

# EUROPEAN TRAIL ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS

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#### Welcome by the Mayor of Turku

Dear participants of ETOC2024,

I am pleased to welcome the European Trail Orienteering Championships participants and their support teams, including family members and assistants to Southwest Finland and Turku in May.

Trail-O is a wonderful sport because it is suitable for people of all ages and fitness levels. The goal is not to measure the physical fitness of the orienteer, but rather, the essence of the sport is based on reasoning tasks.

The beautiful nature and varied terrain of Southwest Finland provide the perfect setting for the 2024 European Championships.

Our region is known for the world's most beautiful archipelago, fertile fields, deciduous forests, and Finland's oldest city, Turku. The green walking paths along the Aura River running through Turku's centre offer a glimpse into the history of Finland's oldest city and its vibrant present.

Turku will celebrate its 800th anniversary in 2029. We are preparing for the anniversary in many ways, but our main goal is that by then, Turku will be a carbon-neutral area. It is the most valuable gift we can leave for future generations. Combating climate change and preserving biodiversity is a shared responsibility for all of us.

The city of Turku wishes all participants of ETOC2024 good luck and success. At the same time, I thank the local organizers and countless volunteers for arranging and hosting this wonderful sports celebration.

I hope that during the competition, and perhaps after its conclusion, you will have time to linger and explore Turku and Southwest Finland.

Minna Arve Mayor of Turku, Patron of ETOC2024





#### **Welcome by the Event Director**

Welcome to the European Trail Orienteering Championships 2024!

The Finnish Orienteering federation and orienteering club Turun Metsänkävijät is pleased to invite you to ETOC 2024 that will be held in Southern Finland, in the Turku area.

Our biggest goal is to offer top Trail-O athletes the best-level competitions you can ever imagine. In achieving this, we rely on our extremely experienced organization team, top-level maps and the most enjoyable and demanding terrains.

In Easter 2018 Turun Metsänkävijät arranged FinTrailO in quite demanding weather with snow and ice, but despite that, the feedback we received from our arrangements was very good. Of course, our challenge in organizing a top level ETOC competition is now much bigger, but we certainly are ready for that.

Turku area is quite easy to reach by different transport links and it is easy to find accommodation in Turku

Hopefully there is peace on earth (and there is no pandemic complicating the organization of the competition) and you can totally concentrate on such kind of nice things, like ETOC 2024.

You are warmly welcome to Turku, Finland, and to European Trail-O Championships 2024!



Mikko Knuuti, Turun Metsänkävijät Event Director



#### Venue

ETOC 2024 will be held in south-western Finland. Event Centre is located in Turku, the oldest city and former capital of Finland. The year of the city's founding is 1229, when Pope Gregorius IX mentions the city called Aboa (the Latin name of Turku) for the first time in his bull.

Heart of the city specially in the summer time is the banks of river Aura with lots of restaurants and restaurant boats offering the best Finnish delicacies and refreshments. You will also meet Mr. Paavo Nurmi there, a nine-time Olympic champion in distance running.

Turku is not just a seaside city. It's the gateway to the Finnish archipelago, an unparalleled natural wonder made up of 40 000 islands and counting. A small glimpse of this can be seen on the tourist cruises that last a few hours that depart from the Aura river. Getting to know the archipelago better

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takes some time, but it's worth it. In summer, there are many different activities, accommodation and fresh local food available.

#### Distances:

Helsinki airport – Turku	170 km
Helsinki harbour – Turku	168 km
Tampere airport – Turku	163 km
Naantali harbour – Turku	16 km



## **Organizing Team**

Event Director Mikko Knuuti

**Event secretary / Office** Tapani Koskenoja

Courses Ari Uotila (PreO2)

Ville Hiirsalmi (TempO)

Juha Hiirsalmi (PreO1, Relay)

**Maps** Juha Hiirsalmi

Technical expert Tuomo Markelin

Results manager Hannu Arki
Media relations Kari Vainio

#### **Event Advisers**

Senior Event Adviser Andrius Jovaisa (LTU)

National Controller Ari Tertsunen



# **Event Programme**

DATE	TIME	WHAT	WHERE	
Tuesday 7.5.20	12-16	Info / Event Office open	Läntinen Pitkäkatu 12, Turku	
	17.00	<b>Opening Ceremony</b>	Turku Market Square	
	18-21	Banquet	Bowler, Yliopistonkatu 29, Turku	
Wednesday 8.5.20	10-18	Model event	Katariinanlaakso, Turku	
	16.00	PreO team deadline		
	19.00	TOM	Läntinen Pitkäkatu 12, Turku	
	19.00	PreO1 startlists		
Thursday 9.5.20	24	PreO1	Kuninkoja, Turku	
	10.00	First start		
	11.30	Quarantine closes		
	19.00	PreO2 startlists		
Friday 10.5.20	24	PreO2	Suopelto, Naantali	
	10.00	First start		
	11.30	Quarantine closes		
	19.00	TOM	Läntinen Pitkäkatu 12, Turku	
	19.00	Relay lineup deadline		
	20.00	PreO award ceremony	Turku Market Square	
Saturday 11.5.20	24	Relay	Kuparivuori, Naantali	
	10.00	Mass start, O		
	10.15	Mass start, P		
	16.00	TempO team deadline	Läntinen Pitkäkatu 12, Turku	
	19.00	TOM & TempO startlists		
	20.00	Relay award ceremony	Turku Market Square	
Sunday 12.5.20	24	TempO qualification	Impivaara, Turku	
	8.50	Quarantine closes		
	9.00	First start		
		TempO final	Urheilupuisto, Turku	
	14.15	Quarantine closes		
	14.30	First start		
	17.30	TempO award ceremony	Urheilupuisto, Turku	
Monday 13.5.20	24	Departure		

Info / Event Office open:				
7.5.2024 12 noon to 16pm at Event Centre, Läntinen Pitkäkatu 12, Turku				
812.5.2024 during the competition at Event Arena, opening 30 min. before the first				
812.5.2024	during TOM at Event Centre			



## **Participation**

Competitors representing member federations of the IOF, defined by the International Paralympic Committee as belonging to the European continent, can compete in ETOC. Competitors representing other member federations of the IOF can participate in ETOC but will not be eligible for European titles, medals or diplomas.

## **Classes and Competition rules**

In the individual PreO competitions and in the TrailO Relay there is an O (Open) class and a P (Physically Challenged) class. In the TempO competition there is a single Open class.

In the individual PreO event a Federation may enter a maximum of 6 persons in each class. In the TempO event a Federation may enter a maximum of 8 persons.

In addition to the above the following may be entered by their Federations:

- The current European Champion may be entered in their respective classes in addition to the normal maximum.
- 2 juniors (aged 20 years or younger at the end of the calendar year) in each class and format.

In the TrailO Relay a Federation may enter 2 teams in each class each consisting of 3 competitors. Only the better-placed team will count in the prize list.

The Competition Rules for IOF Trail Orienteering Events and the ETOC Rules valid in 2024 shall apply to the European Trail Orienteering Championships 2024. The rules are available for download on the IOF website <a href="https://orienteering.sport/">https://orienteering.sport/</a>



#### **Entries**

The entries will be open in December 2023. All entries have to be made through IOF Eventor.

The team size deadline is March 8<sup>th</sup> 2024. The team names deadline is April 26<sup>th</sup> 2024. Late entries will be surcharged as stated in the IOF rules (7.4). Entries will not be valid until the entry fee has been paid. The payment must be made by April 8<sup>th</sup> 2024. The payment details:

Turun Metsänkävijät, Läntinen Pitkäkatu 12, FIN-20100 TURKU Nordea Bank Oyj, IBAN: FI69 1590 3000 1511 32, BIC: NDEAFIHH. Enter Federation name in the Note for the Beneficiary.

Entry fees	PreO TempO Relay (per team)	130 Eur 90 Eur 160 Eur
Accreditation fees	Athlete Team Official Accompanying person, Escort	100 Eur 80 Eur 20 Eur
Banquet		30 Eur

## **Eligibility Certificates**

Copies of eligibility certificates for the P class should be sent to the email address <a href="mailto:etoc2024@tume.fi">etoc2024@tume.fi</a>. Latest date for sending the eligibility certificates to the organizer is April 26<sup>th</sup> 2024. The latest date to apply for eligibility from the IOF is 12 March 2024.



## Entries received 8.3.2024, 9pm

Federation	O Athlete	P Athlete	Team Official	Accompanying Person	Escort	Total
<b>T</b> Croatia	4					4
<b>►</b> Czechia	7	3				10
+ Finland	10	5	1		2	18
Germany	5					5
₩ Great Britain	7	3	1	1		12
Israel   □	1					1
■ ■ Italy	6	3			1	10
<ul><li>Japan</li></ul>	6					6
<b>L</b> atvia	7	3			2	12
Lithuania	3					3
<b>III</b> Norway	8	1	1			10
Poland	8	6	1		5	20
■ Portugal	3					3
Slovakia	4		1			5
Slovenia	3					3
	7	3				10
Ukraine	9	6	2		1	18
Sum	98	33	7	1	11	150

#### **Escorts**

The competitors that need an escort shall bring an escort with them. The organizers will provide help on steeper hills.

With an escort accreditation (which is mandatory) only, a person cannot act as a team official or attend Team Official Meetings.



## Maps

The maps of ETOC 2024 follow the International Standards for Sprint Orienteering ISSprOM2019, version valid on 1.1.2024. All maps are prepared in scale 1:4 000 and enlarged to 1:3 000, contour interval 2 m.

All maps made by Juha Hiirsalmi. Open source lidar data from National Land Survey of Finland and urban survey material from the cities of Turku and Naantali processed by Karttahemmot / Eero-Antti Lonka.

#### **Course information**

EVENT	Length	Controls	Timed controls	Road surface	Climb	Toilet/Water
Model	1.1 km	7+8	2 x 5 task (TempO) 1 x 3 task (PreO TC)	_	5 m	Arena
PreO1	0.9 km	32	2 x 3 task	Smooth gravel	20 m	Arena&Course
PreO2	1.1 km	33	2 x 3 task	Smooth gravel	25 m	Arena&Course
Relay	0.8 km	3 x 16	7 x 5 task	Smooth gravel	25 m	Arena
TempO Qual.	1.8 km	-	6 x 5 task	Smooth gravel	30 m	Arena
TempO Final	1.9 km	-	9 x 5 task	Smooth gravel	20 m	Arena

## **Punching system / Timing**

The ToePunch system (toe.yq.cz) will be used for punching and time keeping in PreO competitions and on PreO-part of the Relay. ToePunch chipsets will be provided in the team envelope.

The ANT system (ant.yq.cz) will be used at timed and TempO stations.



#### Race information / Model

Distances:

Parking – Event Arena Bus stop – Event Arena Event Arena – TempO start

TempO PreO1

Time Control – PreO2 start

PreO2

PreO2 finish - Event Arena

0-50 m

50-350 m (Lines 9, 13A and 18) 950 m asphalt/gravel, 35 m climb

150 m smooth gravel

400 m smooth gravel, 5 m climb

350 m smooth gravel, 25 m down hill

200 m asphalt

200 m asphalt/gravel

Event Arena: Katariinan Laakso, parking place. 60.413082, 22.269900





#### Race information / PreO 1

Distances:

Parking – Event Arena Bus stop – Event Arena Event Arena – Quarantine Quarantine – Start PreO course

Finish – Time Controls

Time Controls – Event Arena

300-500 m

400 m (Lines 6 and 7)
50 m smooth gravel / grass

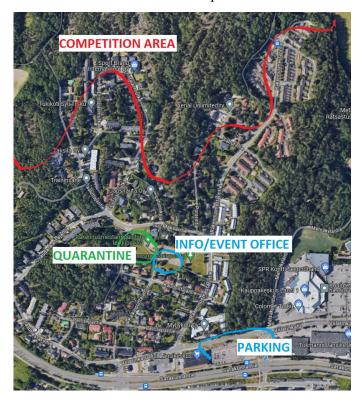
500 m asphalt

900 m smooth gravel, 20 m climb

250 m smooth gravel

1300 m asphalt/gravel

Event Arena: Rakennusmestari's park. Coordinates: 60.474706, 22.217018





#### Race information / PreO 2

Distances:

PreO, part 2

Parking – Event Arena
Bus stop – Event Arena
Event Arena – Quarantine
Quarantine – Time Control 1
PreO, part 1
PreO, part 1 finish to part 2 start

Finish – Time Control 2
Time Control 2 – Event Arena

50-200 m

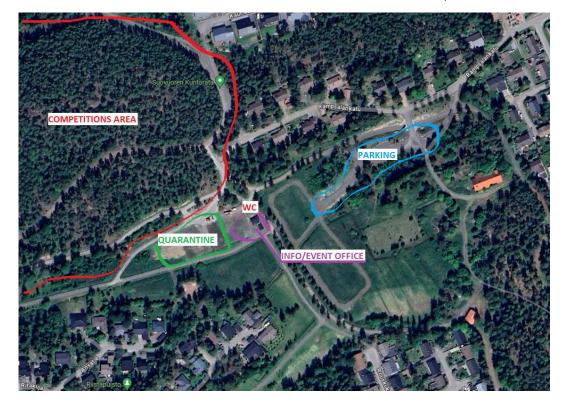
1300 m (Lines 6 and 7)

0 m

150 m smooth gravel, 10 m climb 650 m smooth gravel, 15 m climb 350 m smooth gravel, downhill/uphill 450 m smooth gravel, 10 m climb

100 m smooth gravel 450 m smooth gravel

Event Arena: Suovuori outdoor recreation area. Coordinates: 60.491807, 22.048170





## **Race information / Relay**

Distances:

Parking – Event Arena
Bus stop – Event Arena
Event Arena – Start
PreO course
PreO – TempO stations
TempO stations - Quarantine
Quarantine – Event Arena

50-200 m 800 m (Lines 6, 61 and 7) 0 m 800 m smooth gravel, 25 m climb 100 m smooth gravel, 10 m climb 100 m smooth gravel/asphalt 100 m asphalt

Event Arena: Kuparivuori Sports Centre. Coordinates: 60.464118, 22.022822





## **Race information / TempO Qualification**

Distances:

Parking – Event Arena 0-200 m

Bus stop – Event Arena 250 m (Lines 2, 2A, 2B and 2C)

Event Arena – Quarantine 0 m Quarantine – Start 0 m

TempO course 1800 m, 30 m climb

Finish – Event Arena 0 m

Event Arena: Impivaara Football Hall. Coordinates: 60.477946, 22.252248





## **Race information / TempO Final**

Distances:

Parking – Event Arena Bus stop – Event Arena Event Arena – Quarantine Quarantine – Start TempO course

Finish - Event Arena

100-500 m

300-400 m (Lines 3 and 9)

200 m 0 m

1900 m, 20 m climb

0 m

Event Arena: Paavo Nurmi Stadion. Coordinates: 60.442174, 22.261620





## **Event Centre / Competition office**

The Event Centre is Turun Metsänkävijät Club house.

Address: Läntinen Pitkäkatu 12, Turku

Telephone: +358442509175 Email: etoc2024@tume.fi



Team Official Meetings and other possible meetings will be organized there.

#### Accommodation

There is lots of accommodation capacity in Turku. Prices for four nights starting from 160 € (single room) and 200 € (double room). Most of the hotels and also several hostels have accessible rooms available.

https://www.visitturku.fi/

https://kissmyturku.com/

A few more reasonably priced options

Kokoushotelli Linnasmäki, Turku (with code ETOC2024 sales@linnasmaki.fi)

Ruissalo Spa Hotel, Turku

Hotel Loimu Raisio

Gasthaus Henri, Raisio

Hotel Kivitasku, Kaarina



#### **Ceremonies**

The Opening Ceremony and medal ceremonies will be held at the north corner of the Turku Market Square (60°27'07.8"N 22°16'01.5"E). Distance from Event Centre is 550 m (7 min walk). TempO award ceremony will be at Event Arena, Paavo Nurmi Stadium.

Pre-event dinner (banquet) is organized on Tuesday evening after the Opening Ceremony. We would like to offer everybody chance for socializing too and it's better to have this event before competitions than on Sunday evening when most have already left the venue. Price includes dinner and activities. <a href="https://www.bowler.fi">www.bowler.fi</a>

#### **Transport arrangements**

All event arenas can easily be reached by public transport (<u>www.foli.fi/en</u>). Only few hundred metres from nearest bus stop.

Single tickets: For single journeys, valid two hours for buses and water buses. Prices: adults €3 with contactless payment, with cash payment on the bus €4. Children under 15 €1.50 with contactless payment, with cash payment on the bus €2.

Daily tickets: Daily tickets provide you with 1-7 days of travel on buses and water buses. You can purchase daily tickets through the Föli app, service points and from R-kiosks. You can also purchase a single day ticket from a Föli ticket machine and from the driver with cash or using contactless payment.

Persons seated in wheelchairs and their escorts may travel free of charge in local buses.

There are parking areas available close to all event arenas. The organizer does not arrange any transportation.

Distances to Event Centre (Läntinenkatu 12, Turku):
Turku Airport, 9 km
Helsinki Airport, 170 km
Turku port, 4 km
Naantali port, 15 km
Turku Railway Station, 650 m
Turku Bus Station, 350 m

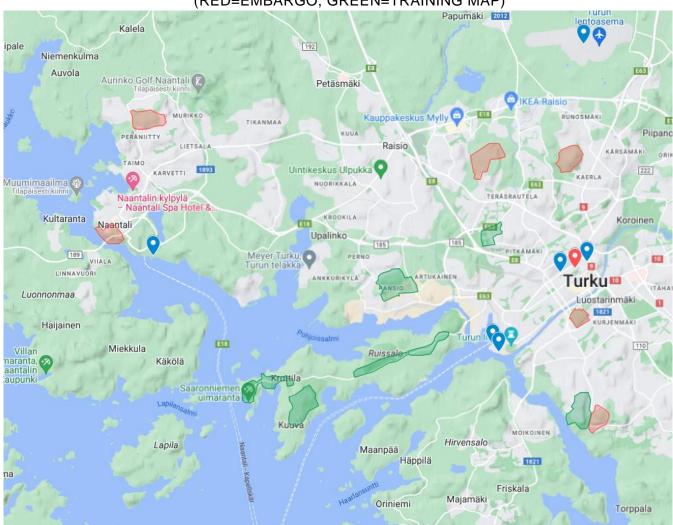
Distances from Event Centre to Event Arenas varies between 2 km to 15 km.



### **Embargoed areas**

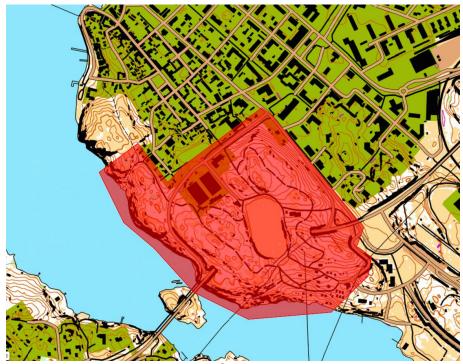
From 29 May 2022, all potential ETOC 2024 participants, coaches, and team officials, as well all those people who could supply ETOC team members with information about the terrain, are prohibited to enter the embargoed areas. The detailed embargoed areas can be seen in <a href="mailto:the map register of the Finnish">the map register of the Finnish</a> Orienteering Federation ("Harjoituskiellot"=Embargoed areas).

General map of embargoes and other locations (RED=EMBARGO, GREEN=TRAINING MAP)

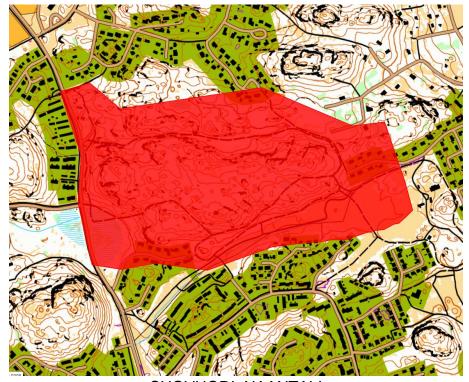


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KUPARIVUORI, NAANTALI

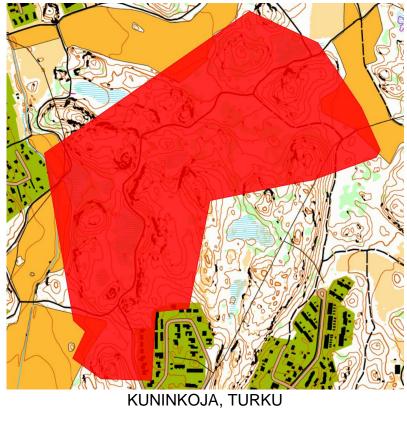


SUOVUORI, NAANTALI

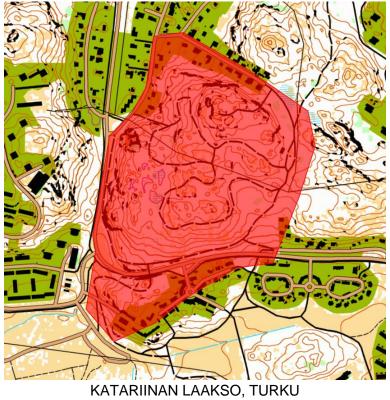




IMPIVAARA, TURKU









URHEILUPUISTO, TURKU



## **Training possibilities**

Training opportunities will be available. For example FinTrailO 2018 & 2020 and Nordic Match 2022 maps are available for training. Set of maps of all three events in pdf-format with price 50 €/team. Orders etoc2024@tume.fi

Available training maps/areas shown in "General map of embargoes and other locations"

Set of pdf-files of foot-o maps of competition areas are available with price 30 €/team. Orders etoc2024@tume.fi

Trail Orienteering Events in Turku area before ETOC 2024:

- 1.4. Huhti-Tempo and -PreO, Turku https://www.tume.fi/etoc2024/huhti2024
- 4.-6.5. ETOC warmup, Turku https://www.kunnonsuunta.fi/etoc-warmup-4-6-5-2024/
- 7.5. NoseHill PreO, Lieto https://www.trailo.fi/kalenteri/7-5-2024-nosehill-preo/



## Terrains and previous maps

RELAY, Kuparivuori, Naantali



Never used for trail orienteering competition. LINK TO OLD MAP

PreO2, Suovuori, Naantali



Never used for trail orienteering. LINK TO OLD MAP



TempO Qualification, Impivaara, Turku



Never used for trail orienteering. LINK TO OLD MAP

Model, Katariinanlaakso, Turku



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TempO Final, Paavo Nurmi Stadion



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PreO1, Kuninkoja, Turku



Never used for trail orienteering competition. LINK TO OLD MAP



#### Visas

The Schengen states have jointly agreed which countries' citizens are required to present a visa. Each Schengen state decides which passports and travel documents it accepts from different countries' citizens.

Check if you need a visa to visit Finland and what travel documents are accepted in Finland: <a href="https://um.fi/visa-requirement-and-travel-documents-accepted-by-finland">https://um.fi/visa-requirement-and-travel-documents-accepted-by-finland</a>

Even if you do not need a visa to visit Finland, you need a valid passport or some other travel document accepted by Finland. It must be valid for at least ninety days after your intended date of departure from the Schengen area.

#### **Contacts**

Email: etoc2024@tume.fi

Website: www.tume.fi/etoc2024

Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/etoc2024">https://www.facebook.com/etoc2024</a>

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# **Organisers**





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#### **OFFICIAL COMPETITION SHIRT**





Official competition shirts for ETOC2024 will be the finest premium quality orienteering shirts from TRUE STORY.

TRUE STORY is an endurance sportswear brand based in Riga, Latvia. Established and managed by World Orienteering Champion Edgars Bertuks. Their concept is to offer great looking garments without compromising quality and comfort. All TRUE STORY garments are made in Latvia and all fabrics are sourced from European suppliers exclusively.

You can either preorder this fabulous shirt and receive it in May at the competition without any shipping costs or order it immediately and receive via mail. Order can be done in TRUE STORY webshop: <a href="https://custom.truestorysport.com/en/store/etoc2024">https://custom.truestorysport.com/en/store/etoc2024</a>
Deadline for preorder is the 31st of March.

Find out more about the shirt and click the link above. Remember to check the TRUE STORY website for more excellent sport garments <a href="https://truestorysport.com/">https://truestorysport.com/</a>

