

FINNISH MILITARY SPORTS FEDERATION,
VAAJAKOSKEN TERÄ JA KEURUUN KISAILIJAT INVITES TO

WORLD BIATHLON ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS 21. – 24.8.2025
IN KEURUU, FINLAND



INVITATION, BULLETIN 1

The Finnish Biathlon Orienteering Championships for the normal distance will be held at the same event.

Arrival:

Directions to the competition centre from the crossroads of highway 23 and road 58, coming from the south on road 58.

The address of the competition centre is Keuruseläntie 14 42700 Keuruu Finland.
P 62° 12,755' | 124° 38,757'

Program:

Thursday: 21.8.

Shooting practice, orienteering model event from 12.00 to 16.00.

Team managers meeting at 18.00 Hotel Keuruselkä

Opening ceremony at Hotel Keuruselkä at 19.00.

Friday: 22.8. Sprint distance

Target shooting at 10.00–11.00.

First starting time at 12.00.

Buffet dinner from 15.00 to 17.00 Hotel Keuruselkä

Prize-giving ceremony at 17.00 Hotel Keuruselkä

Team managers meeting at 18.00 Hotel Keuruselkä

IBOF-meeting at 19.00 Hotel Keuruselkä

Classes:

World Championship classes: M/W21, M/W21B, M/W20, M/W35, M/W40, M/W45, M/W50, M/W55, M/W60, M/W65, M/W70.

National classes: M/W14, M/W16, M/W18, M/W75.

Order of competition:

Orienteering – Shooting in the prone position – orienteering – Shooting in the standing position - Finish.

Saturday 23.8. normal distance

Target shooting from 09.00 to 10.00.

First starting time at 10.30.

Prize-giving ceremony of Finnish Championships at the competition centre after the final results

Buffet dinner from 14.00 to 16.00 Hotel Keurusselkä

Prize-giving ceremony at 17.00 Hotel Keurusselkä

Team managers meeting at 18.00 Hotel Keurusselkä

Dinner from 19.00 to 21.00 Hotel Keurusselkä

Sarjat:

World Championship classes: M/W21, M/W21B, M/W20, M/W35, M/W40, M/W45, M/W50, M/W55, M/W60, M/W65, M/W70.

Finnish championship classes: M/W14, M/W16, M/W18, M/W75.

Order of competition: Location section - orienteering – Shooting in the prone position – running loop (about 400m) - Shooting in the standing position - Finish.

Sunday 24.8. Relay:

Target shooting from 09.00 to 10.00.

First starting time at 10.30.

Classes: WC- classes M/W21, M/W20, M/W70, M/W95, M/W120

Mixed teams (not a WC-class)

Prize-giving ceremony at 13.00, Keurusselän liikuntapuisto.

Order of competition: orienteering – Shooting in the prone position – orienteering - Shooting in the standing position – exchange/finish.

Registration:

Registration by 10.8.2025 until 24.00 by email to address: vaajakoskitera@gmail.com.

Registrations for the national team and for club teams by registration forms. Forms will be published to website www.vaajakoskentera.com

Information to be provided **during registration:** first name, surname, club, class, participation distance(s) of competitor, Emit card number or need of rental for EMIT card.

Registration fees:

Sprint: WC competitors 30 €/person and other competitors 22 €/person

Normal distance: WC competitors 30 €/person and Finnish Championship competitors 27 €/person.

Relay: 90 €/ 3 person team, 60 €/ 2 person team.

The registration fee must be paid with the registration by 10.8.2025 to Vaajakosken Terä bank account FI70 8400 0710 4641 64. BIC/SWIFT DABAFIHH. The payment details must include the name of national team/club.

Accommodation / Where to stay:

Hotel Keuruselkä, very nearby competition centre. Room and meal reservations directly to Hotel Keuruselkä by 3.8. by e-mail to myynti@hotelkeuruselka.fi or by calling to Hotel +358 14 3611 000.

National teams and competitors book accommodation and meals directly through Hotel Keuruselkä, the competition organisers are not responsible for accommodation and meal bookings.

Rules:

The competition will follow the IBOF rules, updated in May 2017 and Finnish Military Sports Federation rules, updated in 1.3.2024 and the instructions given by organizer.

Shooting target equipment:

Mechanic target system, Kurvinen

Rifles and ammunition:

.22 lr (caliber 5,6 mm). The organiser does not have any rifles or ammunition in stock for the competitors.

Inspection of rifles:

All participants must pass a rifle check before each competition. The rifle used must comply with IBU rules (check points: rifle height <140 mm, trigger resistance >0,5 kg).

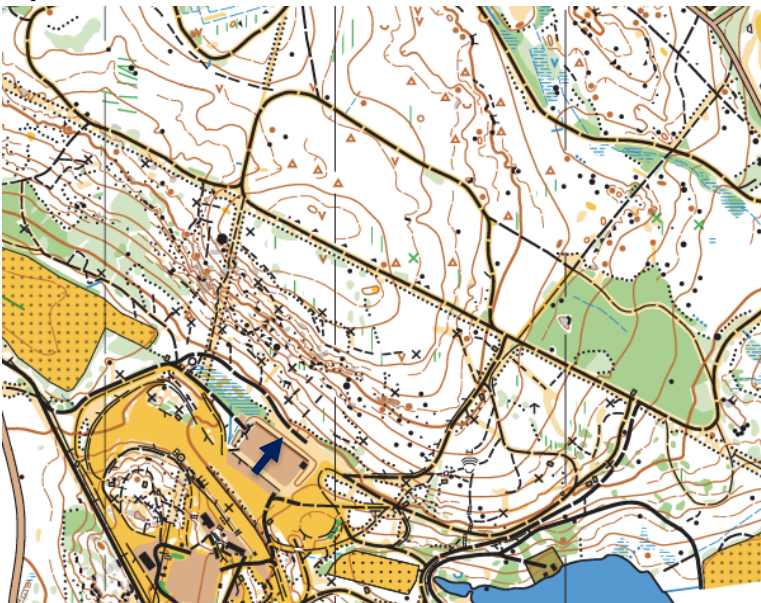
Storage of rifles:

Rifles can be stored in a locked place designated by Hotel Keuruselkä.

Punching system:

All competitions use the EMIT punching system.

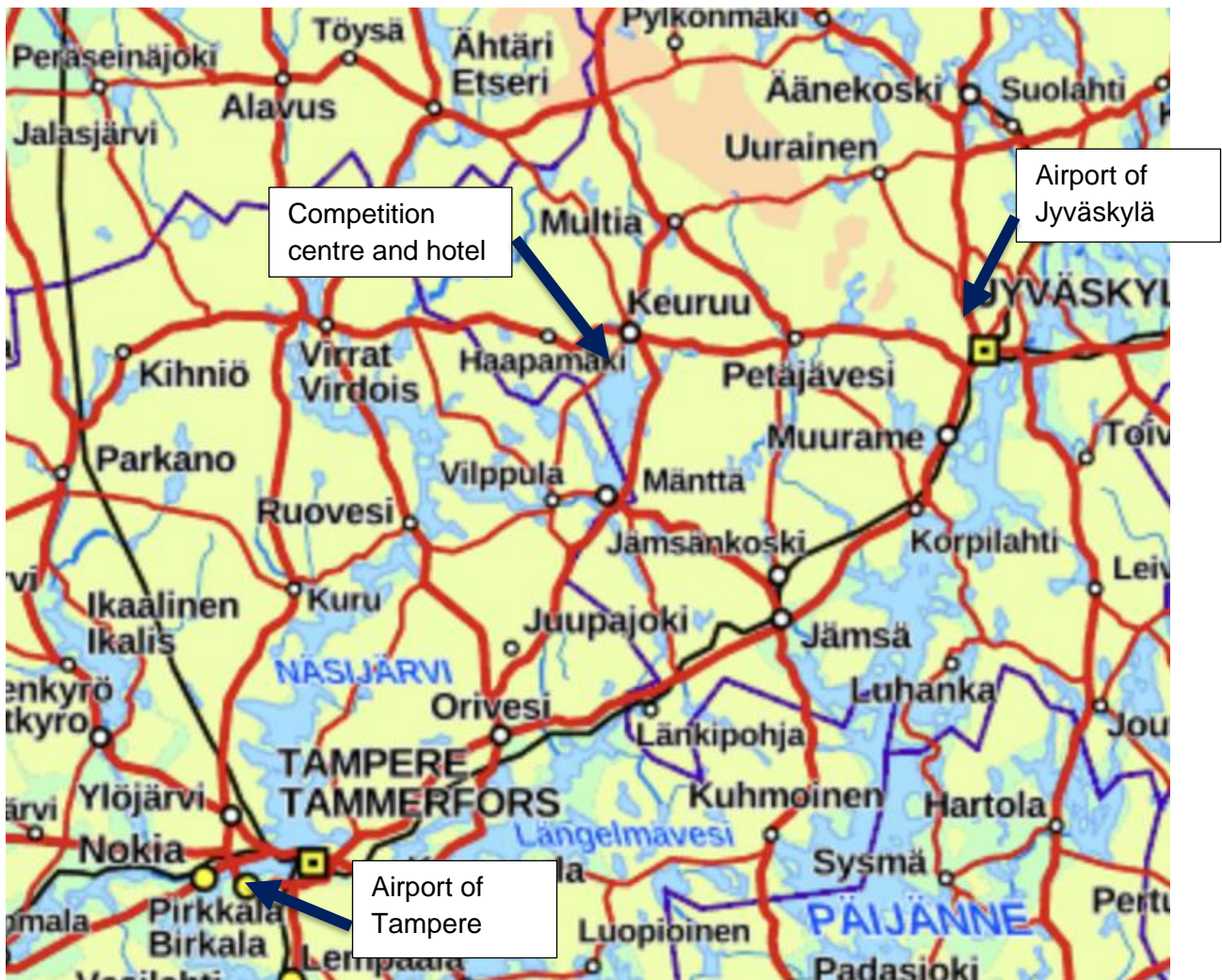
Map and terrain:



The competition terrain is typical Finnish commercial and coniferous forest with varying runnability and height differences. Mostly the runnability is quite good with maximum height differences of 30-40 metres.

Competition map has been updated during 2024/2025, including vegetation updates.

Travel:



Information:

www.vaajakoskentera.com

www.sotilasurheilu.fi/ampumasuunnistus

Event organization:

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Director of shooting: Jukka Salonen

