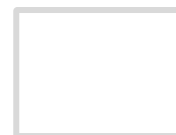


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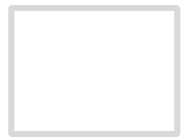
Event schedule

Event schedule (LOC times)

20.03.2025	Event	Location	Races
15:30	Training	15:30-17:00 1,5km Sprint Karpalo	21 Mar - SPWQ Women's SP 21 Mar - SPWQ Men's SP 21 Mar - WC Women's SP 21 Mar - WC Men's SP
17:00	Team Captains' Meeting	Ski museum auditorium	21 Mar - SPWQ Women's SP 21 Mar - SPWQ Men's SP 21 Mar - WC Women's SP 21 Mar - WC Men's SP
21.03.2025	Event	Location	Races
16:00	Competition start	1,5km Sprint Karpalo	21 Mar - SPWQ Women's SP 21 Mar - SPWQ Men's SP
18:30	Competition start	1,5km Sprint Karpalo	21 Mar - WC Women's SP 21 Mar - WC Men's SP
20:25	Prize Giving Ceremony	The Sprint Globe ceremony at the stadium (approx starting time)	
21:30	Team Captains' Meeting	Online	22 Mar - TSPQ Women's TSPQ 22 Mar - TSPQ Men's TSPQ 22 Mar - WC Women's Tsp 22 Mar - WC Men's Tsp

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22.03.2025	Event	Location	Races
11:40	Competition start	1,5km Sprint Karpalo	22 Mar - TSPQ Women's TSPQ 22 Mar - TSPQ Men's TSPQ
13:40	Competition start	1,5km Sprint Karpalo	22 Mar - WC Women's Tsp 22 Mar - WC Men's Tsp
17:00	Team Captains' Meeting	Ski museum auditorium	23 Mar - WC Women's 50k 23 Mar - WC Men's 50k

23.03.2025	Event	Location	Races
09:30	Competition start	7,15km course	23 Mar - WC Women's 50k
13:00	Prize Giving Ceremony	Women's World Cup Overall Awards in the Fan Zone	
13:45	Competition start	7,15km course	23 Mar - WC Men's 50k
17:00	Prize Giving Ceremony	Men's World Cup Overall Awards in the Fan Zone	

1. Entries

The FIS Online Registration System must be used to register the participating teams.

Preliminary entry counts as wax cabin booking. Extra wax cabins must be ordered using the entry system.

Preliminary entries: 24.01.2025

Entries: 13.03.2025

2. Accommodation

Cross-Country teams are accommodated at the Vierumäki Sport Institute of Finland and Holiday Club Vierumäki Resort.

Teams and SRS companies must use the FIS online booking system by requesting the number of rooms, SGL / DBL with full board, and arrival and departure dates. NSA who are not using the online system and do not respect the deadlines are losing their rights to World Cup prices and/or conditions.

The OC will cover accommodation costs according to the reimbursement lists in the rules.

Over-quota payments

- Teams will be directly responsible for over-quota accommodation costs to the OC.
- Over-quota accommodation will be invoiced. It can be paid on-site with a credit card at the accommodation office or via bank transfer.
- Travel Money will be reduced from the accommodation invoice.
- Please provide your invoice address to anne-mari.sipponen@lahtiregion.fi before the pre-entry deadline.

Cancellation rules and fees

- A cancellation fee of 100% will be charged for cancellations made between 8 days before the first race until the end of the events (departure date chosen by the team).
- For earlier cancellations exceeding the allowed limit stated in the rules, the LOC will charge a 100% cancellation fee. Please refer to Article 4.2.4 of the Cross-Country World Cup rules for detailed information about the deadlines.

Preliminary entry counts as a booking. Teams/SRS are responsible for cancelling rooms using the FIS competition online entry system if

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not needed.

The accommodation office is at the Cross-Country service area building.

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Opening times: Thu 20.3. – Sat 22.3. 10-18

3. Catering

Lunch reservations for the hotel or venue must be made via FIS online entry by the entry deadline of 13 March 2025.

OC will serve warm food in the service area from Thursday to Sunday. Your accommodation confirmation email will contain information about lunches outside the venue on other days.

Lunch tickets

You need a lunch ticket to receive food at the Vierumäki hotels and venue. Without a ticket, you will not be served.

- Team leaders: When you check in, please collect lunch tickets for the whole team from the hotel reception in Vierumäki, along with your room keys.
- SRS booked accommodation through LOC will receive lunch tickets from the race office in the service area.
- Teams and SRS that do not book accommodation through OC and make their own arrangements must pay for team lunches at the venue. The lunch prize is 10 EUR per person/day, booking via the FIS online entry system. Payments to the Cross-Country race office by credit card.

Lunch/meal at the Cross-Country service area: opening times TBC

Team café' (Team Area) provides beverages and snacks during opening hours.

4. Accreditation

The FIS Season accreditation, including parking stickers, will be accepted at Lahti Ski Games.

The accreditation office is in the Lahti Hall next to the venue. Address: Salpausselänkatu 7, FI-15110 Lahti. The location and driving route have been marked on the venue map.

The accreditation office +358 44 767 2130

Opening times:

Tue 18.3. 12-19

Wed 19.3. 9-19

Thu 20.3. 9-19

Fri 21.3. 8-18

Sat 22.3. 8-17

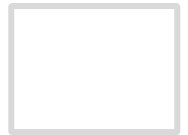
Sun 23.3. 8-13

5. Transport

Airport or ferry terminal transportation

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The official airport is Helsinki Airport (94 km from Lahti). OC can also organize transportation from the Helsinki ferry terminal.

- Teams must send the precise arrival times, flight or ferry numbers, and the total number of arriving people, including the amount of luggage, to the organiser **at the latest eight (8) days before arrival via the FIS Online Entry system**. The cost for outside quota and extra transportation is 50€ per person. **Transportation payments to the Cross-Country race office by credit card before departure.**
- Teams booking accommodation independently are responsible for their own transportation. They may request paid transportation from the OC at transportation@lahtiskigames.com at least eight days before arrival. (Transportation for teams booking OC accommodation is provided as a priority.)

The departure of booked airport transports

The bus station is in front of the airport terminal at the same level as arrivals. Follow the signs marked "charter" after exiting the gate.

Team Hosts at the airport: +358 44 767 2136

The transportation office at the venue is located on the top floor of the Grandstand building. (Room 569)

Transportation office: transportation@lahtiskigames.com, +358 44 767 2132 (also on WhatsApp)

Opening times:

Tue 18.3. 10-17

Wed 19.3. 10-18

Thu 20.3. 8-20

Fri 21.3. 8-21

Sat 22.3. 8-20

Sun 23.3. 8-20

Shuttle

The OC provides a scheduled shuttle between the official hotels and the stadium. Time schedules will be uploaded to the event website closer to the event and can be found at the hotel reception and service area during the event. Teams booking accommodation independently are responsible for arranging their own transportation.

- **New shuttle order system for the 2025 World Cup.** To ensure enough buses for rush hours, teams must confirm their shuttle requirements for the next day: the number of passengers and their departure times within the established transportation schedule for the OC by the prior evening set deadline.

- Detailed instructions for booking a shuttle online will be provided to the team leaders whose contact details are entered into the FIS entry system for on-venue contact.

For individual requests for shuttle service, please email transportation@lahtiskigames.com

The shuttle service office is in the Cross-Country service area building. Phone: +358 44 7672154

6. Reimbursement

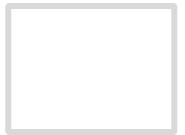
Carrying costs/Reimbursement: Expenses sheets will be received in the financial office during the competition weekend or by email: finance@hiihtoliitto.fi. Payments will be made by bank transfer.

Travel Money will be reduced from the accommodation invoice.

The financial office is at the Cross-Country service area building.

Laura Hämäläinen +358 40 683 6630 finance@hiihtoliitto.fi.

Opening times: Thu 20.3. – Sat 22.3. 10-18, Sun 23.3. 10 - 14



Reimbursement for FIS Officials

Send expense sheets to finance@hiihtoliitto.fi. Payment will be made via bank transfer.

7. Prize Money and Prize Giving ceremonies

Contact finance@hiihtoliitto.fi for prize money questions.

The prize money payment is according to the Word Cup Rules. OC will use a protected FIS database for prize money payment information. Please ensure that all your athletes' data is uploaded to the system before the competition weekend (including Tax codes).

Finnish law does not allow any prize money transfer without indicating the TINs (Tax identification number).

To find your Personal TIN, please follow the instructions provided on this website: <https://www.oecd.org/tax/automatic-exchange/crs-implementation-and-assistance/tax-identification-numbers/>.

The income tax is 15% for European and non-European citizens. For US citizens whose fees and expense reimbursements do not exceed \$20,000 per year in Finland, the tax rate is 0%.

If athletes request it, the OC will provide a receipt of taxes paid along with the prize money.

8. Team Services

Waxing facilities, Team Areas & offices

The Cross-Country service area is on the way to the ski jumping hills. The field provides waxing facilities for the athletes, while the building below the skiing track houses the Athletes' Rooms and Team Area, which offers food and snacks during its opening hours. Waxing facilities are available in the field.

The Cross-Country service area building houses various offices, including the race and team info office, accommodation, financial, and team host offices.

Address: Suurmäenkatu 4, FI-15900 Lahti.

Wax cabins:

The keys to the cabins from the race office, which is in the Cross-Country service area building.

- You will need to deposit 100€ to get the keys. Please note that the keys must be returned no later than the day of departure or, at the latest, the day after the last competition.

Pay for extra wax cabins, SRS (Cat 2 & 3) cabins, or power supplies by credit card during key pickup.

Please ensure that all garbage is emptied into recycling bins and that the wax cabins are clean. Drilling or screwing into the walls is prohibited in containers.

- OC charges €150 for cleaning each dirty wax cabin or to repair wall holes. When the keys are handed over, LOC will inspect the wax cabins.

A financial penalty (CHF 900 per cabin) to the NSA or company that has ordered waxing cabins and has not shown up.

Waxing trucks and changing vehicles:

- Teams and SRS must submit requested vehicles via pre-entry by Jan 24th, 2025.

- The priority parking in the service area in terms of distance to the stadium will be given to the wax trucks. If the service area cannot accommodate all vehicles, teams' secondary larger vehicles will be directed to the nearest parking facility.

- In addition to the wax truck, each team can apply for one parking permit for a smaller vehicle in the online entry system. For more

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information, see the parking in the service area section.

• **Email kalle.lepisto@icloud.com by Sunday, March 2nd, to confirm the driver's phone number, arrival date, and time for service area parking.**

• Trucks may park in the service area from Sunday, March 16th, at 19:00 until the truck's arrival deadline on Wednesday, March 19th. This area is designated for parking during the Continental Cup competitions from March 14th to 16th, 2025.

• Teams using additional vehicles as changing or living spaces for athletes must follow the same information process. Note: If the space runs out in the service area, the teams' secondary trucks, buses, etc., will be directed to the nearest parking facility.

• SRS members coming with a waxing vehicle and requiring a power supply will be charged CHF 100. The companies must communicate their requests (parking size, power supply, etc.) for the vehicle to the OC.

Parking in the service area

There will be limited parking space in the service area. Each cross-country team and SRS can request one special parking permit from the race office for the service area. Drop-off is possible at the designated point in the service area.

The season accreditation parking permit allows parking at the "dog field" 150-200m from the service area, next to the skiing course. Access the "dog field" parking area via Hämeenlinnantie:

When driving from the city centre, continue past the jumping hill and the Cross-Country service area intersection. Then, turn right at the next intersection from Hämeenlinnantie to Vaskelaisenrinne. Immediately after, make another right turn, and you'll reach the parking area from this road.

Refer to the venue map for the correct route.

Bibs distribution

The Cross-Country bibs can be picked up from the race office at the CC service area.

Offices

Cross-Country race office +358 44 767 2131

Opening times:

Sunday 16.3. – Tuesday 18.3. at request.

Wed 19.3. 9:00-18:00

Thu 20.3. 9:00-19:00

Fri 1.3. 9:00-21:00

Sat 2.3. 9:00-19:00

Sun 3.3. 9:00-

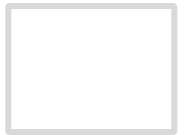
Please call the race office phone number well before your arrival to confirm whether you can obtain wax cabin keys or truck parking guidance from Sunday 16.3. to Tuesday 18.3.

The Cross-Country service area building also houses accommodation, financial and team host offices.

The accommodation office is at the Cross-Country service area building.

Cross-country Chief of Accommodation: Anne-Mari Sipponen, anne-mari.sipponen@lahtiregion.fi +358 40 357 6918

Opening times: Thu 20.3. - Sat 22.3. 10-18, Sun 23.3. closed.



9. Medical Service

Emergency number: **112**

Medical Centre at the stadium

Grandstand building ground floor, 3rd staircase - stadium side.

+358 44 751 4771

Local Hospital

Päijät-Häme Central Hospital

Keskussairaalankatu 7, 15850 Lahti.

Switchboard: +358 3 81911 <https://pajjat-sote.fi/en/central-hospital/>

Emergency department Akuutti24 open 24/7

Päijät-Häme Central Hospital

Keskussairaalankatu 7, 15850 Lahti.

<https://pajjatha.fi/en/services-and-seeking-care/emergency-department/>

Medical Helpline at tel. +358 116117

10. Testing protocol by LOC or host country

Anti-Doping control

According to FIS standards and rules. The test station is on the ground floor of the Grandstand building at the cross-country stadium, next to the medical centre.

11. Regulations of radio equipment/Radio Frequencies

The Finnish Transport and Communications Agency (Traficom) regulates the use of radio frequencies in Finland. Based on submitted applications, Traficom issues radio licenses for radio transmitter users to ensure trouble-free utilisation of the radio spectrum.

Applications can be submitted by filling out the form with the link below **by February 16th 2025**.

<https://www.traficom.fi/en/radio-licence-related-short-term-events>

Some radio transmitters can be used license-exempt, depending on their operating frequency and application.

Please refer to Traficom Regulation 15 - <https://www.traficom.fi/en/regulations/regulation-15-collective-frequencies-licence-exempt-radio-transmitters-and-their-use>

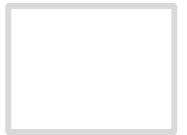
The applicable frequency bands for wireless cameras, video links and microphones have been collected to page <https://www.traficom.fi/en/communications/communications-networks/wireless-cameras-video-links-and-microphones>

12. Regulations of Visa

The citizens of some countries will need a visa to visit Finland. Please check with your embassy if you need a visa for Finland. For an official letter of invitation, please send a request to the Lahti Ski Games by email: teamservice@lahtiskigames.com.

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More information is available on the Finnish Ministry for Foreign Affairs website: <https://um.fi/visa-to-visit-finland>.

13. Special permissions for truck driving

No special permissions are needed to drive in Finland.

LOC requirements and restrictions for trucks:

- Confirm the driver's phone number, arrival date, and time for service area parking to kalle.lepisto@icloud.com by **Sunday, March 2nd**.
- Trucks may be parked in the service area from Sunday, March 16th, at 19:00 until the last truck's arrival deadline on Wednesday, March 19th. The service area is a parking lot for the previous weekend's Continental Cup competitions 14.-16.3.2025.

14. Maps

More information from the event: <https://lahtiskigames.com/>