

WMOC2027 Public Races

Information on the WMOC 2027 Public Races

(Bulletin1)

While participation in the World Masters Orienteering Championships (WMOC) is restricted to those aged 35 and older, "Public Races" are held concurrently for younger family members accompanying the competitors. WMOC2027 will be held with the following details:



Organiser : The Japan Orienteering Association (JOA)

Supervisor : JOA-WMG2027 Organizing Committee

Collaborator : WMG2021 Kansai Hyogo prefecture Organizing Committee, WMG2021 Kansai Kami town Orienteering Steering Committee, WMG2027 Kansai Yabu city Organizing Committee, WMG2027 Kansai Kamikawa town Organizing Committee

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World Masters Orienteering Championships 2027

Website: <https://wmoc2027.jp/>

Venue, Competition Schedule, and Classifications

● **Schedule and Venue:** The following three races will be held as independent races.

Date	Public Races	WMG/WMOC program	Venue
22 May (Sat)		Sprint Qualification	Shiokaze Park
23 May (Sun)	WMOC2027 Public Race1 Kasumi Sprint	Sprint Final	Shiokaze Park
24 May (Mon)	WMOC2027 Public Race 2 Hachi Middle	Forest Model event	Hachi- Kogen
25 May (Tue)		Forest Qualification	Higashi-Hachibuse
26 May (Wed)		Middle distance Final	Uwano-Kogen
27 May (Thu)		Rest Day or Training Event	Hachikita-Kogen
28 May (Fri)	WMOC2027 Public Race 3 Mineyama Middle	Long distance Final	Mineyama-Kogen

● **Terrain, maps, and planners:** These will follow the same specifications as the WMOC and be handled by the WMOC course planner.

Event	Public Race1 Kasumi Sprint	Public Race2 Hachi Middle	Public Race3 Mineyama Middle
Category	Sprint	Forest Middle distance	Forest Middle distance
Date Scheduled start time	23 May 2027 (Sun) 13 : 00~14 : 00	24 May 2027 (Mon) 10 : 30~11 : 30	28 May 2027 (Fri) 13 : 00~14 : 00
Terrain	Kasumi	Hachi-Kogen	Mineyama-kogen
Map	scale 1:4,000 or 1:3,000 contour interval 2m	scale 1:10,000, 1:7,500, or 1:5,000 contour interval 5m	scale 1:10,000, 1:7,500, or 1:5,000 contour interval 5m
Planner	Ryosuke HASHIMOTO	Keisuke TAMAKI	Hironori KATAYAMA
Event Adviser	Norihisa FUJII	Akihiro YOKOE	Kimiya OCHIAI

● **Class categories:** Common to all three events.

Class	Technical Level (JOA Guidelines)	Physical Level	Winning Time (Min) S: sprint, F: Forest	Maximum competition time (Min)
P1	Difficult (6)	Long	S:12~15, F:30~35	S:60, F:90
P2	Medium (4-5)	Relatively long	S:12~15, F:25~30	S:60, F:90
P3	Relatively easy (2-3)	Medium	S:12~15, F:25~30	S:60, F:90
P4	Easy (1-2)	Short	S:12~15, F:25~30	S:60, F:90

●**Punching system:** SI (SPORTident) will be used. All events support touch-free (SIAC) punching, but SI-card10 and older models can also be used.

●**Start method:** Punching start; you may start at any time within the designated time window.

●**Results :** Results will be published on Lap Centre (<https://mulka2.com/lapcenter/>) and the WMOC website (<https://wmoc2027.jp/>). There will be no award ceremony.

●**Clothing and equipment :**

Competitors are free to choose their clothing and footwear. Spiked shoes are prohibited in all races. Dobb-spiked shoes are prohibited in sprint races.

For forest races, wearing long sleeves and full leg cover. Please be sure to carry a whistle. We also recommend bringing a mobile phone for emergency communication.

Participating

●**Registration Period:** Registration opens on November 1, 2026. The standard registration deadline is April 10, 2027, and the late registration deadline is May 15.

●**Entry Fees :**

Classes	Sprint		Forest Middle (Per race)	
	Standard Entry	Late Entry	Standard Entry	Late Entry
P1	¥3,000	¥4,000	¥5,000	¥6,000
P2/P3/P4	¥2,000	¥3,000	¥3,000	¥4,000

●**SI rental fees** (per day):

Advance reservation: SIAC ¥700. Same-day registration: SIAC ¥1,000, SI Classic ¥700.

●**Parking fee** (per day): ¥2,000 (for private vehicles)

●**How to enter:** Please complete the registration process via Japan-O-entryY (JOY).

<https://japan-o-entry.com/>

If you would like to view the site in English, please click **English** at the top of the home page. Please make your payment via credit card using the JOY screen (VISA, Master, AMEX, Diners, JCB). For same-day registrations, payment must be made in Japanese yen cash only.

Cancellation: You can cancel via the JOY screen up until the deadline.

For information regarding travel, competition, and safety other than the above, please refer to WMOC2027 Bulletin 1.

<https://wmoc2027.jp/competitions/bulletins/>

The numbers preceding the items below correspond to the item numbers in Bulletin 1.

However, please note that the following items differ from those of the WMOC.

7: Insurance; The organizers plan to take out accident insurance; however, **this does not cover residents living overseas.** Please arrange your own overseas travel insurance or similar coverage.

18: Transportation; Bus reservations for the event venue must be made via IOF Eventor; bookings cannot be made through JOY. We recommend traveling to the venue by private car. While WMOC participants (such as family members) may book the official bus on your behalf via IOF Eventor, the deadline for doing so is February 28.

Travel-related information

- 3: Climate
- 4: Visaas
- 5 : Currency
- 6 : Communication
- 8: Sightseeing
- 9: Food
- 18 : Transport and Parking
- 19 : Accommodation

Competition-related information

- 2.4 : Embargoed area
- 11: Maps
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Safety-related information

- 20 : General Risks and Countermeasures in Orienteering
- 21 : Safety Information and Requests
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Participant Agreement

By registering for WMOC2027 Public Races, you agree to the following terms and conditions.

1. I understand the general risks (see Section 20.) associated with orienteering, which takes place in a natural environment, as well as the potential for unforeseen issues, and I participate with this understanding.
2. I will adhere to all rules and precautions set by the organisers and will take sufficient care to protect the environment while participating in the event.
3. If I am unwell on the day of the event, I will voluntarily withdraw from participation. I will pay close attention to my safety and health, and will promptly cease competing if I experience any abnormalities in my condition.
4. I consent to receiving first aid in the event of injury or illness during the event, and acknowledge that compensation will be within the scope of the insurance taken out by the organisers.
5. I accept responsibility for the management of my valuables and belongings, and agree that the organisers will not be held responsible for any loss or theft.
6. I agree to the collection of my personal information by the organisers under the following conditions:
 - 1) Personal information collected by the organisers will only be used for tasks necessary for the operation of this event and for the announcement and promotion of future events hosted by the JOA.
 - 2) Personal information collected by the organisers will not be provided to third parties except in cases of outsourced work, legal requirements, or emergencies.
 - 3) The organisers will promptly respond to any requests from participants to disclose, correct, add, or delete their personal information.
7. I agree that the organisers will decide on any necessary reduction or cancellation of the event due to earthquakes, disasters, severe weather, incidents, epidemics, or other unforeseen events, and I will follow their decision regarding the refund of participation fees.
8. I agree that images, photos, articles, and records (including personal information such as name, age, gender, and results) of me during the event may be reported, published, and used in newspapers, television, magazines, the internet, pamphlets, etc. I also agree that the rights to these publications and their use belong to the organisers.
9. I will not provide false information about my age, gender, or identity, nor will I participate on behalf of someone else.
10. I will not enter the competition areas outside the designated event days, using the maps