

7th European Youth Orienteering Championships

Solothurn – Wangen a.d. Aare – Langenthal, Switzerland, 10th-12th October 2008

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Switzerland welcomes all European nations to the 7th European Youth Orienteering Championships 2008 in the region of Oberaargau-Solothurn

Organisers

impOLs – a regional association of 6 orienteering clubs:

OLG Balsthal-Gäu	http://www.olgbalsthalgaeu.ch/
OLG Biberist SO	www.solv.ch/olgbiberistso
Bucheggberger OL	www.bucheggbergerol.ch
OLG Herzogenbuchsee	www.impols.ch/olgherzogenbuchsee
OLG Huttwil	www.olghuttwil.ch
OLV Langenthal	www.olv-langenthal.ch

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Event Centre

Military base in Wangen an der Aare, a small town in the region Oberaargau-Solothurn

Accommodation

Common accommodation facilities and meals for all competitors and officials.

Programme

Thursday, 9 th October	Arrival, registration, model event
Friday, 10 th October	Opening ceremony, long distance event
Saturday, 11 th October	Relay, banquet, EYOC party
Sunday, 12 th October	Sprint event, departure

Classes

Women-16, Woman-18, Men-16, Men-18.

National teams consisting of 4 competitors in each class. Max. 4 officials are allowed per nation.

Participants

The European Youth Orienteering Championships are open to runners not older than 18 year on 31st December 2008 in classes W18, M18; runners not older than 16 year on 31st December 2008 in classes W16, M16. All competitors must be full passport holding citizens of the country they are representing.

Competitions

Sprint event and long distance event: 4 competitors per national team in each class.

Relay: 3 legs, one national team in each class.

Punching system

All events will be organised by SPORTident electronic punching system.

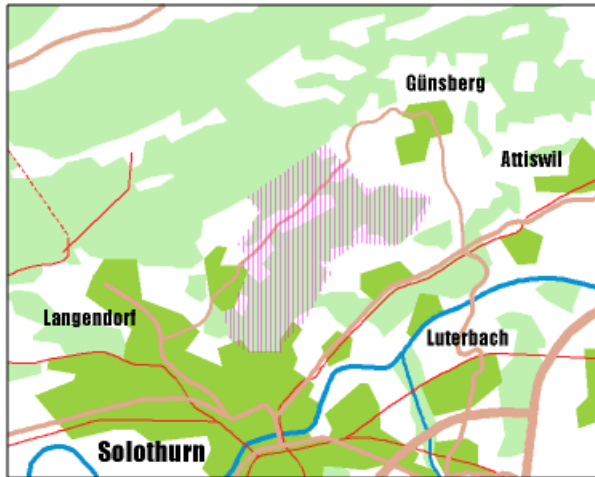
Maps and terrains

Long distance event: 1:10'000, 5m contours. The northern part of the terrain is an evenly falling downhill slope of the first chain of the Jura mountains, in the southern part there are some stony areas.

Relay: 1:10'000, 5m contours. Flat, compact mixed forest, to the south some hilly parts.

Sprint event: 1:4'000, city area. Solothurn is the most beautiful Barock-city of Switzerland, with about 15'000 inhabitants.

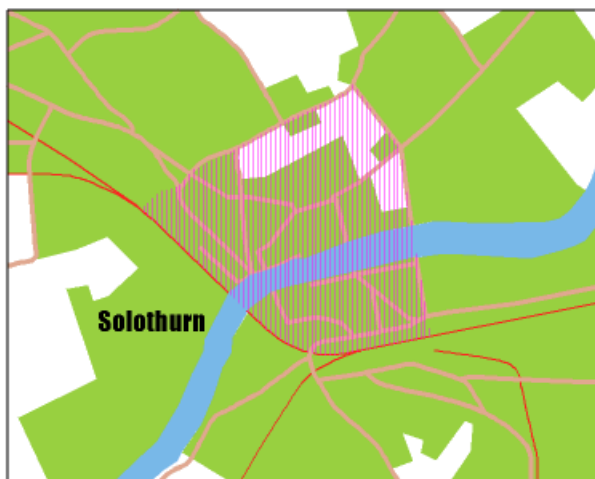
Embargoed areas



Long distance event, map: "Martinsfluh"



Relay, map: "Langenthal Ost"



Sprint event, map "Solothurn City"

Training areas

The followings training maps will be offered:

Map	Year	Scale	Distance from Event Centre
Wiedlisbach	2005	1: 5'000	2 km
Pfaffenweiher	2006	1:10'000	3 km
Oenzberg	2007	1:10'000	5 km
Buechhof	2004	1:10'000	11 km
Rappenchopf	2005	1:10'000	12 km
Blattenberg	2007	1:10'000	19 km
Säli	2007	1:10'000	23 km
Stadt Olten	2006	1: 5'000	23 km
Gensberg-Tannhubel	from 2008	1:10'000	1 km

All maps are available at the information (see address of organising committee).

Entries

Preliminary entry form will be available from March 2008 on the official website:
www.eyoc2008.ch.

Entry fees

About 160 EUR per participant (runner and official).

Included are:

- start fees for all three events, including model event
- accommodation 9th to 12th October (3 nights)
- full board (lunch 9th to lunch 12th October)
- transport from the event centre to the competition areas