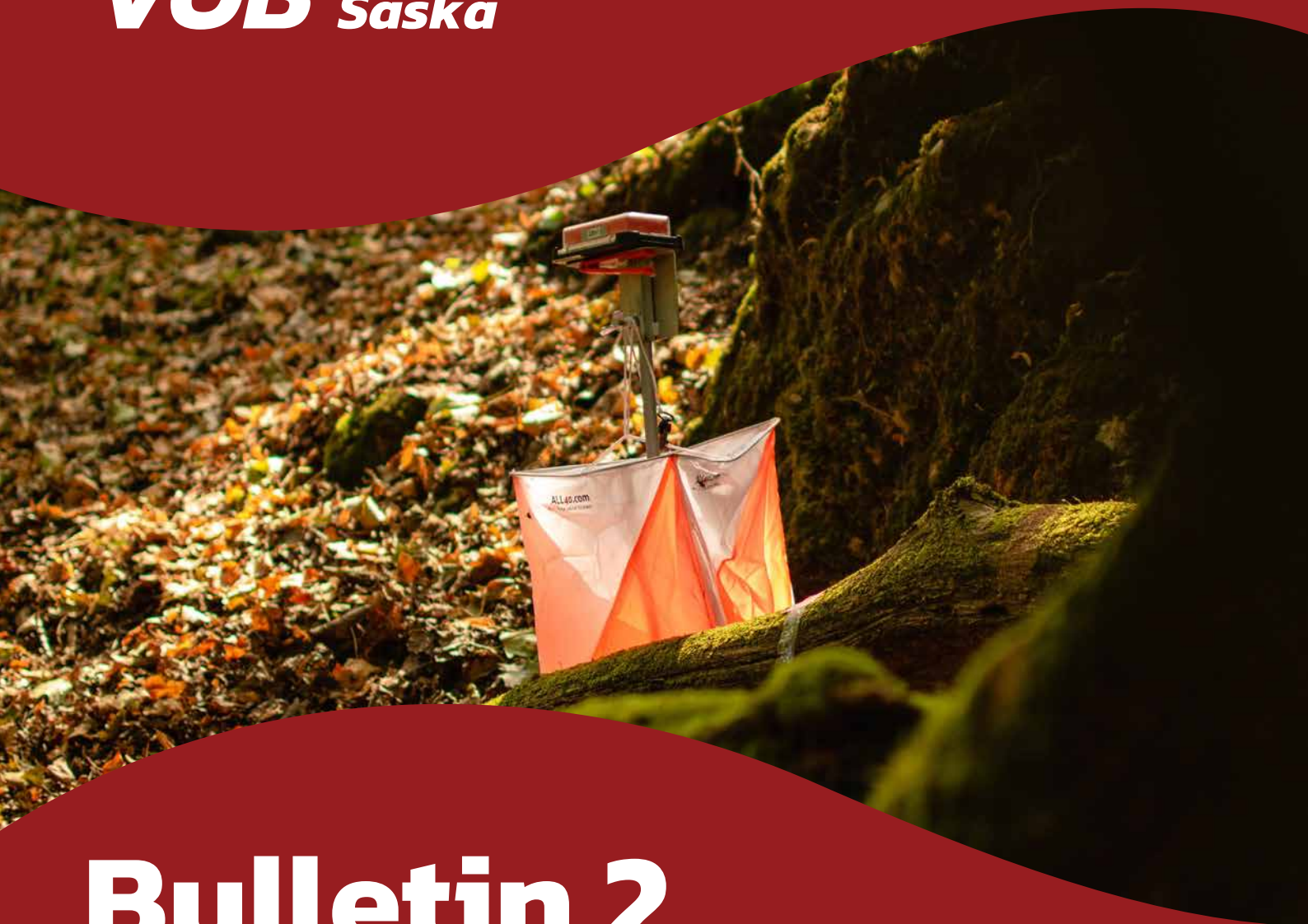


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Bulletin 2

**Hungarian Middle Distance and
Relay Championships**

6-7 June 2026



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Hungarian Middle Distance and Relay Championships 2026

Venue, date

6–7 June 2026, Sáska

Organizers

On behalf of the Hungarian Orienteering Federation, the Veszprémi Honvéd SE and the ZöldSport'27 Nonprofit Ltd. (WOC 2027 Organizing Committee).

Patrons

- Gyula Porga – Mayor of the City of Veszprém
- Bence Horváth – Mayor of Sáska Village

Organizing committee

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- **Vice-event director:** Melinda Németh Zsoltné
- **Technical director:** Máté Bereczki
- **Secretary general, Event Office:** Sára Szalontai, Katalin Lendvai
- **Start:** Zsolt Gerzsényi, Balázs Marton
- **Arena:** Gyula Lantai, László Néda
- **Maps, control set up:** Gábor Kovács, Zsolt Vajda
- **IT:** András Ambrus, Soma Szalontai
- **Speaker:** Zoltán Szép

- **Course setters:** Ábel Györgyi (middle), Gábor Forrai, Miklós Forrai (relay)
- **Course controllers:** Balázs Gyenizse-Nagy (middle), Péter Györgyi (relay)

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Event description

- **Hungarian Middle Distance Championship:** daytime, middle distance, individual race (one round, without qualification), World Ranking Event (WRE) in M/W21E classes.
- **Hungarian Relay Championship:** relay race with the participation of 3 team members in all classes

Programme

- 6 June 2026 – Hungarian Middle Distance Championship, first start – 12.00
- 7 June 2026 – Hungarian Relay Championship, first start – 10.00

Event center, parking

Sáska Forester's Lodge: – GPS: [46.943863, 17.487722](#)

The event center can be reached from the edge of Sáska village on a good-quality gravel road (about 800 meters long). Direction signs will help you find the way from the village.

Parking will be available on the field next to the event center. Please follow the instructions of the volunteers helping with parking.

The ground in the parking area is quite soft, so please drive carefully. In case of long rainy weather, the organizers may move the parking area to another location. If this happens, information will be published by Friday afternoon at the latest.

Parking fee: 500 HUF/day, To make parking faster, please prepare the exact amount in advance.

Please note that parking is only allowed in the areas marked by the organizers. Parking inside Sáska village is not allowed, except for competitors staying at the Sáska Village House

Registration

At the event center, at the following times:

- **6 June 2026** – from 10.00 to 11.30
 - On-site entry in Open and M/W14B classes
 - Collection of rented SI cards
 - In M/W21E classes, collection of SIAC cards for competitors who entered the Hungarian Championship with a traditional SI card
- **7 June 2026** – from 8.30 to 9.30
 - On-site entry in Open Classes
 - Collection of rented SI cards
 - Receiving the bib numbers of the relay

Individual registration is not possible. Competition packages will only be handed out together to club representatives.

In the championship categories, no changes are possible except SI card number changes. On-site entry, cancellation, or other modifications are not allowed. SI card numbers can be changed in the [E-nevezés](#) system until 11:00 on 6 June 2026.

In the relay championship categories, relay team line-ups must be entered in the [E-nevezés](#) system by 8:00 on 7 June 2026 at the latest. The bib numbers of the relay can be collected on Sunday.

On-site entry, SI rent

Late entry and on-site entry are only possible in Open and M/W14B categories for 3,500 HUF/race, through the [E-nevezés](#) system, if places are still available.

Traditional SI cards can be rented on-site for 500 HUF/race, and contactless SIAC cards for 800 HUF/race. For competitors born in 2012 or later, traditional SI rental is free of charge.

Please note that competitors in M/W21E categories may only compete in the Middle Distance Championship with contactless SIAC cards, due to the timing method used at the event. Competitors who entered the race with a traditional SI card will receive a SIAC card free of charge during registration.

Payment

Individual entries (competitors without a club or paying individually) can pay by bank card through the [E-nevezés](#) system.

Clubs can pay by bank card or bank transfer based on an invoice. Invoices will be issued after the event according to the invoice details provided in the entry system.

For entries made after 3 June 2026 and for on-site entries, payment is possible either by bank card through the entry system or in cash at the event center.

Accommodation, transportation

- **Temporary campsite** – Sáskai, [event center](#)
 - with cold water bathing option
- **GYM** – Sáskai Village House
 - Sáskai, [Petőfi street](#)
- **Youth Hostel** – Veszprémi Középiskolai Központi Kollégium
 - Veszprém, [Stadion u. 20-22.](#)

Accommodation can still be booked in the [E-nevezés](#) system until 3 June 2026

Accommodation can be occupied from Friday 16:00 and must be left by Sunday 09:00 (except the temporary campsite).

Payment is possible by bank card through the [E-nevezés](#) system, by bank transfer based on an invoice, or in cash on-site.

No organized transport is planned.

Buffet service in the event center

A buffet will be available at the event center on both days, with pre-order meals and food available on-site.

Meals can be pre-ordered until midnight on Wednesday, 3 June 2026, by [clicking here](#).

Meals can be eaten on Saturday between 12:00–16:00 and on Sunday between 11:30–14:30.

Lunch tickets can be collected at the event office for each order after cash payment.

Bib numbers

At the Middle Distance Championship, **only** competitors in **M/W21E** categories will receive bib numbers. Bibs can be collected in the quarantine area after check-in.

At the Relay Championship, all categories will receive bib numbers. Team leaders can collect them at registration on Sunday morning.

Bib numbers must be worn on the chest. Please bring your own safety pins to attach the bib number.

At the Relay Championship, the first 2–3 digits of the bib number show the category, the next 2 digits show the team number (starting from 1 for men and 51 for women), and the number after the dot shows the running order

Example: 2101.1 = first runner of team number 1 in category M21A

Live streaming

The Middle Distance Championship and the Relay Championship can be followed with live online split times and live GPS tracking for selected competitors and relay teams.

Live GPS tracking will be available on the LED screen at the event center and also online.

Live results, GPS tracking, and all other up-to-date event information will be available at:

<https://live.woc2027.hu/>

Live results will also be shown on screens at the event center.

GPS informations

For both the Middle Distance Championship and the Relay Championship, selected competitors/teams will receive GPS devices at the start. Wearing the GPS device is mandatory.

The organizers can mainly provide an armband for carrying the GPS device on the upper arm. If this is not suitable, competitors must bring their own GPS vest. GPS devices may only be worn on the armband or GPS vest. Carrying the device in any other way (for example in a pocket or sock) is not allowed.

GPS devices at the Middle Distance Championship:

- M/W21E – 25–25 competitors
- M/W20E – 6–6 competitors
- M/W18E – 8–8 competitors
- M/W16E – 10–10 competitors

GPS devices at the Relay Championship:

- M/W21A – 15 (M21A) and 10 (W21A) selected relay teams (all runners in the relay will carry GPS)
- M/W20A – 3rd runner of 6 + 6 selected relay teams
- M/W18A – 3rd runner of 8 + 8 selected relay teams
- M/W16A – 3rd runner of 12 (M16A) and 6 (W16A) selected relay teams

If a club has more than one relay team in the same category, please make sure that bib numbers follow the team strength order when submitting relay line-ups. The stronger team should receive the lower bib number.

The start list will show which competitors/relay teams carry GPS devices, marked with a “GPS” label.

Control points and punching

Control points will have a stand, an orange–white flag, a backup needle punch, and an SI unit mounted horizontally on the stand. Air+ (contactless punching) will be enabled in both races. The only exception is the finish unit at the Relay Championship, where all runners must punch manually.

If an SI unit does not work, competitors must use the backup punch on the map and report it to the finish staff during download.

Terrain

The terrain is typical mid–mountain terrain of the South Bakony area, with elevations between 200 and 400 meters above sea level. The terrain is characterized by steep hillsides, valleys, and in some places very detailed landforms.

Vegetation is varied. There are well–runnable and open deciduous forests (mainly on the Relay Championship terrain), but also dense pine forests with bushes that strongly reduce visibility and runnability (mainly on the Middle Distance Championship terrain). In some areas, blackberry bushes and fallen trees also make running more difficult.

There are also many rocky features in some parts of the terrain, including rocks, cliffs, and small stony areas. The terrain has a medium to low density of paths and roads.

Please note that due to the rainy weather in recent weeks, vegetation may be denser in some areas than shown on the map.

Maps

Middle Distance Championships

- M/W14–M/W21 and Open A categories – 1:10.000/5m – map size: 289*199 mm
- M/W35–M/W50 categories – 1:7.500/5m – maps size: 385*265 mm
- M/W55–M85/W80 and Open B categories – 1:7.500/5m – map size: 289*199 mm

Relay Championships

- M/W14–M/W21 and M105 categories – 1:10.000/5m – map size: 289*199 mm
- W105, M/W135–M205/W185, Open A and Open B categories – 1:7.500/5m – map size: 289*199 mm

Maps in M/W21E categories (and M/W21A at the Relay Championship) will be printed on waterproof and highly durable Teslin paper. Maps in all other categories will be printed on Pretex paper.

The maps were made in 2025–2026 according to the current ISOM 2017–2 standard, with more generalization than usually used on Hungarian maps.

Map makers: Viktor Kirianov, Vadym Prokopchuk, Serhiy Usenko (UKR)

Control descriptions will be printed on the map in both races. Loose control descriptions will be provided at the Middle Distance Championships and can be collected in the start lanes. No loose control descriptions will be available at the Relay Championships.

Refreshments

At the Middle Distance Championship, M/W21E categories will have a refreshment point at a control around halfway through the course. Water will be provided. Personal refreshments are not allowed.

Water will also be available in the start quarantine areas, at the remote finish of the Middle Distance Championship, and at the event center for finishers. At the event center, please use your own cup or bottle

Model event

On Friday, 5 June 2026, one day before the competition, we offer a training opportunity near Sáska on the “Véndek-hegy” terrain.

All controls map will be provided for the training. At the control locations, A5–sized PVC signs with control flag and control codes will be placed. These controls are part of the permanent training courses prepared for the 2027 World Orienteering Championships.

A map sample of the terrain can be viewed [by clicking here](#).

The training will be **available on 5 June 2026 from 13:00 until dark. Night training with headlamps is not allowed.**

Parking: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/LK61XBmpYJPpMKE3A>

Training fee: **1,000 HUF/person**. Registration is possible through the [E-nevezés](#) system until midnight on 3 June 2026.

Printed training maps can be collected at the event center from 12:00 on 5 June 2026.

Embargoed areas

The competition area is one of the embargoed areas for the 2027 World Orienteering Championships (WOC 2027).

For the Middle & Relay Championship, until the day of the competition, the rules and information of the WOC 2027 embargo apply as follows:

- Entry to the area is forbidden for competitors and coaches involved in the championship and for athletes preparing for WOC 2027. Breaking this rule will result in disqualification from the competition.
- Entry is also forbidden for anyone who could influence the competition by sharing terrain information with the persons mentioned above.

The embargoed area can be found at the following link: [Middle & Relay Championships 2026 embargo](#)

After the competition, the area will become an official WOC 2027 training area. The exact area borders will be shown in the updated WOC 2027 embargo map. This will be available here, after the competition: [WOC 2027 – Embargoed & Training Areas](#)

Prize giving ceremonies

The winners of each category will receive the titles Hungarian Middle Distance Champion and Hungarian Relay Champion.

Competitors placing 1st–3rd will receive medals and prizes. In M/W14–21 categories, competitors placing 4th–6th will receive diplomas (Middle Distance Championship only). There will be no prize giving in Open and M/W14B categories.

The top 6 competitors in the WRE categories (M/W21E) will also receive special prizes before the Middle Distance Championship prize giving ceremony.

Planned prize giving times:

- 6 June 2026 – 16:30 – WRE race + Middle Distance Championships
- 7 June 2026 – 14:15 – Relay Championships

Childcare

A kindergarten/childcare service will be available on both competition days in the event center: Saturday: 11:00–15:00, Sunday: 09:30–13:00

Medical service

A competition doctor will be available at the event center on both days.

Media, photos, videos

Photos and videos will be taken during both competition days. These may appear in online, offline, and broadcast media.

Please do not unnecessarily block the work of photographers and camera operators, and be careful when running near them.

By entering and participating in the competition, all competitors accept and agree that photos and videos may be taken of them and used in different media

Environmental protection

Please help us keep the competition area clean and protect the environment together. If possible, please take your rubbish home after the event.

Road to WOC 2027

After the competition, on 8–9 June 2026, the 1st Official Training Camp for the 2027 World Orienteering Championships will take place. The most important information about the training camp will be available at the following link: <https://woc2027.hu/en/training-embargoed-areas/>

The next event in the competition series leading to WOC 2027 will be the Honvéd Cup (IOF Gold WRE), held on 3–4 October 2026. The event bulletin is already available at [the following link](#).

Other information

- All competitors participate in the competition at their own risk.
- Any commercial activity at the event is only allowed with prior approval from the organizing committee
- In all organizational matters, the relevant rules of the Hungarian championship system and competition rules apply.
- Club tents may be set up only in the area marked in the arena layout at the end of this bulletin.



RACE SPECIFIC INFORMATION

Hungarian Middle Distance Championships – 6 June 2026

First start: 12.00 óra

Quarantine

Start quarantine will be used at the Middle Distance Championships.

The quarantine is **1700 m** from the event center with **130 m climb**, marked with blue-white tapes.

It is forbidden to leave the taped route on the way to the quarantine. The quarantine closes at 12:45. All competitors, including Open and M/W14B categories, must enter the quarantine before this time.

Upon request, transport to the quarantine will be provided for men over 80 years old and women over 75 years old. The vehicle leaves from the inflatable arena gate (entrance) at **11:15**.

It is forbidden to bring or use any communication or information devices inside the quarantine area, especially mobile phones and tablets. This also includes any device capable of displaying maps. GPS watches are allowed only if they are not used for communication or navigation. **Breaking these rules will result in disqualification.**

Coaches and supporters may stay inside the quarantine if they enter before 12:45, but once they leave, they cannot return.

Equipment left in the quarantine will be transported back to the event center continuously. Mobile toilets and drinking water will be available in the quarantine area.

In hot weather, enough shaded area will be available. In rainy weather, a limited covered area (tent) will be provided.

A map of the allowed warm-up area will be displayed in the quarantine. Please fully respect the competition terrain restrictions!

Competitors in M/W21E categories will receive bib numbers, which must be worn during the race. **Bib numbers can be collected after entering the quarantine.** Please bring your own safety pins.

Start

The pre-start area is located very close to the quarantine entrance. Competitors must enter the pre-start area 10 minutes before their start time (-10). Coaches and supporters are not allowed beyond the pre-start.

Competitors selected for GPS tracking must collect and wear their GPS device when entering the pre-start area. Wearing the GPS device is mandatory. The organizers mainly provide upper-arm straps. Competitors

who prefer another solution should bring their own GPS vest. GPS devices may only be worn on an arm strap or GPS vest, not in pockets, socks, or other places.

The distance from the pre-start to the start is 250 m with 35 m climb, marked with blue-white tape.

Start procedure:

-10 min – enter pre-start, pick up the GPS device

before -3 min – collect loose control descriptions

-3 min – SI clear and check

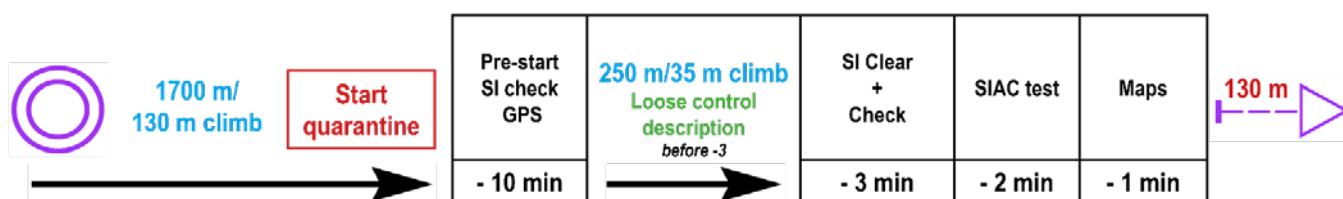
-2 min – SIAC test

-1 min – move next to the map

START – take the map and start

Non-championship categories also start according to the start list and the same start procedure.

Distance from time start to map start: **130 m**. The route to the map start is marked with red-white tapes and must be followed.



WRE start

Competitors in M/W21E categories will start through a start gate with poles. Because of this, a separate start lane will be used for these categories during the last minute before the start (-1 min – move next to the map).

Starting is allowed within +/- 3 seconds of the official start time. The official race time starts when the competitor passes through the start gate.

Please note that due to the timing system, competitors in M/W21E categories may only use SIAC contactless punching cards at the competition. Competitors who entered with a traditional SI card will receive an SIAC free of charge during registration.

Refreshments

At the Middle Distance Championship, M/W21E categories will have a refreshment point at a control around halfway through the course. Water will be provided. Personal refreshments are not allowed.

Finish

There will be two finish areas during the competition. One finish is at the event center, and the other is a remote finish.

The following categories use the remote finish: M/W14E, 55A, 60A, 65A, 70A, 75A, 80A, M85A, Open B, M/W14B

The event center is 1300 m from the remote finish with no climb. The route back to the event center will not be taped. The mandatory route will be shown on a map after finishing.

At the remote finish, race time is stopped by punching the finish unit, which will work in Air+ contactless mode.

All other categories finish at the event center. Competitors using SIAC contactless cards do not need to punch the finish unit. Their race time will stop automatically when crossing the finish line mat.

Competitors using traditional SI cards must manually punch the finish unit at the finish line.

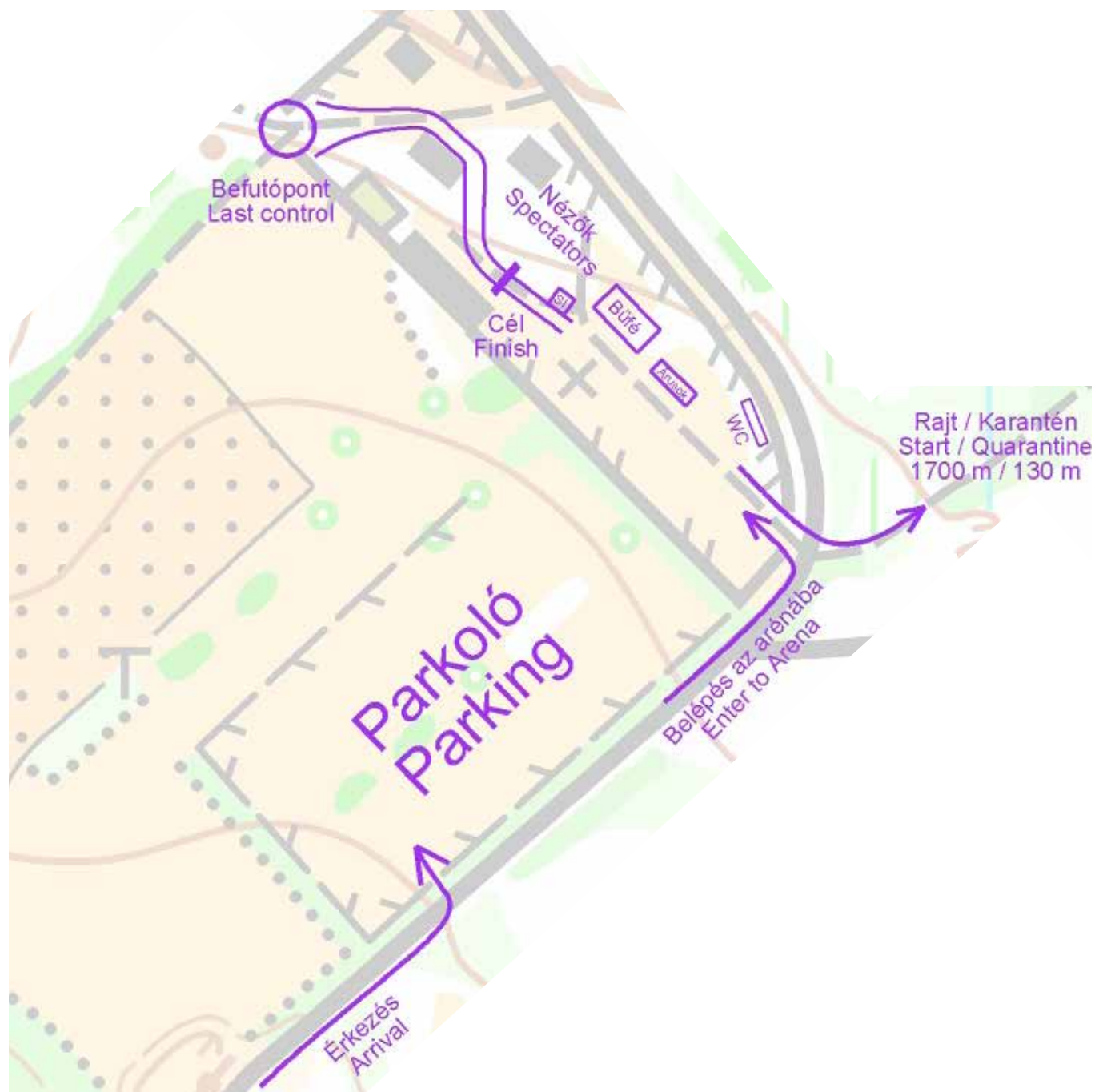
All competitors must read out the SI cards at the event center. Competitors finishing at the remote finish must read out by 16:00, otherwise their result will not be valid.

Maps won't be collected after finishing.

Course datas

Categories	Length	Climb	Controls		Categories	Length	Climb	Controls
M14E	3,3	120	10		W14E	2,9	95	11
M16E	4	120	14		W16E	3,7	125	15
M18E	4,6	135	17		W18E	4,2	135	14
M20E	5,1	190	18		W20E	4,5	150	16
M21E	5,9	265	20		W21E	5	195	17
M35A	5	200	19		W35A	4,5	190	16
M40A	4,8	180	16		W40A	4,2	170	16
M45A	4,4	160	15		W45A	4	145	14
M50A	4	160	14		W50A	3,5	120	12
M55A	3,6	155	16		W55A	3,2	100	13
M60A	3,4	110	13		W60A	2,8	55	11
M65A	3	90	12		W65A	2,6	50	9
M70A	2,7	90	11		W70A	2,2	15	10
M75A	2,4	15	9		W75A	1,9	10	8
M80A	2,2	15	9		W80A	1,7	10	7
M85A	1,7	10	8					
M14B	2,1	35	9		W14B	1,9	40	7
					OPEN B	1,7	25	6
					OPEN A	4	110	15

Middle Distance Championships Arena



Hungarian Relay Championship – 7 June 2026

First start: 10.00 óra

Changeover demonstration

Relay team line-ups with runner names must be submitted through the [E-nevezés](#) system no later than Sunday, 7 June 2026, 08:00.

Later changes are only possible with special permission from the event controller and after payment of a 20,000 HUF penalty fee.

Because of the GPS broadcast, if a club has more than one relay team in the same category, please make sure that teams receive bib numbers according to team strength. The stronger team should receive the lower bib number.

Relay format

3×1 person forked relay (farsta) in all categories.

Changeover demonstration

Map handout, mass start, run-through, finish, changeover, and exit procedures will be demonstrated at **09:45**.

Quarantine

Because of the GPS broadcast, start quarantine will be used in the following categories at the Relay Championships:

- All runners in M/W21A categories
- All 2nd and 3rd leg runners in M/W20A categories
- All 2nd and 3rd leg runners in M/W18A categories
- All 2nd and 3rd leg runners in M/W16A categories

The quarantine area will be located next to the event center, at the place shown on the arena map. Mobile toilets and drinking water will be available in the quarantine area. Until the quarantine closes, clubs may set up their own tents there, and the mobile toilets will be available for everyone.

Competitors in the categories listed above **must enter the quarantine no later than 11:15**.

It is forbidden to bring or use any communication or information device inside the quarantine area, especially mobile phones and tablets. This also applies to devices capable of displaying maps. GPS watches are allowed only if they are not used for communication or navigation. Breaking these rules will result in disqualification.

Because the quarantine is located directly next to the event center, it is also forbidden to communicate in any way with people outside the quarantine area (for example by shouting or hand signals).

Coaches and supporters may stay inside the quarantine if they enter before it closes, but once they leave, they may not return.

Bib numbers

Relay Championship bib numbers can be collected at registration on Sunday. Bib numbers must be worn on the chest. Please bring your own safety pins.

The first 2–3 digits of the bib number show the category, the next 2 digits show the team number (starting from 1 for men and 51 for women), and the number after the dot shows the running order.

Example: 2101.1 = first runner of team number 1 in category M21A

Entering the start zone

When entering the start zone, every competitor is responsible for activating their own SI card (clear and check).

Clear, check, and SIAC test units (several sets) will be placed before the mass start area and the relay changeover zone.

Maps

Mass start (1st leg runners): At the mass start area, 1st leg runners must follow the instructions of the start officials and line up by category in separate rows (see in the table below). The runners will get the rolled-up maps from the starting staff, according to their start numbers. The maps may only be opened after the start.

2nd and 3rd leg runners must take their own rolled-up maps from the map racks in the changeover zone according to their bib numbers. Choosing the correct map is the responsibility of the competitor.

After taking the map, competitors may not leave the changeover zone. Maps may only be opened after the changeover.

Please throw the rubber bands used to hold the rolled-up maps into the bag placed in the changeover zone.

Mass start timetable

Mass start	1st line	2nd line	3rd line	4th line
10:00	M14A	W135A	M205A	
10:05	M135A	W14A	W105A	
10:10	M105A	M165A	W185A	
10:15	W165A	M185A	Open A	Open B
11:00	M16A	W16A		
11:05	M18A	W18A		
11:10	M20A	W20A		
11:30	M21A	W21A		

Mass start times for competitors who have not yet started:

- M/W14A, M/W105, 135, 165, 185, M205 – **12.15**
- M/W16A, 18A, 20A – **13.10**
- M/W21A – **13.40**

Arena passage, changeover

All courses has a spectator control, close to the arena. After this control, competitors must follow a mandatory route, which is visible from the arena. The arena passage continues until the end of the barriers, after which the orienteering part continues without additional marking. From the spectator control to the finish, the remaining course takes approximately **3–6 minutes**.

Please note that in several categories, the course print after the arena passage is more difficult to read than usual.

2nd and 3rd leg runners may enter the changeover zone and take their maps when their teammate passes through the arena. The changeover is made by hand touch. The map may only be opened and viewed after the changeover.

The spectator control and arena passage are only partly visible from the quarantine area. Therefore, a screen will be placed at the quarantine exit showing the bib numbers of incoming runners.

All competitors staying in the quarantine are asked to watch the screen carefully, as it is the responsibility of each team to notice their own runners.

Competitors may leave the quarantine towards the changeover zone once their teammate has punched the run-through point.

GPS pick up in the quarantine

Competitors selected for GPS tracking and waiting in the quarantine must collect their GPS device in the tent at the quarantine exit before entering the changeover zone. Wearing the GPS device is mandatory.

The organizers mainly provide upper-arm straps for the GPS devices. Competitors who prefer another solution should bring their own GPS vest. GPS devices may only be worn on an arm strap or GPS vest, not in pockets, socks, or other places.

Competitors selected for GPS tracking are asked not to wait until the last moment to pick up the device. Please put on the GPS already during warm-up to make the changeover procedure as smooth as possible.

Finish

After the changeover, every finishing runner must punch the finish unit placed behind the finish line.

The finish unit will not work in contactless mode, therefore SIAC cards must also be inserted manually into the finish unit.

For 3rd leg runners, the finishing order is decided by the chest crossing the finish line, regardless of the order in which the finish unit is punched afterwards.

The finish judge makes the final decision on finishing order. Ties are not possible.

Distances from time start to map start

Mass start - map start: 90 m

Changeover zone - map start: 150 m

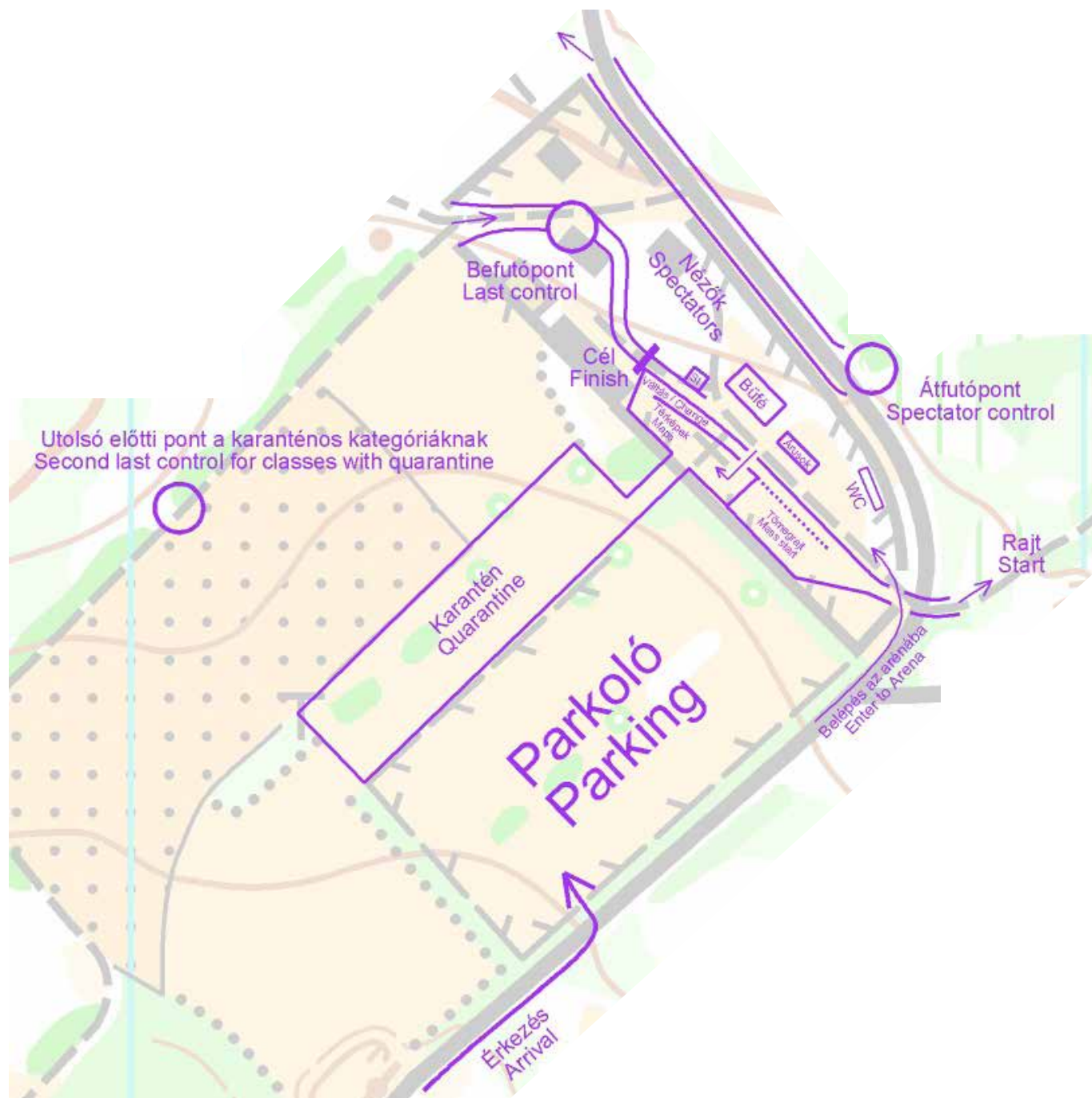
Map collection

Maps must be handed in until **12:15**. After this time, team leaders may collect them.

Course datas

Categories	Length	Climb	Contols	Categories	Length	Climb	Controls
M14A	3,3	140	15	W14A	2,8	120	15
M16A	3,8	180	16	W16A	3,7	160	14
M18A	4,8	220	16	W18A	4	200	15
M20A	4,9	230	17	W20A	4,1	200	16
M21A	5,7	270	18	W21A	5,1	210	18
M105A	4,7	200	16	W105A	3,1	160	13
M135A	4,2	190	17	W135A	3	140	13
M165A	3,8	170	15	W165A	2,6	100	13
M185A	3,5	150	15	W185A	2	70	10
M205A	2,7	110	14				
OPEN B	2,5	100	9	OPEN A	3,6	200	18

Relay Championship Arena





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