

IOF POLICY ON CONFLICTING EVENT DATES

The following priority orders shall be considered when planning and approving dates for IOF events. Where an organiser stages two events together, the event with higher rank shall determine the priority order against an event staged by another organiser.

Priority order of IOF events

1. The World Games Orienteering Event
2. World Championships
3. Junior World Championships
4. World Masters Championships
5. Regional Championships
6. World Cup
7. World Ranking Events

Priority order of IOF disciplines

1. Foot Orienteering
2. Ski Orienteering
3. MTB Orienteering
4. Trail Orienteering

IOF Policy on conflicting event dates in priority order

1. World Orienteering Championships shall not be organised during or less than 2 weeks before/after Olympic Games or The World Games, or during FIFA World Cup, IAAF World Championships or UEFA European Championship. IOF will coordinate with CISM and FISU in order to try to avoid overlaps in the dates of IOF World Orienteering Championships and the following CISM and FISU events: CISM World Summer Games, CISM World Military Orienteering Championships, FISU World University Orienteering Championships and CISM World Cadet Games.
2. World Ski Orienteering Championships shall not be organised during or less than 2 weeks before/after Winter Olympic Games, or during or less than 1 week before/after FIS Nordic World Ski Championships. IOF will coordinate with CISM and FISU in order to try to avoid overlaps in the dates of IOF World Ski Orienteering Championships, CISM World Winter Games and FISU Winter Universiade.
3. World MTB Orienteering Championships shall not be organised during Olympic Games or FIFA World Cup.
4. IOF Junior World Championships (in any discipline) shall not be organised during Olympic Games or IOF World Championships.
5. It is strongly recommended that World Masters Orienteering Championships are not organised during or less than 2 days before/after major traditional multiday events (O-Ringen, FIN5, Swiss 6-days, Scottish 6-days).
6. IOF World Championships, Junior World Championships and World Masters Championships shall not be organised during or less than 2 days before/after the corresponding event in another IOF discipline.*
7. The period between IOF World Championships and Junior World Championships in the same discipline should be at least 1 week.*
8. The period between IOF World Championships and World Masters Championships in the same discipline should be at least 2 days.*
9. The period between IOF World Championships, World Cup and Regional Championships in the same discipline should be at least 3 days in any event combination.*

**Does not apply where the events are organised by the same organiser in the same place.*

Definition of 'event dates': the minimum period that a competitor must be present in order to compete in all races and to participate in the opening and closing ceremonies.
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Prohibited period – IOF World Championships

WOC:	Olympic Games + 2 weeks before/after The World Games + 2 weeks before/after FIFA World Cup IAAF World Championships UEFA European Championship
WSOC:	Winter Olympic Games + 2 weeks before/after FIS Nordic World Ski Championships + 1 week before/after
WMTBOC:	Olympic Games FIFA World Cup WOC + 2 days before/after
WTOC:	Paralympic Games + 2 weeks before/after WMTBOC + 2 days before/after WOC + 2 days before/after

Prohibited period – IOF Junior World Championships

JWOC:	Olympic Games WOC + 1 week before/after WMTBOC + 1 week before/after
JWSOC:	Winter Olympic Games WSOC + 1 week before/after
JWMTBOC:	Olympic Games WOC + 1 week before/after JWOC + 2 days before/after

Prohibited period – IOF World Masters Championships

WMOC:	WOC + 2 days before/after Listed multiday events + 2 days before/after (recommendation)
WMSOC:	WSOC + 2 days before/after
WMMTBOC:	WMTBOC + 2 days before/after WMOC + 2 days before/after