

Invitation to O-Ringen Academy 2015

International orienteering development

The organisers of O-Ringen, in cooperation with the International Orienteering Federation, are pleased to invite you to participate in the annual O-Ringen Academy, which will be held in connection with the O-Ringen competition in Borås, Sweden.

Goals and participation

Academy provides a unique opportunity for orienteering federations and interested individuals to work on developing the sport in their home countries. The idea behind Academy is, through the transfer of knowledge and experience, to develop individual competency to be able to promote, organise and teach orienteering and at the same time participate in the world's greatest orienteering event, O-Ringen.

O-Ringen Academy is primarily intended for participants from new and developing orienteering countries, where there is a need to quickly learn the skills and routines required to organise orienteering events.

However, we also welcome participants from established orienteering nations who want to increase their base of knowledge.

Program and Practical arrangements

O-Ringen Academy 2015 will start on Wednesday July 15th and ends Saturday July 25th.

Preliminary program: (A detailed program will be sent out when all entries are received)

July 15	Arrival, move into accommodations
July 16 – 18	Lectures and orienteering training
July 19 – 24	Participation in the O-Ringen competition, evening lectures
July 25	Departure

O-Ringen Academy

In order to develop the Academy even further we are now offering education on different levels, Beginner and Advanced. This gives you the opportunity to come back to Academy and learn something new each time.

Level 1 – Beginner

What is required in order to start up orienteering in your country?

The focus here is on the three base areas (all participants undergo the same programme):

- 1) Map drawing
- 2) Organisation – training and simple competitions
- 3) Beginners orienteering – coaching beginners

Level 2 – Advanced

What is required in order to further develop orienteering in your country, in specific areas?

The focus here is on the three base areas (all participants undergo the same programme):

- 1) Map drawing – deeper knowledge
- 2) Advanced orienteering – coaching juniors and seniors

Entry fee

The entry fee for O-Ringen Academy is 800 EUR for the Beginner level and 800 EUR for the Advanced level. 10% (80 EUR) should be paid within 30 days after the date of your entry. This registration fee is part of the entry fee and will not be refunded if the attendee doesn't show up. Cancellations must be done prior to May 1st to get the 10% registration fee refunded.

The entry fee includes:

- Accommodation (July 15-25) at a camp with good hostel standard.
- Food
- All local transportation (including bus transport to the O-Ringen 5-days competition stages)
- Entry to the O-Ringen 5-days competition
- Training and lectures
- Tourist and social activities arranged by the O-Ringen organisers

>> **Note:** Travel to/from O-Ringen is not included

O-Ringen Development Fund

We are aware that for some developing orienteering countries, participation in O-Ringen Academy may be a financial burden. To support these participants an application can be made for financial support from the O-Ringen Development Fund. The fund may be used to wholly or partially offset the cost of entry fees. If you intend on applying for support from the Fund this must be done prior to April 1st, 2015.

Funding decisions are made jointly by the O-Ringen organisers and the IOF and will be announced after the April 1st deadline. We will try to help as many as possible, but maximal three individuals from the same country. The 10% registration fee is always paid by the attendee and can not be supported by the O-Ringen Development Fund.

Entry

From January 1st, we are accepting entries to O-Ringen Academy. If you are interested in participating, enter via the O-Ringen website, www.oringen.se/academy

The last date for entries is May 1st, 2015.

NOTE! If you intend on applying for support from the O-Ringen International Development Fund the entry must be done prior to April 1st, 2015.

Payment to O-Ringen 2015

IBAN number: SE35 6000 0000 0007 5097 6918

BIC/SWIFT: HANDSESS

Bank address: Handelsbanken, Box 45, SE-751 03 Uppsala, Sweden

Please note that the number of participants is limited and priority will be given to those individuals most closely involved in the development of the sport. The information from the entries will help us select those attending and tailor the program to the needs of the participants. We also recommend that the participant should be 18 years and older.

Travel to O-Ringen at Borås 2015:

The best choice is to take a flight to Gothenburg (Göteborg-Landvetter Airport) and there you will be picked up by the organiser and driven to Borås. Another option is flying to Arlanda-Stockholm, train via Stockholm to Borås.

Questions? Please feel free to contact one of the below

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