletes. This is the only communication channel for WOC 2018

Bulletin 4 Page 14, are all gps watches forbidden, do you also mean the ones without map display?

Rule 21.4: GPS –enabled devices can be carried provided that they have no map displays and are not used for navigation purposes.

Number of busses to sprint qualification quarantine at 8:30 from parking (and also last bus in the afternoon)?

According to the time schedule in the Bulletin 4. There will be enough capacity.



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Questions

How shall we understand replacement timing of sprint qualification runner. Would it be possible have the replacement runners in the quarantine up to the start of the runners in case an injury occurs during warm-up?

The replacement of a runner is allowed until 120 minutes before the first start in the respective class.

In the sprint qualification, is the coaching zone simply in the finish run-in and not during the run?

Coaching zone is close to the last control in the run-in



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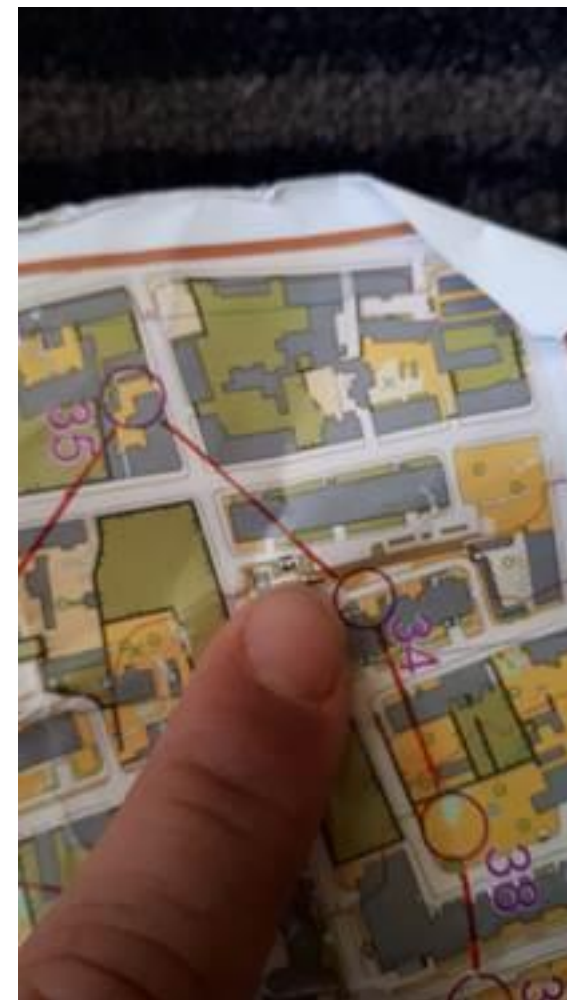
Questions

Do the colours correspond to the running maps?

Yes the Model map and the competition maps were printed offset at same time and same quality.

The small passage between fence and the building below: will the passages also be this narrow at the competitions tomorrow and Sunday?

In Sprint Final there are some narrow passages.





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Questions

Can you / are you allowed to run through all hedges (on the model event map, there were no forbidden hedges, but one which was very hard to pass). How will it be in the final? If yes, will it be marked with a band in the terrain?

The Symbol 421 «Impassible Vegetation – forbidden to cross» is not used. Green is mapped according to the runnability.

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Questions

There are two different thicknesses for the green hedging. What's the difference?

It is according to ISSOM.

Can the buses be selected by the athlete or is there an allocation by start times? Nobody wants to take one too early.

We make sure that the bus capacity will be sufficient until the last bus. The runners are free to choose the bus.



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Questions

Between Sprint Quali and Sprint Final we are not going to return to our accommodation (near Sigulda) but stay in Riga. Question: is there any shower possibility for the athletes?

Unfortunately NO.



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Questions

Supposedly there are plenty of tourists in sprint Q & F areas during the competitions? How will the organisers guide the spectators/tourists **near the controls and “critical” places to keep the competition fair and equal for all?**

The organizers try to do their best to avoid collisions. Using marshals and municipal police to guide spectators and tourists.

How many percentage hard/soft ground in each competition?

You will see it on the map



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Questions

Can athletes take into quarantine map of completely different terrain from previous races? E.g.: one of our runner would like to take WUOC2015 sprint map into quarantine where he had a good sprint run and it would help him to prepare for the race.

No maps are allowed in the quarantine



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Questions

Is the printing done as for the model event map?

Yes

Is the white shadow used under control number?

Yes for individual races but not for relay's

Will the symbol 402 “green cross” be use on competitions maps? If yes, same feature as on the model terrain?

402 is Open Land with scattered trees. We assume the question is related to 420: this is not used



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Questions

Symbol 421 “dark green” wasn’t used on model map, is there any on competitions maps?

«Impassable vegetation» is not used on any of the sprint maps

Can we leave arena after sprint qualification on ourself? We live very close to the finish arena on north-west side of embargo.

No, you have to use the shuttle bus to leave the finish area



Questions

In Riga old town it seems there are several terraces not directly linked to the building, but letting the sidewalk free (as on this image): on those cases will the symbol 714 allow to run along or will it oblige to use the center of the street?

It's always forbidden to pass between the restaurant and the house. The forbidden area is drawn up to the house.

They are not all guarded and not all are taped.





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Questions

Number of toilets in the different quaranties:

SQ: 8 toilets

SF: 10 toilets, 1 toilet at call-up

SR: 10 toilets

Artificial fences on model. On which race will they be used?

All relevant features for all races were modelled.



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Questions

Are there always black line between olive and yellow.

Yes

Bulletin 4 clarification: Are there differences between Bulletin 4 and Technical for teams Bulletin 4.

Bulletin 4: For spectators with reduced content compared to Technical for teams Bulletin 4.

Technical for teams Bulletin 4: This is the official reference for all teams and the organizer and contains all required content. It is the version available in IOF Eventor and from the WOC 2018 homepage. Additional printed copies can be requested in the Event Center.



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Questions

Sprint final is it correct that distance from -3 to -2 is 150m.

Yes

Map flip: Is the map at the start covered?

Yes the upper side is covered at the start.



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Questions

Have women to stay in cool-down area or can they go to arena?

You will see tomorrow

Page 20: middle picture on right side. What is this?

It is the uncrossable boundary forbidden to cross as shown in model event.



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Questions

SQ: Can runners leave arena immediately after the race?

Yes, but you have to use the shuttle bus to the team parking.

SQ: Can runners go to arena after race?

The cool-down map shows where the runners can stay after the race.



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Questions

SQ: ist there a problem with tram traffic in the SQ. There were some issues with trams in the model.

Technical Bulletin 4: In Traffic section (page 21) it reads tram traffic will be controlled by police

SQ: Is cool-down area also applicable for coaches and runners not participating in race.

To get to the arena you have to use the shuttle buses from the team parking to get to the arena and back. You are allowed to stay in the arena.



Questions

SF: Is there a defined way from the team parking to the arena because it is in the embargoed area. For runners not running the final.

You can park at the team parking or anywhere on the southwest side of the river Daugava and go to the arena according to the following plan (use left (northern) side of bridge and pedestrian crossing to arena). You are not allowed to go beyond the arena.





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Questions

SR: can runners finishing the race go back to team zone.

Yes

SR: map board. What happens if somebody takes the reserve map from the bottom.

We will not disqualify any runner running with the correct map

SR: Map hand-over how does it work?

The incoming runner takes the map and hands it over the board to the next runner.



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Questions

Sprint Model map: control circles are overprint and numbers with white background are covering map.

Are numbers in SR covering important information.

It will exactly as it was in model map.

We did everything possible to place the number such that they not hide any important information.



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Sprint relay can runners see map board before the race.

Yes, everybody can visit arena before quarantine closes.

SR: map board numberings?

Nr. 1 is on left and goes to right so 35 is on the far right.



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Questions

SI-Cards how long is the blincking/peeping signal:

It is SIAC default of 3 seconds)

How to drive to team parking?

Use white roads along the river and over the bridge.

SR: Why are runners allowed to go back to team zone and exchange information.

Because it is a team event. For SR we will proceed as described in Bulletin 4.



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