

Mentor SILVA CUP 2026

International Orienteering Event

Enjoy **5** days of

wild
Orienteering
in Romania!

26-30 August 2026, Buzău

Prologue

Middle Distance WRE

Long Distance WRE

7 Legs Mixed Relay

Sprint WRE

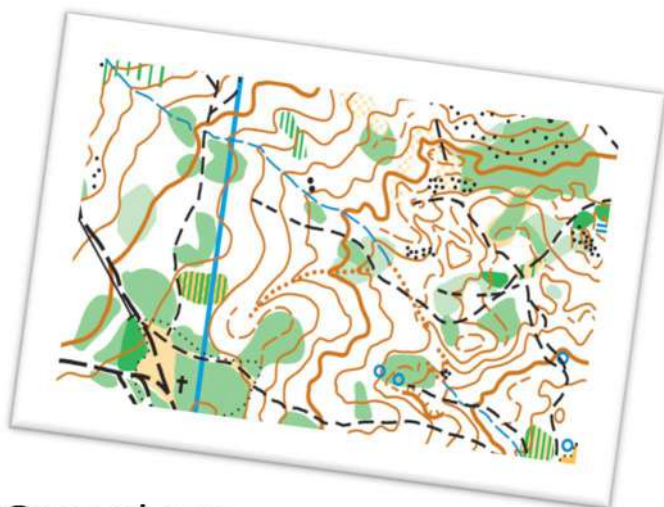
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Bulletin 3

Enjoy 6 spectacular runs in
Buzău, Romania, 26 – 30 August 2026

- ▲ Prologue
- ▲ WRE Middle Distance
- ▲ WRE Long Distance
- ▲ 7 Legs Mixed Relay (5th edition)
- ▲ Training
- ▲ WRE Sprint



Organizers

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National controller: Gabriel MAIORESCU

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Sponsors and partners:

CALENDAR OF THE EVENT

August, 26th – Prologue

August, 27th – Middle Distance - World Ranking Event, National Championships

August, 28th – Long Distance - World Ranking Event, National Championships

August, 29th – 7 Legs Mixed Relay.

– Training

August, 30th – Sprint - World Ranking Event, National Championships

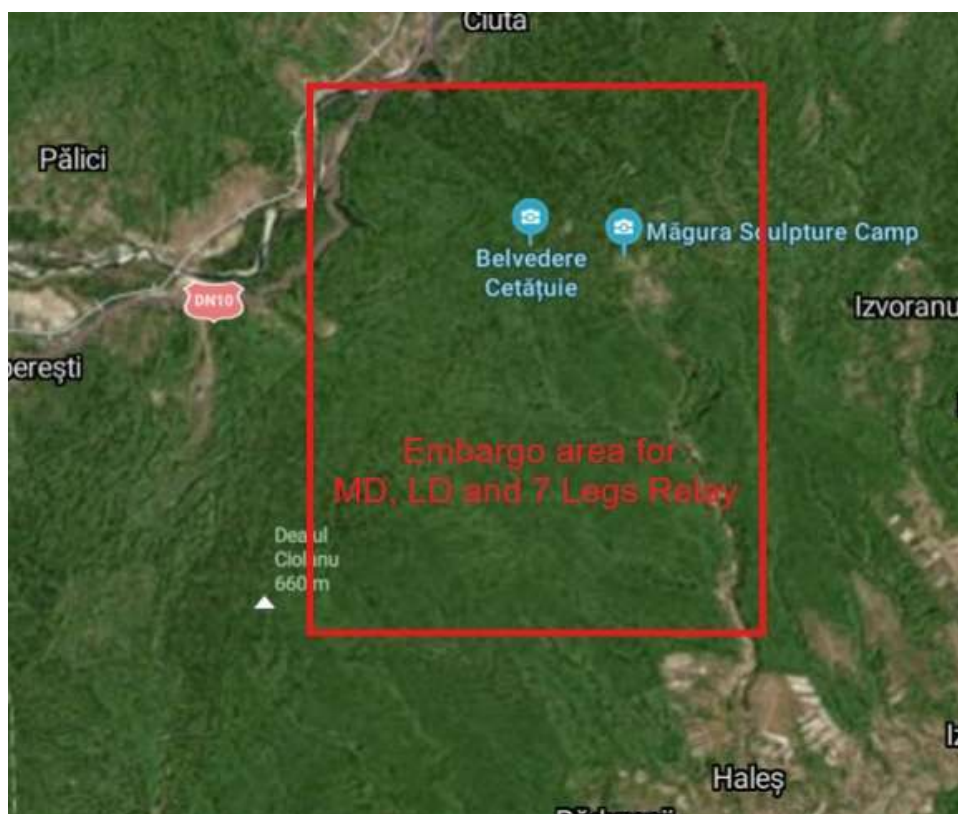
SCHEDULE AND LOCATIONS

Day	Hours	Event	Location
Wednesday August 26 th	14:00– 17:00	Registration of participants Distribution of participation kits and sponsors' gifts for Mentor Silva Cup	Buzău County, Tabara Poiana Pinului GPS 45.221251, 26.551187
	15:00 – 18:00	Prologue, forest race, free start	
Thursday August 27 th	14:00– 19:00	Registration of participants Distribution of participation kits and sponsors' gifts for Mentor Silva Cup	Buzău County, Hales, GPS 45.212607, 26.557962
	16:30	Start in Middle Distance WRE, National Championship & Stage 1 of Mentor Silva Cup	
Friday August 28 th	9:00– 9:30	Registration of participants	Buzău County, Manastirea Ciolanu, GPS 45.236524, 26.545888
	10:00	Start in Long Distance WRE, National Championship & Stage 2 Mentor Silva Cup	
	14:00	Prize Giving Ceremony for MD& LD National Championships	
Saturday, August 29 th	10:00	Start in 7 Legs Mixed Relay	Buzău County, Manastirea Ciolanu, GPS 45.236524, 26.545888
	15:00 -17:30	Model Event forest: Middle Distance and Sprint	
	18:00	Prize Giving Ceremony - 7 Legs Mixed Relay	
Sunday, August 30 th	09:30	The Quarantine closure	Buzău city,
	10:00		

	12:30	Start in Sprint WRE, National Championship & Stage 3 Mentor Silva Cup Prize Giving Ceremony for Sprint National Championship & overall Mentor Silva Cup	Park Alexandru Marghiloman, GPS 45.146907, 26.844025
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TERRAIN, MAPS AND DISTANCES

The cartography of maps was made with Lidar 2025-2026. The areas of Poiana Pinului – Schitul Cetatuia – Magura and Park Alexandru Marghiloman and surrounding urban streets from Buzau are embargo areas, all orienteering activity before the event being forbidden here.



The forest races benefit from beautiful orienteering challenging forest, hilly, with intricate contour details, microelements and stones, various types of vegetation. The areas vary from excellent to quite difficult in runnability, but in general there is good visibility. Due to the rainy summer months of June and July, the young vegetation has a more visible growth than usual.

The *sprint stage* combines the urban running with challenging park navigation at a fast pace.

Wednesday, 26 August, Prologue, GPS 45.221251, 26.551187

Open between: 15:00-18:00, free start. Distance from the Finish&Parking zone to Start is 500 m, with 70m climb.

Maps with all controls with the recommended courses of various lengths and difficulty levels will be available. The runners may choose to run the recommended sequences of controls or make their own course. The relief is representative for the Middle Distance (MD), Long Distance (LD) and Relay events.

Thursday, 27 August, Middle Distance, WRE, GPS 45.212607, 26.557962

Start: 16:30. Distance Finish Arena – Start: 700 m, 80 m climb.

Category	Length (km)	Climb (m)	PC	Scale
M10	2.1	75	9	1:7500
M12	2.1	75	9	1:7500
M14	2.7	95	11	1:7500
M16	3.0	115	16	1:7500
M18	3.6	150	17	1:7500
M20	4.4	190	19	1:7500*
M21	4.4	190	19	1:7500*
M35	4.4	190	19	1:7500*
M40	3.6	150	17	1:7500
M45	3.6	150	17	1:7500
M50	3.0	115	16	1:7500
M55	3.0	115	16	1:7500
M60	2.4	90	13	1:7500
M65	2.4	90	13	1:7500
M70	1.8	60	10	1:7500
M75	1.8	60	10	1:7500
Open	2.1	75	9	1:7500
Open Th.	1.8	60	10	1:7500
W10	2.1	75	9	1:7500

W12	2.1	75	9	1:7500
W14	2.3	85	12	1:7500
W16	2.4	90	13	1:7500
W18	3.0	115	16	1:7500
W20	3.6	150	17	1:7500*
W21	3.6	150	17	1:7500*
W35	3.6	150	17	1:7500*
W40	3.0	115	16	1:7500
W45	3.0	115	16	1:7500
W50	2.4	90	13	1:7500
W55	2.4	90	13	1:7500
W60	1.8	60	10	1:7500
W65	1.8	60	10	1:7500
W70	1.8	60	10	1:7500

*according to 2026 IOF regulations for WRE, the map scale may be 1:7500 subject to IOF Adviser approval

▲ Friday, 28 August, Lond Distance, WRE, GPS 45.236524, 26.545888

Start: 10:00

For the Long Distance event, organizers ensure the transportation of athletes with minibuses from the Parking & Finish area near Ciolanu Monastery, to Schitul Cetățuia (Cetățuia Hermitage), located 500 m from the Start. Boarding on the minibuses will follow the order of the start lists. The bus schedule and boarding lists will be communicated online and posted on the competition information board in due time. Clubs may use their own transportation to drop off their athletes at Schitul Cetățuia Start area(GPS 45.242586, 26.536808) and proceed afterwards down to the Parking & Finish area at Ciolanu Monastery — in which case please inform the organizers at registration. Alternatively, athletes may walk to the Start area along the marked tourist trail from Ciolanu Monastery to Cetățuia Hermitage – on approximately 1.8 km with 150 m of elevation, with an estimated duration of 40 minutes.

Excepting the smaller categories (Open, M/W10, 12, 14 years), all other categories will cross through areas with rocks, microdetails and vegetation, where running may be more difficult.

Long Distance details:

Category	Length(km)	Climb (m)	CP	Scale
M10	2.2	50	8	1:7500
M12	2.2	50	8	1:7500
M14	3.1	90	12	1:7500
M16	4.8	200	14	1:7500
M18	7.5	300	16	1:10000
M20	10.4	395	23	1:10000
M21	10.4	395	23	1:10000
M35	7.5	300	16	1:10000
M40	7.5	300	16	1:10000
M45	6.3	270	16	1:7500
M50	6.3	270	16	1:7500
M55	5.5	180	14	1:7500
M60	4.8	200	14	1:7500
M65	4.0	150	14	1:7500
M70	4.0	150	14	1:7500
M75	2.3	70	10	1:7500
Open	2.2	50	8	1:7500
Open Th.	4.0	150	14	1:7500
W10	2.2	50	8	1:7500
W12	2.2	50	8	1:7500
W14	3.1	80	13	1:7500
W16	4.0	150	14	1:7500
W18	5.5	180	14	1:7500
W20	7.5	300	16	1:10000
W21	7.5	300	16	1:10000
W35	6.3	270	16	1:7500
W40	5.5	180	14	1:7500
W45	4.8	200	14	1:7500

W50	4.0	150	14	1:7500
W55	4.0	150	14	1:7500
W60	2.3	150	14	1:7500
W65	2.3	70	10	1:7500
W70	2.3	70	10	1:7500

Saturday, 29 August., 7 Legs Relay & Training, GPS 45.236524, 26.545888

7 Legs Relay Start is at 10:00.

Relay details:

Leg	Category	Length (km)	Climb (m)	Scale
1	Elite 2	3.5-3.8	110	1 : 7500
2	Kids 1	1.8-1.9	60	1 : 5000
3	Masters 2	2.7-2.9	90	1 : 7500
4	Kids 2	2.3-2.5	80	1 : 7500
5	Juniors	2.9-3.1	100	1 : 7500
6	Masters 1	3.2-3.4	110	1 : 7500
7	Elite 1	4.2-4.5	120	1 : 7500

Training is open between 15.00- 17.30. Available maps are scale 1:5000 or 1:7500, with courses in forest and open land areas.

Sunday, 30 August, Sprint, WRE, GPS 45.146907, 26.844025

Map 2025 – 2026 with urban area, parks and buildings. Parking is possible in limited places in the public parking bordering Park Alexandru Marghiloman.

All runners must arrive in the Quarantine area by 09:30. Distance from Finish Arena to Quarantine and Start: 750m, marked route. The Quarantine area is provided with access to toilets. In the Finish area, there is also access to public toilets next to the parking area.

The traffic is not restricted! The main streets should be crossed on Zebra crossing marked on the map.

Sprint details:

Category	Length (minimum real distance in km)	CP	Map Scale
M10	1.6	12	1:4000
M12	1.9	17	1:4000
M14	1.9	17	1:4000
M16	4.0	25	1:4000
M18	4.0	25	1:4000
M20	4.0	25	1:4000
M21	4.0	25	1:4000
M35	4.0	25	1:4000
M40	3.2	20	1:4000
M45	3.2	20	1:4000
M50	3.0	19	1:4000
M55	3.0	19	1:4000
M60	3.0	19	1:4000
M65	3.0	19	1:4000
M70	1.6	12	1:4000
M75	1.6	12	1:4000
Open	1.6	12	1:4000
Open Th.	3.0	19	1:4000
W10	1.6	12	1:4000
W12	1.6	12	1:4000
W14	1.6	12	1:4000
W16	3.2	20	1:4000
W18	3.2	20	1:4000
W20	3.2	20	1:4000
W21	3.2	20	1:4000

W35	3.2	20	1:4000
W40	3.2	20	1:4000
W45	3.2	20	1:4000
W50	3.0	19	1:4000
W55	3.0	19	1:4000
W60	1.6	12	1:4000
W65	1.6	12	1:4000
W70	1.6	12	1:4000

CLASSES AND RULES

▲ In the **Sprint National Championship**, the runners will be classified according to **Romanian Orienteering Federation rules for categories**. For the overall Mentor Silva Cup standing, their normal category will be taken into consideration.

▲ **Mentor Silva Cup: Middle Distance, Long Distance & Sprint**
 MW10, MW12, MW14, MW16, MW18, MW20, MW21E, MW35, MW40, MW45, MW50, MW55, MW60, MW65, MW70, MW75, MW80, Open, Open Family, Technical Open

▲ **7 Legs Mixed Relay rules:**

Rule no. 1 - Relay teams can be made up of athletes belonging to the same club, as well as to other clubs.

Rule no. 2 - Each relay team must include **at least 3 female** athletes.

Rule no. 3 - Each relay team will line up 7 athletes, who will run in the classes mentioned below:

Relay leg	Category	Equivalent
1	Elite 2	M35/W21
2	Kids 1	M/W 12
3	Masters 2	M/W 55+/W 14 *
4	Kids 2	M/W 16 / M 14 *
5	Juniors	M/W 20
6	Masters 1	M45/W35
7	Elite 1	M21

Rule no. 4 * - Athletes of W14 class are accepted to run the M/W55 leg, being aware of the technical level of the race, specific to this Master class.

Rule no. 5 *

- Athletes of M14 class are accepted to run the M/W16 leg, being aware of the technical level of the race, specific to the 16 years category.
- Athletes of M/W65+ class are accepted to run the M/W55 leg, being aware of the length of the race, specific to the 55 years category.

To glorify their courage, the organizer will award them a 5-minute bonus. This bonus is non-cumulative: a team may receive only 5 -minutes bonus overall!

Rule no. 6. Every relay team must appoint a captain, bearing the following tasks:

- decides the distribution of athletes in his relay
- monitors & follows the **Rules of Relay**
- communicates with the event manager
- nominates & invokes the “Jolly Joker” of his relay

Rule no. 7. “Jolly Joker”

- The order of the relay legs is the one indicated above.
- However, if the captain decides that his/her relay has lost too much time after the first two legs – the team is more than 20 minutes behind the leader at the spectator control – he/she may ask for the “**Jolly Joker**” swap, meaning that the remaining 5 legs may run in whatever order the captain chooses.
- Swapping orders won’t interfere with the courses / classes (i.e. Elite1 will still run their M21 course; Juniors will still run their M/W20 course).
- However, it’s each runner’s responsibility to pick up the correct map

Rule no. 8. Captain’s decision must be communicated to the event manager before the 2nd Leg runner arrives at the spectators’ control.

Rule no. 9*. Mass start of the delayed relays is permitted only after the final ranking of the first 6 relays.

- Mass start is permitted only per one class at once.
 - Classes will be allowed to start every 5 min.
- *subject of event manager’s decision**

Rule no. 10

- The relay is being officially registered only by nominating all the 7 athletes per Leg.
- Reserves may be nominated only if not part of another relay team.

ENTRY FEES AND BONUSES MENTOR SILVA CUP

Race	Classes	Until 1 May 2026	Until 30 June 2026	Until 15 August 2026
Sprint,	M/W 10, 12, 14	4 EUR	6 EUR	8 EUR
Middle Distance	M/W16,18, 65, 70, 75,80	7 EUR	10 EUR	12 EUR
Long Distance	M/W 20, 21, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, Open, Open Family, Technical Open	10 EUR	13 EUR	15 EUR
Prologue & Model event	All classes	4 EUR/map	5 EUR/map	6 EUR/map
7 Legs Relay	The fee is for the entire 7 athletes relay team.	300 EUR	350 EUR	380 EUR
		*The relay consisting of 7 members from the same club finishing the race, will receive a bonus of 300 EUR at the end of the race.		
		*The relay team which includes 4 female athletes finishing the race, will receive a bonus of 150 EUR at the end of the race.		
		*The relay team which will line up a Master athlete running the Elite1 (M21) class, will receive a bonus of 150 EUR at the end of the race.		
		*Only one cash bonus will be awarded per relay! (in view of the scenarios above)		

- Participants running only in the National Championships, and not in Mentor Silva Cup, will abide to the rules for taxes of the Romanian Orienteering Federation.
- Registration is to be made through orienteeringonline.net. If needed, entries can be submitted via our e-mail: mentor_silva@yahoo.co.uk.
- **Elite classes – M/W21** should make an additional entry through the IOF Eventor Page for Middle Distance WRE, Long Distance WRE and Sprint WRE races
- The date of the payment is the date of the entry. Entry is **not valid** until the entry fee is received in the organizer's account. Open categories

- All fees have to be paid either in EURO, or in Romanian currency (RON), in advance, to bank account, until the deadline for entries.
- **No entries** will be accepted for **Relay** after the last deadline. For Middle Distance, Long Distance, Sprint, Prologue and Model Event later entries may be accepted if vacant positions in the start list/maps are available.
- Invoice shall be sent by email after the payment has been registered.

Banking details

Asociatia Club Sportiv Mentor Silva

Adress: Calea Mosilor 310, Bl.58BIS, Ap. 32, Sector 2, Bucharest

- For **EUR** payments:
IBAN: RO85 BTRL EURC RTOP 8968 1701
- For **RON** payments:
IBAN: RO03 BTRL RONC RTOP 8968 1701

CEREMONIES AND AWARDS

Prize Giving Ceremonies will award:

❖ 7 Legs Mixed Relay

1st place – **3300 Eur** + entry fee paid for the future edition of Mentor Silva Cup for Kids 1, Kids 2 and Juniors.

2nd place – **1950 Eur** + entry fee paid for the future edition of Mentor Silva Cup for Kids 1 and Kids 2.

3rd place – **1350 Eur** entry fee paid for the future edition of Mentor Silva Cup for Kids 1.

❖ Mentor Silva Cup

For participants in Mentor Silva Cup, the results from Middle Distance, Long Distance and Sprint will be cumulated. The first three places for all categories will receive medals and prizes. The first 6 places of W/M21 WRE will be awarded separately.

❖ National Championships

For participants in the National Championships, the results from each stage will be awarded by the Romanian Orienteering Federation, according to the regulations.

Important !

All athletes participate in the competition at their own risk.

By registering, each participant declares that they are medically fit for physical effort and that they acknowledge the inherent risks of practicing orienteering in natural terrains. The organizers and the Romanian Orienteering Federation are not liable for injuries, damages, or incidents occurring before, during, or after the competition. For minors, the responsibility rests with the legal guardian or the club they belong to. Appropriate equipment for the terrain is recommended, as well as compliance with the organizers' instructions and fair-play rules.

By taking part in the event, participants agree that photos, videos, and results from the competition may be published by the organizers and the Romanian Orienteering Federation (on websites, social media, and results platforms), in accordance with GDPR regulations. Participants who do not wish that their name and/or image appear in these materials are kindly asked to inform the organizers at registration.

More to see at the venue and in the surroundings of the event, in Buzau County:
Muddy Volcanoes, Living Fires from Lopatari, Siriu Mountains and Lake, Amber
Village Colti, Wine Road, Orthodox Churches and Monasteries etc.



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