10th World Rogaining Championships

Czech Republic August 30th – September 2nd 2012 BULLETIN No 1 **Preliminary instructions**

Format and Rules

The World Rogaining Championships will be held as a 24 hour rogaining event in accordance to the International Rules of Rogaining published at the IRF web site: http://rogaining.com/resources/irfrules062010.pdf

Organisers

International Rogaining Federation (IRF) and Czech Association of Rogaining (CAR) http://www.rogaining.com http://www.rogaining.cz

Event Centre

Czech Republic, Přebuz (Karlovarský region, about 25 km to the northwest from Karlovy Vary, about 140 km westward from Prague)

Participants and Teams

Number of entries is limited to 1000 participants. Teams consist of 2-3 members only.

Competition Classes

- Men's Open (MO) men, no age restriction
- Women's Open (WO) women, no age restriction
- Mixed Open (XO) at least one man and one woman, no age restriction
- Men's Junior (MJ) men, all must be under 20 years of age
- Women's Junior (WJ) women, all must be under 20 years of age
- Mixed Junior (XJ) at least one man and one woman, all must be under 20 years of age
- Men's Veteran (MV) men, all must be 40 years of age or over
- Women's Veteran (WV) women, all must be 40 years of age or over
- Mixed Veteran (XV) at least one man and one woman, all must be 40 years of age or over
- Men's Super Veteran (MSV) men, all must be 55 years of age or over
- Women's Super Veteran (WSV) women, all must be 55 years of age or over
- Mixed Super Veteran (XSV) at least one man and one woman, all must be 55 years of age or over

Punching system

Electronic punching system SportIdent will be used. During the race every competitor has to have one SI card. Competitors may use their own SI cards (if they have the high capacity cards - version 6) or they can borrow one from the organisers. Specify your demand via on-line entry form, please.

Timetable

Thursday 30 August 2012

12:00 Camping at the hash house opens

16:00 – 22:00 Registration at the event centre is open

Friday, 31 August 2012

8:00 – 9:30 Registration at the event centre, SportIdent cards sealing on wristbands

9:30 Map handout

12:00 Start

15:00 Catering available at the hash house

19:24 Moonrise

19:56 Sunset

20:30 End civil twilight

Saturday, 1 September 2012

5:50 Beginning of civil twilight

6:24 Sunrise

7:27 Moonset

12:00 Finish

14:00 Catering at the hash house closes

14:00 Prize-giving ceremony

19:00 Winners' routes projection

20:00 Rogaining after party

Sunday, 2 September 2012

10:00 Camping at the hash house closes

Accommodation

- a number of hotels and pensions available, contacts will be published on the WRC 2012 website
- \bullet camping for competitors' own tents at the event centre from Thursday 30^{th} August to Sunday 2^{nd} September 2012

Travel Information

By air: From Prague airport to Prague Florenc bus terminal, then by bus via Sokolov (change), Rotava (change) to Přebuz (details of transport connections will be published on the WRC 2012 website).

By car: from Prague follow the Karlovy Vary highway (R6 or E48); in Karlovy Vary take road No. 220 to Nejdek, Vysoká Pec and Přebuz.

The detailed navigation from Prague airport Ruzyně:



Chartered buses from Prague or Karlovy Vary to Přebuz can be arranged upon request (via on-line entry form).

Terrain

Hilly terrain of Krušné hory mountains (Ore Mountains/Erzgebirge) along the Czech/German border, elevation from 550 to 1018 m above sea level. Mixed (coniferous and broad-leaved) forest with various levels of passability, numerous water objects: rivers, streams, lakes and swamps. Some moors are non-passable. Many forest tracks, paths and trails.

Map

Special rogaining map, scale 1:40 000, contour interval 10 m, updated in spring 2012

Wildlife

Competitors may encounter deer, roe deer and fox. Other wild animals are seen rarely, but these include wild boar, badger...

The only venomous snake in the race area is viper/adder, and it is encountered rarely. Its bite is not life-threatening, but still requires immediate medical attention and application of anti-venom.

Climate and typical weather

Central European Climate. During this season you can expect warm sunny weather, daytime temperatures 20-25°C, nighttime temperatures 5-15°C. Medium probability of rain.

Entry Criteria for 2012 World Rogaining Championships

(for full text see http://www.rogaining.cz/wrc2012/files/entry_criteria.pdf):

- Number of entries will be limited to 1,000 people
- Team size is restricted to 2 or 3 members
- applications for entry will be taken via online entry form
- Phase 1 of the registration:1st 14th December 2011
- Phase 2 of the registration: 15th December 2011 31st January 2012
- Phase 3 of the registration: 1st February 15th August 2012
- Entrants who register will be invited via email to confirm their entry. They have 3 weeks to pay following the invitation.

Registration

Registration to the event opens on 1st December 2011 - on-line entry form on the WRC 2012 website.

Entry fee (per competitor)

- The entry fee is 65, € per person (registration up to 31st March 2012)
- The entry fee is 75, € per person (registration from 1st April 2012)

 The fee covers the costs of organising and setting up the event, maps, 3-day camping and parking, catering during the race, equipment and property hire, trophies and awards, the IRF levy (9, €/entrant) and municipal fees.
- Rental of SI cards 3, €/pc.

Withdrawals and Team Changes

- A team withdrawing before 31st May 2012 will be returned 75 % of the entry fee
- A team withdrawing from 31st May to 30th June 2012 will be reimbursed 50 %
- A team withdrawing from 1st to 31st July 2012 will be reimbursed 25 %
- After 31st July 2012 there will be no refund

The organisers will offer the vacancies to the next team on the wait list.

Team membership may be changed (including additions if the number cap is not exceeded) without charge. However, the entry criteria continue to apply and the organisers will check whether a team keeps its pre-qualifying status.

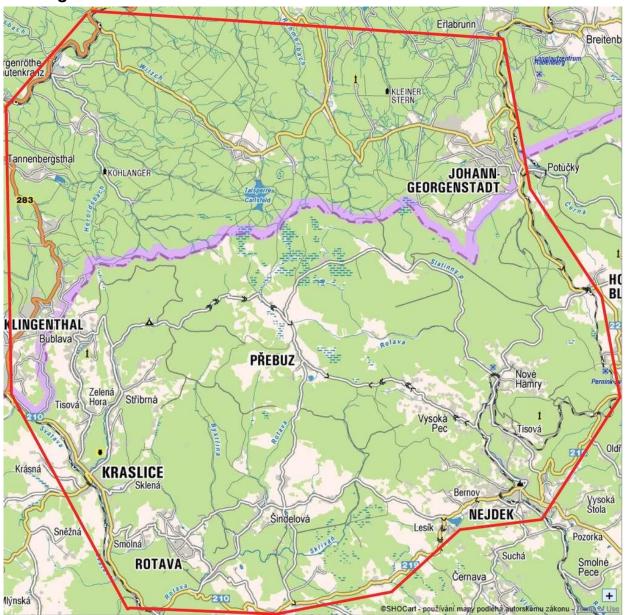
Accompanying persons and spectators

Accompanying persons and spectators (over 6 years of age) staying at the event centre shall pay a fee 25, - €, which includes: 3-day camping and parking, catering at the hash house during the race, event map (delivered after the finish).

Training Possibilities and Related Events

Saturday 23rd – Sunday 24th June 2012 - Czech Rogaining Championship

Embargoed areas



The race area delimited by municipalities of Morgenröthe – Eibenstock – Sosa – Erlabrunn – Johann-Georgenstadt – Potůčky – Horní Blatná – Pernink – Nejdek – Jindřichovice – Rotava – Kraslice, except for public roads, is embargoed from the date of publishing Bulletin No 1 until the event. Any competitor found in this area will be disqualified from the event.

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Event information

WRC 2012 website: http://www.rogaining.cz/wrc2012

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