



The 8th Türi-Tori Downriver Race

INSTRUCTIONS

- The 8th Türi-Tori Downriver Race is organised by the non-profit organisation, MTÜ Matkahunt, together with the Pärnumaa League for Scouts and Guides
- **Participants may choose between the two courses of different length:**
- **START of the 78 km long route of the TÜRİ-TORI Downriver Race** is located near the Veskisilla Hotel at Türi-Alliku village by the Türi-Paide road in Türi rural municipality (58.820131, 25.445305)
- Start of the 78 km route will be opened:
 - * for RAFTS at 7.00
 - * ALL OTHER CLASSES at 8.00
- **Starting point of the 47 km long KURGJA-TORI route** is at Kurgja (Vändra municipality) near the road bridge on the right bank of the river, not far from the C. R. Jakobson Farm Museum (58.665082, 25.256335)
- START of the 47 km long route will take place on April 15 at 10.00
- Finishing point of both routes is at the village of Tori on the left bank of Pärnu River by Tori School (58.477639, 24.797419)
- The difference in elevation between the starting and finishing point of the longer course is 50 meters
- **For more detailed description of the routes see Google Maps [here](#).**
- **Time limit** is 15 hours for the Türi-Tori route and 12 hours for Kurgja-Tori route
- The race is open for all floating vessels moving by muscle power for which buoyancy is guaranteed upon capsizing and which are designed for speed necessary for passing the course.

CLASSES

K1MEN	MEN	any type of kayak
K1WOM	WOMEN	any type of kayak
K2MEN	MEN'S DOUBLE	any type of double kayak
K2WOM	WOMEN'S DOUBLE	any type of double kayak
K2MIX	MIXED DOUBLE	any type of double kayak
CMEN	MEN	any type of double canoe
CWOM	WOMEN	any type of double canoe
CMIX	MIXED DOUBLE	any type of double canoe
RAFT		any type of raft
SUP		any type of stand up paddle board
WTB		any type of water bicycles

All other vessels, including canoes and kayaks the teams of which are smaller or larger than foreseen by the organisers, will be competing outside the official classes and will not be awarded prizes for their standing.

REGISTRATION

- The Downriver Race is open for all participants of at least 18 years of age fit enough to undertake the chosen route. **Those under 18 are allowed to participate only when in the same vessel with an adult assuming responsibility**
- Registration is open under "Registration"
- Registration is valid only upon paying the entering fee

ENTERING FEES:

- **In January**
78 km Türi-Tori route – 35 euros per person
47 km Kurgja-Tori route – 30 euros per person
- **In February**
78 km Türi-Tori route – 45 euros per person
47 km Kurgja-Tori route – 40 euros per person
- **In March**
78 km Türi-Tori route – 55 euros per person
47 km Kurgja-Tori route – 50 euros per person

Entering fees for teams depend on the number of people in the vessel

In 2017, the winners of the 78 km route of the 2016 marathon will participate FREE OF CHARGE. This offer is personal and does not apply to team-mates.

- **Catering fees for the members of support teams**
78 km Türi-Tori route – **8 euros** (at the Kurgja catering stop and finishing point)
47 km Kurgja-Tori route – **6 euros** (at the finishing point)

Fees for the members of support teams are calculated according to the number of supporters declared upon registration

- **If you need transport from the finishing point back to the starting point, please indicate the number of persons upon registration and we will get you and your boat to Veskisilla.** Transfer costs 12 euros per person and shall be paid together with the entering fee.
- In case you decide to withdraw from the race, your entry fee will not be refunded
- If the race will be cancelled due to circumstances beyond the control of the organizers, the entry fee will not be refunded

PAYMENT

International payments:

Beneficiary's name: **MTÜ MATKAHUNT**

Beneficiary's address: **87611 Kure talu, Vändra vald, Pärnumaa, Estonia**

Beneficiary's IBAN: **EE07 2200 2210 4910 1228**

Bank name and address: **AS Swedbank, Liivalaia 8, 15040 Tallinn, Estonia**

SWIFT code/BIC: **HABAE2X**

Details: **Invoice number and names of the competitors**

- Bank's transfer fee shall be paid by the competitor

ARRIVAL AT STARTING POINTS AND REGISTRATION

Upon arrival, please contact the registration desk to receive the necessary paperwork

- **Registration is open**
- on FRIDAY, April 14 at Veskisilla from 19.00 to 23.00.
- on SATURDAY, April 15 at Veskisilla from 6.00 to 7.30 and at Kurgja from 8.30 to 9.45.

It is advisable to bring vessels at the starting point upon arrival

ACCOMMODATION

For those living far from the starting point it is advisable to arrive the night before.

- **Cheapest accommodation** is offered on the floor of the Türi Town Gym (Kalevi Street 9, see map [here](#)) if you bring your own roll mats and sleeping bags (3 euros per person). More information: phone +372 5041987 or e-mail tyri.skl@neti.ee
- **Camping on the Veskisilla Hotel territory** and by the Türi Artificial Lake is free of charge. Book accommodation at Veskisilla Hotel at <http://www.veskisilla.ee/en/>
- or find suitable accommodation at the town of Türi <http://www.turism.tyri.ee/index.php?page=108&>

- **Cheapest accommodation at the finishing point** is offered on the floor of the Tori School if you bring your own roll mats and sleeping bags (5 euros per person, payable on the spot). Other accommodation at Tori <http://www.torivald.ee/majutus>
- Camping at Kurgja in the territory of the C. R. Jakobson Farm Museum must be agreed with the museum <http://www.kurgja.ee/en/>

The organisers do not provide nor mediate accommodation

START

- **Before coming to the start teams must sign the Safety Information Sheet and return it to the Secretariat**
- Individual interval start will be applied for both routes
- Start will take place by boat classes in the following order: RAFT, Cwom, Cmix, Cmen, SUP, WTB, K1wom, K1men, K2wom, K2mix, K2men
- Each team will be appointed a specific starting time
- Starting times will be made available in the starting protocol at least three days before the event
- Teams late for the start of their boat class will get the same starting time as the last team of their boat class that came to start on time
- START of the 78 km route at Veskisilla will be closed at 9.30
- START of the 47 km route at Kurgja will be closed at 10.30

PLEASE BE SURE TO COME TO THE START EARLY as preparations tend to take time

- Each team will be given a number and an Information Sheet with the route legend. Organisers guarantee time-taking at certain checkpoints and at the finish-line as well as the final standing in the official protocol and a diploma with names
- Participants and registered members of support teams at Türi-Tori route will be provided a meal at one of the checkpoints as well as at the finishing point. Participants and registered members of support teams at Kurgja-Tori route will be provided a meal at the finishing point
- Please make sure you have a support vehicle standing by with necessary supplies (food, beverages, dry clothes, medicines, etc.) at checkpoints (KPs) and/or at road bridges (at Laupa, Jändja, Rae, Kurgja, Suurejõe, Vihtra, Jõesuu, Tori)
- All support vehicle drivers will be given Information Sheets. It is also advisable to have an Estonian road map
- After closing the start at Veskisilla the Secretariat will move to the finishing point at Tori School.
- The organisers are not liable for the cars, equipment, etc. left at Veskisilla or Kurgja.

ROUTES

The Türi-Tori route has 5 checkpoints (KPs), with catering service in one of them (KPT). The Kurgja-Tori route has 2 checkpoints (KPs). All participants are provided food and sauna at Tori School.

CHECKPOINTS	TÜRI-TORI, 78 km	KURGJA-TORI, 47 km		
START	DISTANCE FROM START	DISTANCE FROM START	LENGTH OF THE LEG	KP will be CLOSED at
JÄNDJA KP	14 km		14 km	11:30
KURGJA KPT (Türi-Tori)	31 km	START	17 km	14:30
SUUREJÕE KP	44 km	13 km	13 km	17:00
KURE KP	59 km	28 km	15 km	19:30
JÕESUU KP	67 km	36 km	8 km	21:00
FINISH AT RANDIVÄLJA	78 km	47 km	11 km	midnight

- There are certain time limits for reaching the checkpoints (see table above)
- Teams exceeding these time limits will be called off the course
- The organisers reserve the right to shorten the routes or stop the race due to unforeseen conditions threatening the safety of participants
- At catering points participants are offered soup, bread, salt, hot tea and water

- It is advisable to take some food and drink with you in the boat. Nuts, raisins and energy bars are especially nutritious.

FINISH

- Finish is located at Tori, 1.5 km downstream the Tori bridge on the left bank of the river by the Tori School
- After dark the finishing point will be illuminated
- The Secretariat as well as facilities for changing clothes, catering and sauna are located at Tori School, approx. 100 m from the finishing point along a marked road.
- The finishing area is closed for vehicles
- At Tori School, participants are offered a hot meal with tea and water
- There is also a bar selling hot and cold drinks and snacks
- The first teams are estimated to finish around 14.30. Last teams of the Türi-Tori route are expected to arrive around midnight

QUITTING

- **In case you wish to quit the race you MUST inform the organisers by calling on the number given to you for that purpose.**
- **NOTE! The organisers are not responsible for transporting neither people nor boats from the quitting point to the finish.**
- **Please make sure your support teams are standing by.**

TIME-TAKING

- Your personal time will be recorded at the starting point, checkpoints and finish
- Teams must have their numbers given at starting point visible at all times
- Due to the individual interval start final results will be available after a certain period of time

RULES

- It is compulsory to wear a life-jacket. Competitors without the life-jacket will be disqualified
- Buoyancy of vessels must be guaranteed also in case of capsizing or breakage
- It is advisable to wear a helmet
- At Jändja and Kurgja, it is advisable to carry vessels past the dams Follow the direction signs
- At Jändja and Kurgja, it is allowed to pass through the dams Recommended passages will be marked with green arrows
- Teams needing the help of the rescue team will be disqualified from the official time-taking race
- Be especially cautious when passing old mill dams and rapids (strong current, rocks) as well as at night
- Headlamps – at least one per boat – are compulsory at night
- Teams must have their numbers visible at all times both from the front as well as from the back
- Drivers must follow traffic rules and pay attention to safety at checkpoints
- Canoers are allowed to use paddles with only one blade.

COMPULSORY EQUIPMENT IN THE BOAT

- Waterproofed cell phone with the organizers' phone number.
NOTE! Fasten the cell phone to your person – only then you will be able to call for help at all times
- Headlamps (at least one per boat)
- Pocket knives (at least one per boat)
- Rope approx. 5 meters long

EQUIPMENT RECOMMENDED IN THE BOAT

- Waterproofed set of dry clothes
- Thermal film
- Items necessary for lighting a fire
- Some food and drink
- Small first-aid kit (bandages, pain killers etc.)

COMPETITORS' LIABILITY

- Competitors are taking part of the race under their own responsibility
- The organizers are not responsible for possible health problems, injuries, traumas, loss of life or any other incident
- Competitors with health problems must have appropriate medication at hand
- Competitors must be aware of the possible risks at the course and sign the Safety Information Sheet given to them upon registration
- Competitors are personally responsible for the safety of their equipment
- The local ambulance and rescue service are informed of the event
- If someone needs help from the organisers, note the time and place of the incident and the number of the team and inform the organizers at the next checkpoint
- In case of a serious accident, call the emergency number 112 and inform the organisers (for more information, see the Information Sheet)

AWARDS

- All competitors shall be awarded a diploma
 - Winners of each boat class will be awarded a cup or a medal
- The following prizes will be raffled out between all the participants:
- a fast touring kayak Maryak Rev530 kevlar & carbon aramid from one of the leading canoe manufacturer in Estonia, Primetek OÜ;
 - a meat/fish smoker from the manufacturer of metal products, Skamet OÜ;
 - an Eastpole Greenland Paddle from the retail seller of paddling equipment, EastPole OÜ will be raffled out between K1 class kayakers
- Smaller prizes will also be raffled out between participants
 - Prizes will be raffled out three hours after the first team has finished

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