

Türi-Tori X Downriver Race, 13th of April 2019

INSTRUCTIONS

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. Türi-Tori Downriver Race is a paddling marathon for sportsmen and water hikers on canoes, kayaks, rafts and other human-powered watercraft. The marathon is held during the river's spring flood.
- 1.2. These instructions regulate all, that associates with Türi-Tori X Downriver Race.
- 1.3. Türi-Tori Downriver Race is organised by a non-profit organisation Matkahunt MTÜ.
 - 1.3.1. Competition manager: Koit Raud.
 - 1.3.2. Route marking: Asso Kommer
 - 1.3.3. Timing and results: Märt Maipuu

2. CLASSES

- 2.1. All human-powered watercraft which can float in case of overturn and which can achieve necessary speed to cover the distance, can participate in competition.
- 2.2. **Competing boat classes are**
 - 2.2.1. **K1MEN** MEN all single kayaks
 - 2.2.2. **K1WOM** WOMEN all single kayaks
 - 2.2.3. **K2MEN** MEN all double kayaks
 - 2.2.4. **K2WOM** WOMEN all double kayaks
 - 2.2.5. **K2MIX** MIXED DOUBLES all double kayaks
 - 2.2.6. **C1MEN** MEN all single canoes
 - 2.2.7. **C2MEN** MEN all double canoes
 - 2.2.8. **C2WOM** WOMEN all double canoes
 - 2.2.9. **C2MIX** MIXED DOUBLES all double canoes
 - 2.2.10. **RAFT** all rubber boats
 - 2.2.11. **SUP** all stand-up paddle boards
 - 2.2.12. **WTB** all water bikes
 - 2.2.13. All the other watercrafts, including canoes and kayaks, which teams are bigger or smaller than showed in instructions, compete outside the record. Teams of unspecified classes do not get rewarded as competing classes.
- 2.3. **Characteristics of canoe (C) competing class are following:**
 - 2.3.1. canoe paddles with one blade are used;
 - 2.3.2. seat is not on the bottom of the boat, but higher, canoer is kneeling on the bottom or sitting on the seat higher from the bottom;
 - 2.3.3. boat is without steering system;
 - 2.3.4. manufacturer names the boat in the product description a canoe/sells it as a canoe.
- 2.4. **Characteristics of rubber boat (RAFT) competing class are following:**
 - 2.4.1. boats are inflatable, flat bottomed and without steer, only the canoe paddle with one blade is used.
 - 2.4.2. biggest allowed ratio of width and length of the boat is 3. For example – if RAFT's width is 1m, then biggest allowed length is 3m.
- 2.5. If competition's manager has justified doubt, that watercraft doesn't belong to that class it has been registered to, he has the right to move competitor to another class.

3. DISTANCES:

3.1. Participants may choose between three distances with different length.

3.2. TÜRI-TORI MAIN DISTANCE:

3.2.1. The length of the main distance is **78 km** with a start from Veskisilla, Türi-Alliku to Tori Basic School.

3.2.2. **START of the main distance:**

3.2.2.1. Start is located in Türi parish, near Türi-Paide road in Türi-Alliku, in the territory of Veskisilla Hotel – 58.820131, 25.44530, on the left bank of Pärnu River.

3.2.2.2. **RAFT** class starts at **7:00**

3.2.2.3. **ALL OTHER CLASSES** start at **8:00**

3.2.2.4. **Individual start** is given on the basis of **personal starting times**, provided previously on the home page, **from the starting flags in the parking lot**, where is also a **starter clock** showing the official time of the competition.

3.2.2.5. **More information about the start is given in these instructions in point 9.**

3.2.3. **ROUTE of the main distance:**

3.2.3.1. The route has 5 checkpoints (KP), one with catering for the participants (KPT).

3.2.3.2. More information about the route has been given in these instructions in point 10.

3.2.4. **FINISH of the main distance:**

3.2.4.1. **FINISH** is located in Pärnu County, in Tori small borough, 1,2 km downstream from Tori bridge, next to Tori Basic School, on the left bank of Pärnu river – 58.477639, 24.797419.

3.2.4.2. **Finish gate** is marked with **yellow** flags with black writing FINIŠ on it.

3.2.4.3. Headquarters, changing room, catering, sauna are in Tori Basic School, To get there one should follow signs from the finish area.

3.2.4.4. Cars are not allowed to enter finish area. For uploading the watercrafts, cars may be parked approximately 100m further, in the parking lot of Tori Basic School, according to scheme added to starting materials.

3.2.4.5. More information about the finish has been given in these instructions in point 11.

3.2.5. **The Time limit** to cover the main distance is **15 hours**. Finish is closed at 22:00.

3.3. TÜRI-TORI HIKING DISTANCE:

3.3.1. The length of the **hiking distance** is **47 km** with a start from Kurgja to Tori Basic School.

3.3.2. **START of the hiking distance:**

3.3.2.1. Start is located in Põhja-Pärnumaa parish, in Kurgja, by the top of the road bridge near The Farm Museum of C.R. Jakobson. Start is given from the parking lot on the right bank of Pärnu river - 58.665082, 25.256335

3.3.2.2. **Hiking distance START** is at 10:00

3.3.2.3. **Individual start** is given on the basis of **personal starting times**, provided previously on the home page, **from the starting flags in the parking lot**, where is also a **starter clock** showing the official time of the competition.

- 3.3.2.4. More information about the start is given in these instructions in point 9.
- 3.3.3. **ROUTE of the hiking distance:**
 - 3.3.3.1. The route has 3 checkpoints (KP).
 - 3.3.3.2. More information about the route has been given in these instructions in point 10.
- 3.3.4. **FINISH of the hiking distance:**
 - 3.3.4.1. **FINISH** is located in Pärnu County, in Tori small borough, 1,2 km downstream from Tori bridge, next to Tori Basic School, on the left bank of Pärnu river – 58.477639, 24.797419.
 - 3.3.4.2. **Finish gate** is marked with **yellow** flags with black writing FINIŠ on it.
 - 3.3.4.3. Headquarters, changing room, catering, sauna are in Tori Basic School, where signs lead you from finish area.
 - 3.3.4.4. Cars are not allowed to enter finish area. For uploading the watercrafts, cars may be parked approximately 100m further, in the parking lot of Tori Basic School, according to scheme added to starting materials.
 - 3.3.4.5. More information about the finish has been given in these instructions in point 11.
- 3.3.5. **Time limit** to cover the hiking distance is **12 hours**. Finish is closed at 22:00.
- 3.4. **TÜRI-TORI 104 DISTANCE:**
 - 3.4.1. The length of **Türi-Tori 104** distance is **104 km with a start from Paide to Sindi**.
 - 3.4.2. Due to the characteristics of the river at the beginning of the distance Türi-Tori 104 distance is meant only for **kayaks, canoes and SUPs**. All the other watercrafts should choose some other distance.
 - 3.4.3. **START of Türi-Tori 104 distance:**
 - 3.4.3.1. Start is located in **Paide** city, by Järve road, in the parking lot close to the confluence on Pärnu and Esna river, on the right bank of the river - 58.884207, 25.580126
 - 3.4.3.2. Türi-Tori 104 START is at 7:00
 - 3.4.3.3. **Individual start** is given on the basis of **personal starting times**, provided previously on the home page, **from the starting flags in the parking lot**, where is also **a starter clock** showing the official time of the competition.
 - 3.4.3.4. More information about the start is given in these instructions in point 9.
 - 3.4.4. **ROUTE OF TÜRI-TORI 104 DISTANCE:**
 - 3.4.4.1. The route has 7 checkpoints (KP), one with catering for the participants (KPT).
 - 3.4.4.2. More information about the route has been given in these instructions in point 10.
 - 3.4.5. **FINISH OF TÜRI-TORI 104 DISTANCE:**
 - 3.4.5.1. Finish is located in Pärnu county, in Sindi town, in the territory of outdoor swimming pool, 650 m downstream from Sindi bridge, on the left bank of Pärnu river - 58.413800, 24.664558
 - 3.4.5.2. **Finish gate** is marked with **white** flags with black writing FINIŠ on it.

- 3.4.5.3. Headquarters, changing room, catering, sauna are in Tori Basic School.
- 3.4.5.4. The competitors move to Tori Basic School immediately after finishing with their own or organisers transport.
- 3.4.5.5. More information about the finish has been given in these instructions in point 11.
- 3.4.6. **Time limit** to cover the distance is **17 hours**.
- 3.5. **More accurate description of the journey in Google Maps you'll find [here](#).**
- 3.6. **Competitors should choose a distance that corresponds to their skills and abilities and allows them to finish in daylight.**

4. **REGISTRATION**

- 4.1. All, at least 18-years old paddling enthusiasts and water hikers, who are trained enough to cover the distance, can participate.
- 4.2. **Under 18-years** can participate only in the same boat with a responsible adult competitor.
- 4.3. One can register for a competition on the Türi-Tori Downriver Race official webpage <https://www.tyritori.ee>.
- 4.4. Registration is valid only after paying starting fee.
- 4.5. An invoice will be sent to a registered competitor by email.
- 4.6. Participant will be shown in starting list after paying starting fee.
- 4.7. **Registrations unpaid for the set deadline will be cancelled automatically** and it will not be possible to register with an early starting fee again.
- 4.8. Registration to Türi-Tori X Downriver Race starts on 1st of January 2019 and lasts until 31st of March 2019.
- 4.9. Later registration with a reasonable excuse is possible, in which case the late registration special fees will apply (see STARTING FEES).

5. **STARTING FEES**

5.1. **In January**

- 5.1.1. 78 km Türi-Tori distance – 40€ per one competitor;
- 5.1.2. 47 km Kurgja-Tori distance – 35€ per one competitor;
- 5.1.3. 104 km Paide-Sindi distance – 45€ per one competitor

5.2. **In February**

- 5.2.1. 78 km Türi-Tori distance – 50€ per one competitor;
- 5.2.2. 47 km Kurgja-Tori distance - 45€ per one competitor;
- 5.2.3. 104 km Paide-Sindi distance – 55€ per one competitor

5.3. **In March**

- 5.3.1. 78 km Türi-Tori distance – 60€ per one competitor;
- 5.3.2. 47 km Kurgja-Tori distance – 55€ per one competitor;
- 5.3.3. 104 km Paide-Sindi distance – 65€ per one competitor

5.4. **In April**

5.4.1. **In all distances - 75€ per one competitor**

- 5.5. Starting fees of the teams will be calculated accordingly to the number of participants in the boat.
- 5.6. **The winners** of the boat classes of 78 km distance in 2018 IX Downriver Race have right to participate in 2019 Türi-Tori Downriver Race **FOR FREE. SPECIAL OFFER is personal** and can't be passed on. The special offer also doesn't cover a new boat mate.
- 5.7. **If you need transportation from finish back to the start, make a mark in correct place in registration form** and we'll take you and your watercraft back

to Paide, Veskisilla or Kurgja. Transfer costs 15€ per person, payment is made together with starting fee.

6. PAYMENT

6.1. Starting fee should be paid to:

International payments:

Beneficiary's name: MTÜ MATKAHUNT

Beneficiary's address: 87611 Kure talu, Põhja-Pärnumaa vald, Pärnumaa, Estonia

Beneficiary's IBAN: EE072200221049101228

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

6.2. Starting fee is not refunded if you **cancel the participation**. In case of cancellation for reasonable excuse, the starting fee may be transferred to the next year.

6.3. Starting fee is not refunded if **competition does not held** due to reasons, that doesn't depend on organisers.

7. ARRIVING AT STARTING LOCATIONS

7.1. **Visit the registration point immediately at arriving**, where you'll be given starting materials.

7.2. **Starting materials will be given** at starting locations during the registration of the arrival of the competitors.

7.2.1. IN VESKISILLA

ON FRIDAY 12th of April 19:00 - 23:00

ON SATURDAY 13th of April 06:00 – until the end of start.

7.2.2. IN KURGJA

ON SATURDAY 13th of April 08:30 – until the end of start.

7.2.3. IN PAIDE

ON FRIDAY 12th of April 19:00 - 23:00

ON SATURDAY 13th of April 06:00 – until the end of start.

7.3. It's advisable to take the watercrafts to starting point, when you arrive. Organisers will be there since the beginning of registration of the competitors until the end of start.

8. ACCOMMODATION

8.1. Up-to-date information about accommodation possibilities in Paide, Türi, Kurgja and Tori can be found on Türi-Tori Downriver Race official webpage

<https://www.tyritori.ee>

8.2. Organisers do not organise or intermediate the accommodation.

9. START

9.1. **Only those teams are allowed to the start, who have returned signed Safety Instructions Sheet to the Secretariat.**

9.2. **Individual start** is given on the basis of **personal starting times**, given previously on the home page, **from the starting flags in the parking lot**, where is also a **starting clock** showing the official time of the competition.

- 9.3. Competitors can previously prepare their watercraft and equipment on the riverbank and they will be given **a start order from the judge at their starting time on their starting location** as described above.
- 9.4. Personal starting times of the teams will be published on the official Türi-Tori Downriver Race webpage <https://www.tyritori.ee> three days before the start at the latest and on site on information board.
- 9.5. A boat team **late for their start** gets starting time their given one.
- 9.6. Start is closed 10 minutes after last starter's given starting time.
- 9.7. **PLEASE BE EARLY IN THE START** as preparations take time.
- 9.8. Every team is insured with: startnumber, route legend with necessary information, timing in every checkpoint and finish, result in final protocol, diploma with name, time and ranking in according boat class.
- 9.9. Competition centers are closed **after start is given** and moved to a Finish by Tori Basic School.
- 9.10. Organisers are not responsible for cars, equipment etc. left to Paide, Veskisilla or Kurgja.

10. ROUTE

- 10.1. There are time limits to pass the checkpoints (KP) in the route, which are given in a chart below. Teams who exceed the time limit, will be called off the competition.

Paide	Distance from START			Length of the stage	Checkpoint (KP) is closed at
	Türi-Tori	Kurgja-Tori	Paide-Sindi		
Veskisilla KP	START		13 km	13 km	10:00
Jändja KP	13 km		26 km	13 km	12:00
Kurgja KPT	31 km	START	44 km	18 km	15:00
Suurejõe KP	45 km	14 km	58 km	14 km	17:00
Kure KP	60 km	29 km	73 km	15 km	19:30
Jõesuu KP	68 km	37 km	81 km	8 km	21:00
Tori FINISH	78 km	47 km	91 km	10 km	23:00
Sindi FINISH	X	X	104 km	13 km	24:00

- 10.2. **Organisers have exceptionally the right to shorten the route or stop the competition** during the marathon in order to assure the safety of competitors.
- 10.3. Catering is provided in Türi-Tori and Paide-Sindi distance in one checkpoint and in finish in Tori. In Kurgja-Tori distance catering is provided in finish.
- 10.4. Catering will be provided on the basis of starting number, there's no need to get an extra hand strap.
- 10.5. Soup, bread, salt, hot tea and water is provided in catering point.
- 10.6. We recommend to take also your own food, that gives energy in addition to catering point. For example nuts, raisins, energy batons and something to drink.

11. FINISH

- 11.1. The locations of the finish and finishing order has been described in these instructions in point 3.
- 11.2. Finishing is the moment when competitor in the boat crosses, in direction of downstream of the river, the imaginary line formed by finish flags.
- 11.3. In case of boat team with many competitors, finishing is the moment when first competitor has crossed the finish line.
- 11.4. Finish is illuminated after dark.
- 11.5. Hot meal, hot tea and water is provided in Tori Basic School.
- 11.6. Estimated finishing time of the first boat team at Tori Basic School would be at 14:30.
- 11.7. The last teams, covering Türi-Tori and Paide-Sindi distance, will be finishing after dark.

12. QUITTING

- 12.1. **It is MANDATORY to inform organisers about quitting** by calling a number you have been given and where you'll be registered as quitting team.
- 12.2. **Organisers do not transport** quitting teams and their boats to the finish. Please use follow-me-cars and your support teams.

13. TIMING

- 13.1. Time is recorded by organisers in the start, in the checkpoints and in the finish.
- 13.2. To get a result, team has to wear **their given start number in visible place** during all the marathon. Number has to be visible both **in front and from behind**.
- 13.3. **Judges has the right not to record the time of the teams**, that has not visible start number or record the time only then, when number becomes clearly visible to them.
- 13.4. Because of personal starting times, the final results will be shown in finish with certain delay.
- 13.5. Results during the competition in real time will be shown on Türi-Tori Downriver Race webpage <https://www.tyritori.ee> .

14. RULES

- 14.1. It's mandatory to wear a life-jacket. **Competitors without life-jacket will be disqualified.**
 - 14.1.1. Disqualification may take place also after the competition based on photo and/or video materials. In this case the result of the team will be cancelled and all medals and/or other souvenirs will be claimed back.
- 14.2. Boats must be guaranteed their flotation in the case of a turnover or breaking.
- 14.3. It's recommended to wear a helmet.
- 14.4. Distance has to be completed by competitor's own strength. Help from outside is allowed in the start and in carrying the boat around the dam. It is forbidden to change the competitors during the distance. All other issues of using help from outside will be resolved on the basis of received complaints and submitted evidence by the bench of judges.
- 14.5. In dark time the headlamps should be used - at least one for the team.
- 14.6. **It's mandatory to wear the given start number in visible place** during all the marathon. Number has to be visible both **in front and from behind**.
- 14.7. Car drivers must ensure safe traffic in checkpoints and elsewhere and follow the rules of the Traffic Act. The racing area is under the spotlight of the traffic police.

15. MANDATORY EQUIPMENT IN THE BOAT

- 15.1. **Waterproof packed mobile phone** with the saved contact numbers of the organisers.
- 15.2. **NB!** Attach mobile phone to yourself, so you can call help even if you've lost all the other equipment.
- 15.3. Headlamps (at least one for boat)
- 15.4. Pocket knife (at least one for boat)
- 15.5. Rope ca 5m
- 15.6. Trashbag. To throw garbage or bottles to the river is strictly forbidden, all violators will be **disqualified**.

16. RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT IN THE BOAT

- 16.1. Waterproof packed full set of clothes
- 16.2. Emergency thermal blanket
- 16.3. Devices for making a fire
- 16.4. Food and drink supplies to last in long distance
- 16.5. First aid kit (bandage, plasters, painkiller drugs etc)

17. SUPPORT TEAM

- 17.1. **Please use follow-me-car**, who secures you, is equipped with all necessary (food, drink, dry clothes, first aid kit etc.) and is waiting in checkpoints or bridges crossing the river (Poaka, Laupa, Jändja, Rae, Kurgja, Suurejõe, Vihtra, Jõesuu, Tori).
- 17.2. All follow-me-cars get instructions with all the necessary information for car drivers. Drivers should have also an Estonian road map.
- 17.3. Registered follow-me-car team members will be provided with catering in one checkpoint and in finish in Türi-Tori and Paide-Sindi distance. In Kurgja-Tori distance catering will be provided in finish. A hand strap can be bought for each support team member on registration, this will be exchanged in catering point for food.
 - 17.3.1. **The price for catering** for registered **support team member** is:
 - 17.3.1.1. TÜRİ– TORI, 78 KM distance – **8€** (catering in Kurgja checkpoint and in finish)
 - 17.3.1.2. KURGJA – TORI, 47 KM distance – **6€** (catering in finish)
 - 17.3.1.3. PAIDE – SINDI, 104 KM distance – **8€** (catering in Kurgja checkpoint and in finish)
 - 17.3.2. Support team members fee will be calculated accordingly in registration and payment is together with starting fee.

18. COMPETITORS' LIABILITY

- 18.1. All competitors take part of the race at their own risk.
- 18.2. Organisers are not responsible for health disorders, injuries, trauma, death or similar during the race.
- 18.3. Competitor has to be aware of his/her health disorders and take necessary medicines to the boat.
- 18.4. The competitor is obligated to examine the risks that may arise during the race and to sign an acknowledgment when receiving the starting materials.

- 18.5. The competitor is responsible for the maintenance and safety of his/her equipment.
- 18.6. The local rescue and ambulance teams have been notified about the event.
- 18.7. If somebody needs help from the organisers, fix the time of the event and the participant's number, determine as precisely as possible the location of the person/team and inform the judge of the next checkpoint.
- 18.8. In the case of emergency, if the competitor needs immediate assistance, immediately notify the organisers and the emergency number 112 (information in starting materials).

19. **AWARDING**

- 19.1. All competitors will be awarded diplomas and medals for passing the marathon.
- 19.2. The best boat classes will be awarded according to the number of teams participating in the class:
 - 19.2.1. Participating 9 and more teams, 3 best will be awarded;
 - 19.2.2. Participating 6-8 teams, 2 best will be awarded;
 - 19.2.3. Participating 2-5 teams, only winning team will be awarded.
 - 19.2.4. The boat class with only one team does not qualify for an award.
 - 19.2.5. Participating 3 and more teams in a class, the winners of 78 km and 104 km distance have right to participate in next Türi-Tori Downriver Race for free. Special offer is personal and can't be passed on to a third person and also doesn't cover a new boat mate.
 - 19.2.6. The number of participants in the boat class is fixed at the end of the official registration period. The competitors who arrive in exceptional circumstances afterwards, will not change the boat class to be awarded.
- 19.3. A grand prize and several smaller awards from sponsors will be drawn up between the competitors, who signed and returned the Safety Instructions Sheet. For more information on the prizes, see the website <https://www.tyritori.ee> and Facebook.
- 19.4. **Drawing the awards:**
 - 19.4.1. The drawing starts at Tori schoolhouse about 1 hour before the estimated finish of the first competitor.
 - 19.4.2. The live streaming of the draw will take place on the Türi-Tori Downriver Race's Facebook page, if possible. In the absence of this option the video about the draw will be downloaded to the page as soon as possible.
 - 19.4.3. The results of the draw will be announced to the winners at once after their finish or notice about quitting.
 - 19.4.4. A disqualified competitor is not entitled to take part in lottery.

20. **FINAL WORD**

- 20.1. All racing issues, not covered by these instructions, are resolved by competition manager together with the bench of judges in accordance with current laws and good practice..

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