



INTERNATIONAL ORIENTEERING FEDERATION

## WORLD MTB ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS IN THE YEAR 2014

### Guidance notes for applicants

#### I. Introduction

The World MTB Orienteering Championships are organised every year. Applications shall be received no later than January 31<sup>st</sup> three years prior to the Championship year.

All IOF member federations are hereby invited to submit to the IOF an application to host the World MTB Orienteering Championships in the year 2014. The application deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> January 2011.

#### II. Event programme

The event dates are proposed by the organiser and approved by the IOF. The recommended event programme is:

- Day 1: Sprint
- Day 2: Middle distance
- Day 3: Long Distance Qualification
- Day 4: rest
- Day 5: Long Distance Final
- Day 6: Relay

Deviations from this programme are possible but they must be negotiated with the IOF. There shall also be an opening ceremony, a closing ceremony and adequate model events. The organiser is expected to provide open international events for individuals not included in the national teams.

#### III. General information on application criteria and procedure

All IOF member federations are invited to submit to the IOF an application to host the event in 2014. The application shall be submitted to the IOF Secretariat by the national orienteering federation, not by the local organiser.

The envisaged schedule is as follows:

November 2010	Application forms are distributed to the national federations and published on the IOF homepage
31 <sup>st</sup> January 2011	Deadline for applications
February 2011 →	Review of the applications, preliminary organiser's agreement to be signed
August 2011	The IOF Council appoints the organiser.

#### IV. Sanction fee to be paid for the organising rights

In accordance with the Competition Rules for IOF MTB Orienteering Events, the IOF Council has taken the decision to impose a levy on the event. This compulsory fee shall be paid to the IOF to obtain the organising rights for the event. The sanction fee applicable to the 2014 World MTB Orienteering Championships is 10,000 EUR. The fee includes full sponsorship rights.

The IOF, the national federation and the local organiser shall strive to achieve as extensive TV and Internet coverage of the event as possible. The organiser may not enter into any TV or Internet agreement without prior consultation with, and approval of, the IOF.

#### V. Further information and advice

The IOF, through its MTB Orienteering Commission is prepared to offer guidance on all aspects of organising the World Championships.

**The applications shall be sent so as to reach the IOF Secretariat by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2011. The address is: International Orienteering Federation, Radiokatu 20, FIN-00093 SLU, FINLAND.**