



IOF World Ranking Event for M21E/W21E WRE Middle Distance 24 February 2017

in conjunction with

2017 Israel Open Championships 24-25 February 2017

BULLETIN 1

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Event Info



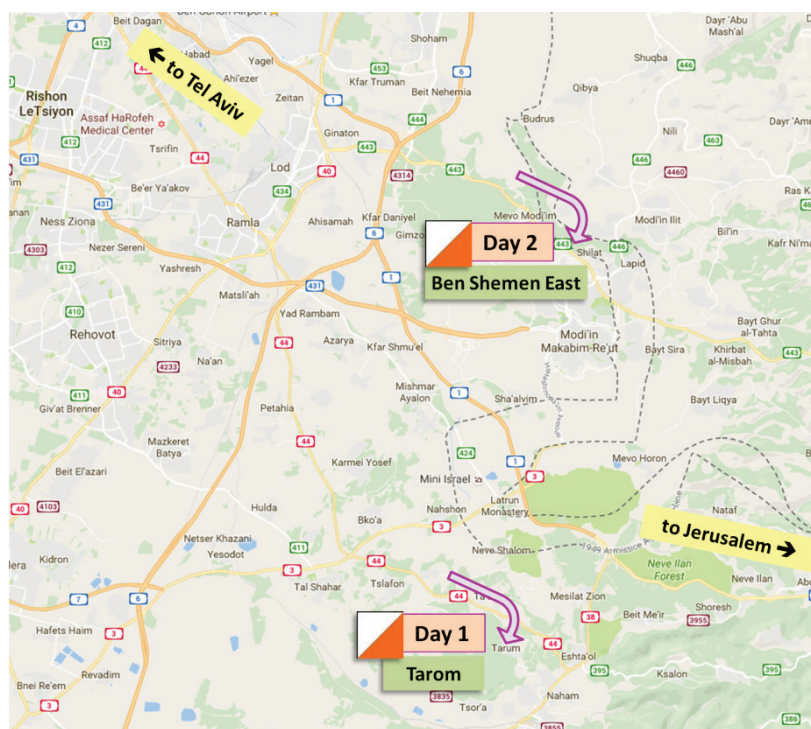
Event web page: <http://israelorienteering.org/israel-open-championship-2017>

[Israel Orienteering on Facebook](#) for the latest news, updates, photos and links.



The 2017 Israel Open Championships will be held in central Israel. Both venues are located 30-50 km from either Jerusalem and Tel Aviv.

Venues



The WRE event will be held in conjunction with the 2017 Israel Open Championships. The course for the Elite classes will be the same for both the WRE and the Open event. The overall standing in the Israel Open Championships will be determined by the two-day total.

Program

Friday, 24 February – Israel Open – WRE Middle – Tarom

9:00 – First start

12:00 – Award ceremony for WRE Middle Distance

Saturday, 25 February – Israel Open – Ben Shemen

9:00 – First start

12:30 – Award ceremony for Israel Open Championships – All Categories



Registration

WRE: Entries for WRE competitions **must be** made through **IOF EVENTOR**. Competitors who are not listed in Eventor will not be allowed to start in class 21E.

WRE and Non-WRE: All competitors from abroad in all classes must register by completing and submitting the **IOC Registration form**.

Payment

For WRE and non-WRE, the entry fee per event is 50 NIS (~12 Euro), and includes SPORTident card rental. Once you have registered, payment can be made in the following ways:

- **Prior to events** – Payment by credit card, by contacting the IOA office.
- **At venue** – Payment in cash, in Israeli shekels (NIS), at cashier desk.

Deadlines

The deadline for WRE entries is 13 February 2017.

The deadline for IOC entries is 22 February 2016.

Start lists will be announced on 23 February 2016.

Punching System

SPORTident electronic punching system will be used. Competitors who have SI cards can use their own cards. SI cards can also be rented from the organizers.

WRE Classes and Courses Wining Times

Class	Middle WRE (IOC Day 1)
M21E	35 minutes
W21E	35 minutes

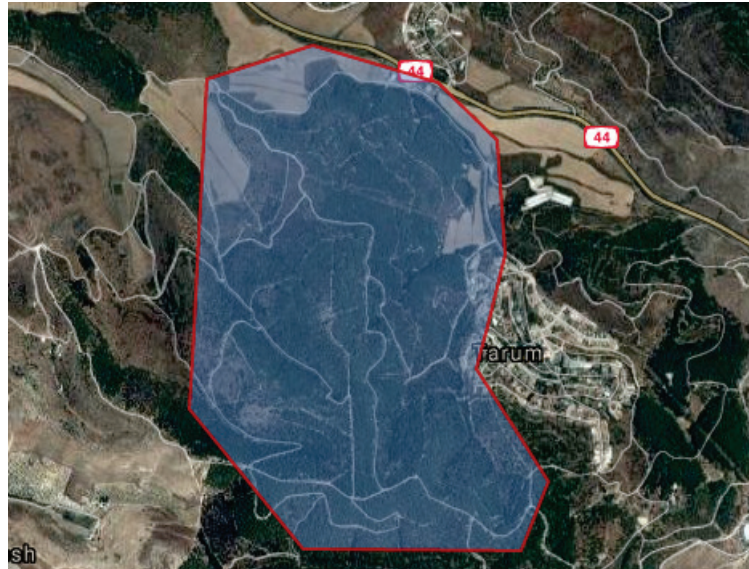
IOC Championships Classes and Courses

Courses	Long	Medium +	Medium A	Medium B	Medium C	Short +	Gold	Short	Shorty
Men	H21A H35A	H18A H21B H40	H45 H50A	H16A H18B H21C	H35B H55	H50B H60 H65 H70	H75 H80 H85	H14 H16B	H12
Women		D21A		D16A	D21B D35	D21C D40 D45 D50 D55 D60	D65 D70 D75	D14 D16B	D12



Entry to the embargoed areas is prohibited for potential team members, leaders and others, who through the knowledge of the terrain could influence results of the WRE and/or Israel Open competition.

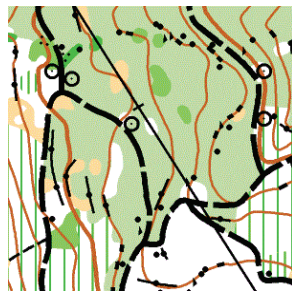
Embargoed Area - Tarom - WRE



Embargoed Area – Ben Shemen



Maps and Terrain

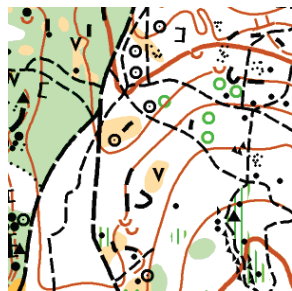


Map: Tarom (2016) WRE

Scale: 1:10000, 5m contours.

Map maker: Petr Matula

Mixed natural and planted pine/fir forests with a large network of paths and trails. Some steep hills. Some areas of heavy undergrowth and some areas with numerous rock features.



Map: Ben Shemen (2015)

Scale: 1:10,000, 5m contours.

Map maker: Petr Matula

Mixed natural and planted pine/fir forests with a large network of paths and trails. Some semi-open areas with low vegetation. Moderately hilly. Scattered rock features and some man-made ruins.

Training Opportunities	There are many opportunities for training throughout Israel. The following maps are all close to this year's Israel Open venue, and can be used for training: Beit Gamal Tel Azeka (South) Canada Park Nachshonim Taoz Neve Shalom Kivrey Hamaccabim Burma Road Tel Hadid The complete database of Israel Orienteering maps is at: http://www.nivut.org.il/English/Maps.aspx To arrange training in Israel, contact Israel Orienteering: office@nivut.org.il
Transportation	Israel's main airport is Ben Gurion International Airport (TLV), midway between the major cities of Tel Aviv and Jerusalem. Travel time from the airport to either city is about half an hour. No official transport will be offered. International competitors are advised to hire a car from a recognized car rental company.
Accommodations	We recommend accommodations in either Tel Aviv or Jerusalem, to enjoy the added benefit of tourist sites and services. The competition venues are easily accessible from either city. Israel Youth Hostel Association – Network of guesthouses and youth hostels throughout Israel. Field Schools – The Society for the Protection of Nature in Israel (SPNI) offers hostel accommodations throughout Israel. Israel Hostels (ILH) – Independent Travelers' Accommodation
Weather	Israel enjoys long, warm, dry summers (April-October) and mostly mild winters (November-March). You will need warm clothing for the evenings and rainy days. In general, you can expect to enjoy sunshine and comfortable temperatures during the championships.
Clothing	There are no clothing regulations for orienteering, and competitors may wear the clothing of their choice. The organizers recommend that competitors wear long trousers/leg protection.
Health Services	The organizer will coordinate healthcare services for participants. The Event Organizer will provide first-aid at the event center and at each competition site. Emergency care and major hospitals are within a 20-30 minute drive from each of the competition sites. The Event Organizer will not bear responsibility related to medical costs for participants. Participants are responsible for their own insurance.
Safety and Security	Israel is a modern, western society, whose infrastructure and social services are among the most advanced in the western world. Israel is a young and dynamic nation in which everyday life is as normal as in any other European country. Israel is one of the safest countries for tourists. The state authorities and security forces are at work constantly to ensure Israel is safe for visitors and citizens alike. Public buildings, shopping malls and crowded events are protected by private guards and local police. Crime against tourists is extremely rare. Israel has excellent health and medical services. In general, tap water is fine for drinking, and no special vaccinations are required prior to entering the country.
Visas	Visitors to Israel must hold a passport that is valid for at least six months from the date of entry to Israel. Passport holders from most countries do not require a visa for Israel for a maximum stay of 3 months for tourism.

