

INTERNATIONAL BIATHLON MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS



OFFICIAL INVITATION

KONTIOLAHTI FINLAND

16.-22.3.2026



SUOMEN AMPUMAHIIHTOLIITTO
FINNISH BIATHLON FEDERATION



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INTERNATIONAL BIATHLON MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

KONTIOLAHTI SPORT CLUB / OC
warmly welcomes all biathlon masters to
27th Biathlon Masters
International Championships. The first event
was organised in 1997.

**BIATHLON MASTERS
INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**
will be organized by
Kontiolahti Sport Club **16.-22.3.2026**
in Kontiolahti, North Karelia, Finland.
The venue for the event is the Kontiolahti
Biathlon Stadium.

COMPETITION REGULATIONS | KILPAILUSÄÄNNÖT

The competition will be carried out
according to IBU rules and regulations
(Rules for Biathlon Masters' Races).

You can participate to Masters if you are at
least 35 years old 1.1.2026. Age on 1.1.2026
determines your class.

KONTIOLAHDEN URHEILIJAT
toivottaa Teidät lämpimästi tervetulleeksi
ampumahiihdon veteraanien
27. mestaruuskilpailuihin. Ensimmäisen
kerran tapahtuma on järjestetty vuonna 1997.

**AMPUMAHIIHDON
KANSAINVÄLISET MASTERS-kilpailut**
järjestetään **16.-22.3.2026** Kontiolahden
ampumahiihtokeskuksessa.
Tapahtuman järjestää
Kontiolahden Urheilijat ry.

Kilpailuissa noudatetaan Kansainvälisen
Ampumahiihtoliiton (IBU) sääntöjä
(Rules for Biathlon Masters' Races).

Kilpailuun on osanotto-oikeus kaikilla lisens-
sin omaavilla ampumahiihtäjillä, joiden ikä
1.1.2026 on vähintään 35 vuotta. Kilpailijan
ikä 1.1.2026 määrää kilpailusarjan.

CLASSES OF COMPETITORS/TYPES OF COMPETITIONS / KILPAILULAJIT, KILPAILUSARJAT JA -MATKAT

INDIVIDUAL | NORMAALI

4 shootings (P+P+S+S) | 4 ammuntaa (M+M+P+P)

M35-39	10,0 km	(5 x 2,0 km)	W35-39	7,5km	(5 x 1,5 km)
M40-44	10,0 km	(5 x 2,0 km)	W40-44	7,5km	(5 x 1,5 km)
M45-49	10,0 km	(5 x 2,0 km)	W45-49	7,5km	(5 x 1,5 km)
M50-54	10,0 km	(5 x 2,0 km)	W50-54	6 km	(5 x 1,2 km)
M55-59	10,0 km	(5 x 2,0 km)	W55-59	6 km	(5 x 1,2 km)
M60-64	7,5 km	(5 x 1,5 km)	W60-64	6 km	(5 x 1,2 km)
M65-69	7,5 km	(5 x 1,5 km)	W65-69	5 km	(5 x 1,0 km)
M70-74	6 km	(5 x 1,2 km)	W70-74	5 km	(5 x 1,0 km)
M75-79	6 km	(5 x 1,2 km)	W75-79	5 km	(5 x 1,0 km)
M80+	5 km	(5 x 1,0 km)	W80+	5 km	(5 x 1,0 km)

SPRINT | PIKA

2 shootings (P+S = Prone+Stand) | 2 ammuntaa (M+P = Makuu+Pysty)

M35-39	6 km	(3 x 2,0 km)	W35-39	4,5 km	(3 x 1,5 km)
M40-44	6 km	(3 x 2,0 km)	W40-44	4,5 km	(3 x 1,5 km)
M45-49	6 km	(3 x 2,0 km)	W45-49	4,5 km	(3 x 1,5 km)
M50-54	6 km	(3 x 2,0 km)	W50-54	4 km	(3 x 1,2 km)
M55-59	6 km	(3 x 2,0 km)	W55-59	4 km	(3 x 1,2 km)
M60-64	4,5 km	(3 x 1,5 km)	W60-64	4 km	(3 x 1,2 km)
M65-69	4,5 km	(3 x 1,5 km)	W65-69	3 km	(3 x 1,0 km)
M70-74	4 km	(3 x 1,2 km)	W70-74	3 km	(3 x 1,0 km)
M75-79	4 km	(3 x 1,2 km)	W75-79	3 km	(3 x 1,0 km)
M80+	3 km	(3 x 1,0 km)	W80+	3 km	(3 x 1,0 km)

MASS START | YHTEISLÄHTÖ

4 shootings (P+P+S+S) | 4 ammuntaa (M+M+P+P)

M35-39	7,5 km	(5 x 1,5 km)	W35-39	6 km	(5 x 1,2 km)
M40-44	7,5 km	(5 x 1,5 km)	W40-44	6 km	(5 x 1,2 km)
M45-49	7,5 km	(5 x 1,5 km)	W45-49	6 km	(5 x 1,2 km)
M50-54	7,5 km	(5 x 1,5 km)	W50-54	5 km	(5 x 1 km)
M55-59	7,5 km	(5 x 1,5 km)	W55-59	5 km	(5 x 1 km)
M60-64	6 km	(5 x 1,2 km)	W60-64	4 km	(5 x 800 m)
M65-69	6 km	(5 x 1,2 km)	W65-69	4 km	(5 x 800 m)
M70-74	5 km	(5 x 1,0 km)	W70-74	4 km	(5 x 800 m)
M75-79	5 km	(5 x 1,0 km)	W75-79	4 km	(5 x 800 m)
M80+	4 km	(5 x 800 m)	W80+	4 km	(5 x 800 m)

NOTE! 1,5 km loop is different on Mass start. Check track maps in the end of the invitation.
HUOM! 1,5 km latu on erilainen yhteislähdöissä. Tarkista latukartat kutsun lopusta.

There is no quota on the registration for the Biathlon Masters International Championships.
Masters-kisoissa ei ole osanottajarajoituksia.

PROGRAM | OHJELMA

DATE PVM	COMPETITION KILPAILUT	TRAINING HARJOITTELU	OFFICIAL PROGRAM VIRALLINEN OHJELMA
Monday Maanantai 16.3.		11.00-15.00 Training Harjoittelu	Arrival Saapuminen
Tuesday Tiistai 17.3.		11.00-15.00 Training Harjoittelu	
Wednesday Keskiviikko 18.3.		11.00 - 15.00 Official training Virallinen harjoittelu	15.30- Team captains' meeting JoJo-kokous
Thursday Torstai 19.3.	11.00 - 11.50 Zeroing Kohdistus 12.00- Individual Normaali		
Friday Perjantai 20.3.	9.00 - 9.50 Zeroing 10.00 - Sprint Pika		18.30 - 23.00 Masters Gala
Saturday Lauantai 21.3.		11.00 - 15.00 Training Harjoittelu	
Sunday Sunnuntai 22.3.	9.00 - 9.50 Zeroing Kohdistus 10.00 - Mass Start Yhteislähtö		Departure Lähtö
Monday Maanantai 23.3.			Departure Lähtö

NOTE! If there are more than 170 athletes, there will be two zeroings every day.

HUOM! Kohdistuksia on päivittäin kaksi mikäli osallistujia on yli 170.

ACCREDITATION | AKKREDITOINTI

Accreditation will take place in the competition office located in the Kontiolahti Biathlon Stadium.

Akkreditointi tapahtuu kilpailutoimistossa, joka sijaitsee ampumahiihtostadionilla.

ENTRY FEES | OSANOTTOMAKSUT

Entry fees will cover all race/training events, programmes and the Masters' Gala.

Notice the discount on entry fees in connection with an early payment.

Entry fee deadlines:

Until 30.10.2025: 180 €
Until 31.12.2025: 200 €
Until 28.2.2026: 230 €

Bank transfer

Account owner: Kontiolahden Urheilijat ry
Bank: Oma Säästöpankki Oyj
Bank address: Siltakatu 10, 80100 JOENSUU, FINLAND
IBAN: FI02 4108 0012 8900 94
BIC CODE: ITELFIHH

Credit Card

Credit card payment via: <https://pay.vivawallet.com/kontiolahden-urheilijat-ry>

Reference with payment: Masters 2026 / Athlete name

ENTRY FORM | ILMOITTAUTUMISLOMAKE

Online entry form:

- [Link on event website](#)
or

Ilmoittautumislomake:

- [Linkki tapahtuman nettisivuilla](#)
tai

CLICK HERE



Entry and the enclosed forms must be sent to the Organizer by **28.2.2026**.

Visa regulations, see appendix 1 and 2.

Ilmoittautumiset **28.2.2026 mennessä** järjestäjälle kotisivuilta löytyvän lomakkeen välityksellä.

FLUOR BAN AND TESTING | **FLUORIKIELTO JA -TESTAUS**

Please note that fluor waxes are prohibited in international biathlon competitions.

There will be fluor testing before every race.

More information on [IBU website](#).

Osallistujia pyydetään huomioimaan, että fluorivoiteet on kielletty kansainvälisissä am-pumahihtokilpailuissa.

Ennen jokaista kilpailua on fluoritestausta.

Lisätietoa asiasta [IBU:n nettisivuilla](#).

IMPORT & EXPORT OF RIFLES, AMMUNITION AND RADIO EQUIPMENT

Rifles:

In order to facilitate your arrival and departure at customs regarding rifles and ammunition, please find the enclosed form (appendix 3), which should be completed. The weapon list must be sent by e-mail at last 28.2.2026. The weapon import licence will be applied by the Organizer. The price of the private import licence is 50 € per each arriving group and the list will be sent to the teams.

The competitors coming from the EU-nations are recommended to use the European Weapons Passport.

Kontiolahti Sport Club has biathlon rifles, which can be rented.

- Rental price for Iz mash: 60 e/rifle

Ask for availability:

competition@kontiolahtibiathlon.com

Radio equipment:

LA (CB), PR 27 and PMR 446 radios are free of charge, provided that they fulfil the requirements of relevant equipment standards and specifications. Information concerning the fees is available at www.traficom.fi/en

If you have any other type of radio equipment, please contact:

competition@kontiolahtibiathlon.com

WAYS OF ARRIVAL

BY PLANE

Joensuu Airport is located 11 km from Joensuu and 25 km from the Kontiolahti Biathlon Stadium. There are 1-2 daily flights from Helsinki to Joensuu.

www.finnair.fi

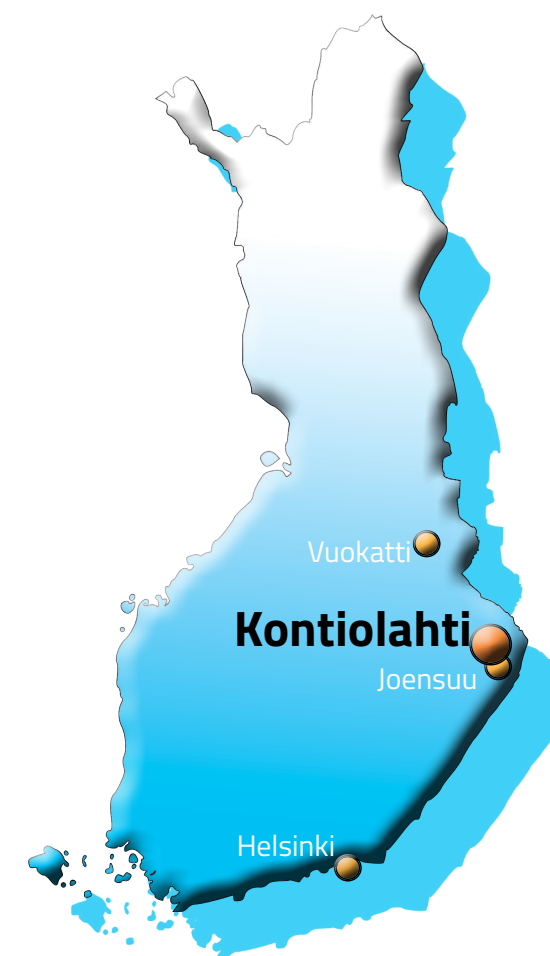
BY TRAIN

Joensuu Railway Station is located in the centre of Joensuu, 14 km from the Kontiolahti Biathlon Stadium. There are 6 daily connections from Helsinki to Joensuu and the journey takes app. 4,5 hours.

www.vr.fi

BY CAR

From	to Joensuu
Helsinki	438 km/5 hrs
Lappeenranta	253 km/3 hrs
Vuokatti	200 km/2,5 hrs
Tampere	413 km/5 hrs



INSURANCES | VAKUUTUKSET

The Organizer is not responsible for injuries to persons or damages to property.

All attendants have to be covered by an adequate insurance policy against accidents, illnesses and civil liability.

Järjestäjä ei ole vastuussa mahdollisista onnettomuuksista.

Kaikilla tapahtumaan osallistuvilla on oltava voimassaoleva lisenssi ja tapaturmavakuutus.

ACCOMMODATION | MAJOITUS



HOTEL KIMMEL

To stadium 16 km

Itäranta 1, 80100 JOENSUU

www.sokoshotels.fi

kimmel.joensuu@sokoshotels.fi

+358 20 1234 663

Standard

Superior +20 €

1 per/night 2 per/night

1 hlö/yö

2 hlö/yö

112 €

118 €

NOTE! / HUOM!

Online reservation / Varaukset:

www.sokoshotels.fi

Reservation code / Varuskoodi:

BMASTERS26

Prices are subject to availability 12.-23.3.2026, reservation deadline 22.2.2026.

Hinnat voimassa saatavuuden mukaan aikavälille 12.-23.3.2026, varausten eräpäivä 22.2.2026.



HOTEL GREENSTAR

To stadium 16 km

Torikatu 16, 80100 JOENSUU

www.greenstar.fi

joensuu@greenstar.fi

+358 10 423 9390

Room/Huone

1 per/night

2 per/night

2+1 per/night (extra bed in double room)

1 hlö/yö

2 hlö/yö

2+1 hlö/yö (lisäsänky 2 hengen huoneessa)

79 €

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79 €

Breakfast not included in prices/Aamupala ei sisälly hintoihin.

91 €

103 €

115 €

Breakfast is included in prices/Aamupala sisältyy hintoihin.

NOTE! / HUOM!

Online reservation / Varaukset:

www.greenstar.fi

Reservation code/Varuskoodi:

MASTERS



HOTEL LIETSU

To stadium 16 km

Rantakatu 26 A, 80100 JOENSUU

www.lietsuhotel.fi

info@lietsuhotel.fi

+358 44 7520 500

1 per/night

2 per/night

1 hlö/yö

2 hlö/yö

105 €

125 €

Room/Huone

Prices include accommodation, local breakfast, WiFi, use of EasyFit gym and hotel sauna (private 1h once during the stay). Parking 10 €/day if needed. Kitchen, private bathroom and laundry facility in each room. Free cancellation 24 h before arrival (at 4 PM).

Booking with code **MASTERS26** either at <https://www.lietsuhotel.fi/en/book-a-room>, by email info@lietsuhotel.fi or by tel. +358 44 7520 500 according to availability.

Discount prices are applicable between 13.-23.3.2026.



HOTELLI KONTIO

To stadium 4 km

Huoltamontie 8, 80770 KONTIOLAHTI

www.hotellikontio.fi

majoitus@hotellikontio.fi

+358 400 596 063

1-2 per/night

1-2 hlö/yö

3 per/night

3 hlö/yö

4 per/night

4 hlö/yö

Room/Yksiö

17m²:

76 €

Room/Huoneisto

35 m²:

96 €

115 €

125 €

- Includes minikitchen | sisältää minikeittiön

Room/Huoneisto

54 m²:

125 €

140 €

140 €

- Includes kitchen | sisältää keittiön

Room/Huoneisto

62 m²:

279 €/night (1-6 persons) | 279 €/yö (1-6 hlöä)

- Includes 3 bedrooms, kitchen | sisältää mm. 3 makuuhuonetta ja keittiön

NOTE! / HUOM!

Online reservation / Varaukset:

www.hotellikontio.fi

Reservation code / Varuskoodi:

2026MASTERS



HOLIDAY LINNUNLAHTI

To stadium 18 km

Linnunlahdentie 1, 80110 JOENSUU

www.linnunlahti.fi

sales@linnunlahti.fi

+358 400 333133

Apartment

- 1-2 persons

120 €/night/yö

- 3-4 persons

150 €/night/yö

- 5-6 persons

180 €/night/yö

Breakfast or lunch: 15 €/person/day

Aamupala tai lounas: 15 €/hlö/päivä

Includes bed linens, towels and final cleaning / Sisältää linavaatteet, pyyhkeet ja loppusiivouksen.



LINNUNLAHTI HOSTEL

To stadium 18 km

Kalevankatu 5b, 80110 JOENSUU

www.linnunlahtihotel.fi

sales@linnunlahtihotel.fi

+358 50 408 4587

1 per/night

1 hlö/yö

69 €

2 per/night

2 hlö/yö

79 €

Room/Huone

Room/Huone*

59 € (*shared bathroom and kitchen/jaettu pesuhuone ja keittiö)

Price includes breakfast / Hinta sisältää aamiaisen.

FURTHER INFORMATION | TIEDUSTELUT

Kontiolahti Sport Club | Kontiolahden Urheilijat ry

Napakympintie 24
81100 KONTIOLAHTI
FINLAND

www.kontiolahtibiathlon.com/kontiolahden-urheilijat/tapahtumat/masters

OC Secretary General | Kilpailun pääsihteeri
Jarno Lautamatti
competition@kontiolahtibiathlon.com
+358 43 2180573

APPENDIX 1

VISA REGULATIONS

Countries needing VISA to enter Finland: ALG, ARM, BIH*, BLR**, CHN, GEO, IND, IRI, ISV, KAZ, KEN, KGZ, LIB, MAR, MDA, MKD*, MGL, PUR, RUS**, SRB*, TPE, TUR, UKR*, UZB.

*VISA is not needed when the person has biometric or diplomatic passport.

**Not allowed to participate IBU events until further noticed.

To obtain a Visa, please contact the Finnish Embassy of your own country.

All participants coming from visa duty countries will be helped to obtain their visa for entry. Please fill the form Registration by Name for Visa Applications and send it to the Organizer by 28.2.2026.

APPENDIX 2

REGISTRATION BY NAME FOR VISA APPLICATION

Only for nations which require Visa
**ALG,ARM,BIH,BLR,CHN,GEO,IND,IRI,KAZ,KGZ,LIB,MAR,MDA,MGL,PUR,RUS,SRB,
 TPE,UKR,UZB**

To be returned by 28.2.2026 to Kontiolahti Biathlon Office

E-Mail: competition@kontiolahtibiathlon.com

National Association:	
Contact person:	
Street address:	
ZIP code & town:	
Phone:	Email:

Surname	First name	Date of birth	Passport N°	Status*	Sex**

* A = athlete / O = official ** F = female / M = male

DATE: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

APPENDIX 3

LIST OF RIFLES

To be returned by 28.2.2026 to Kontiolahti Biathlon Office

E-Mail: competition@kontiolahtibiathlon.com

National Association:					
Contact person:					
Street address:					
ZIP code & town:					
Phone:				Email:	

Surname	First name	Date of birth	Passport N°	Trade-mark	Number

DATE: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

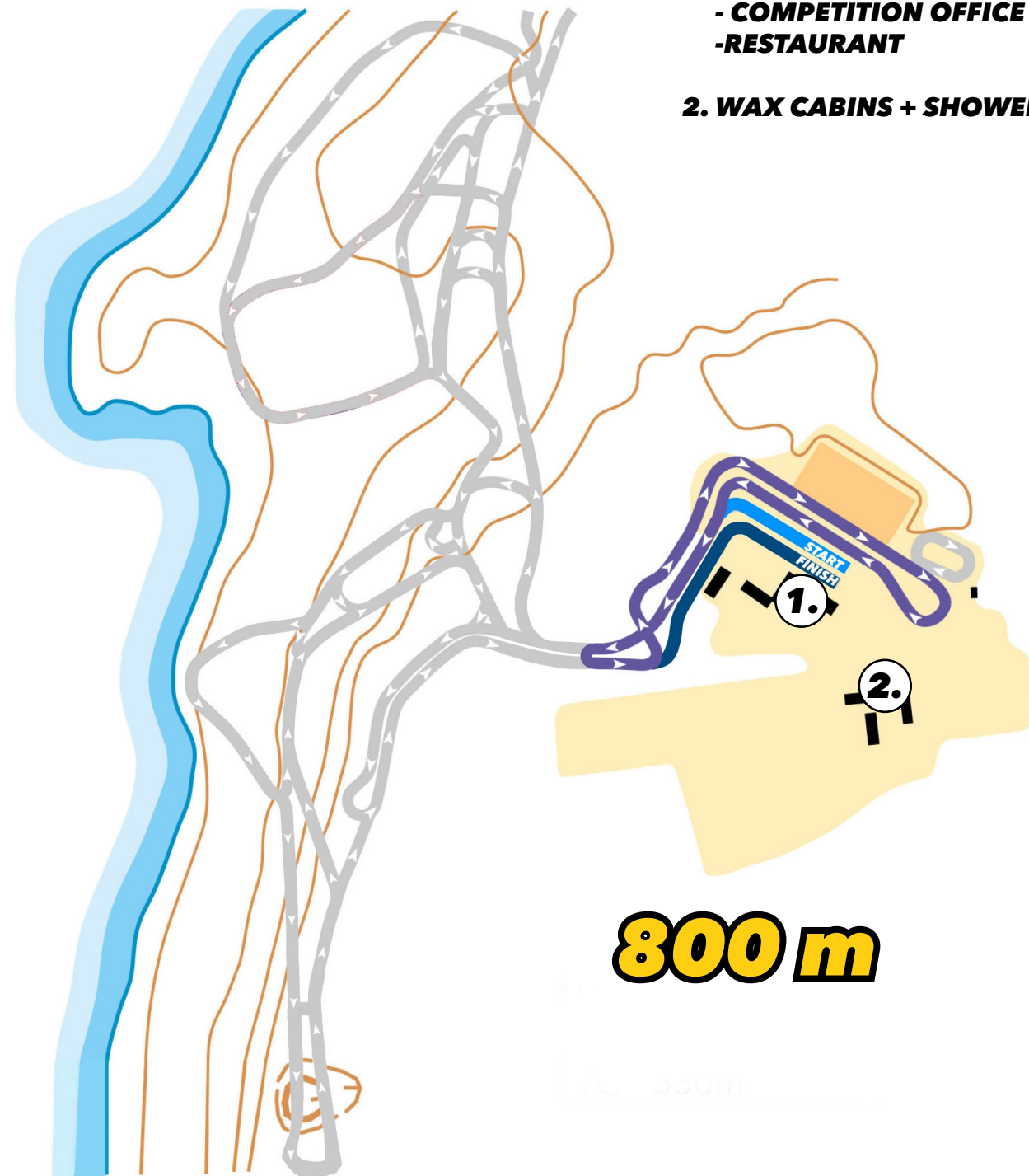
ATTENTION PLEASE!

Take copy of this list and take it with you for the Finnish customs authorities.

TRACK MAPS/ LATUKARTAT

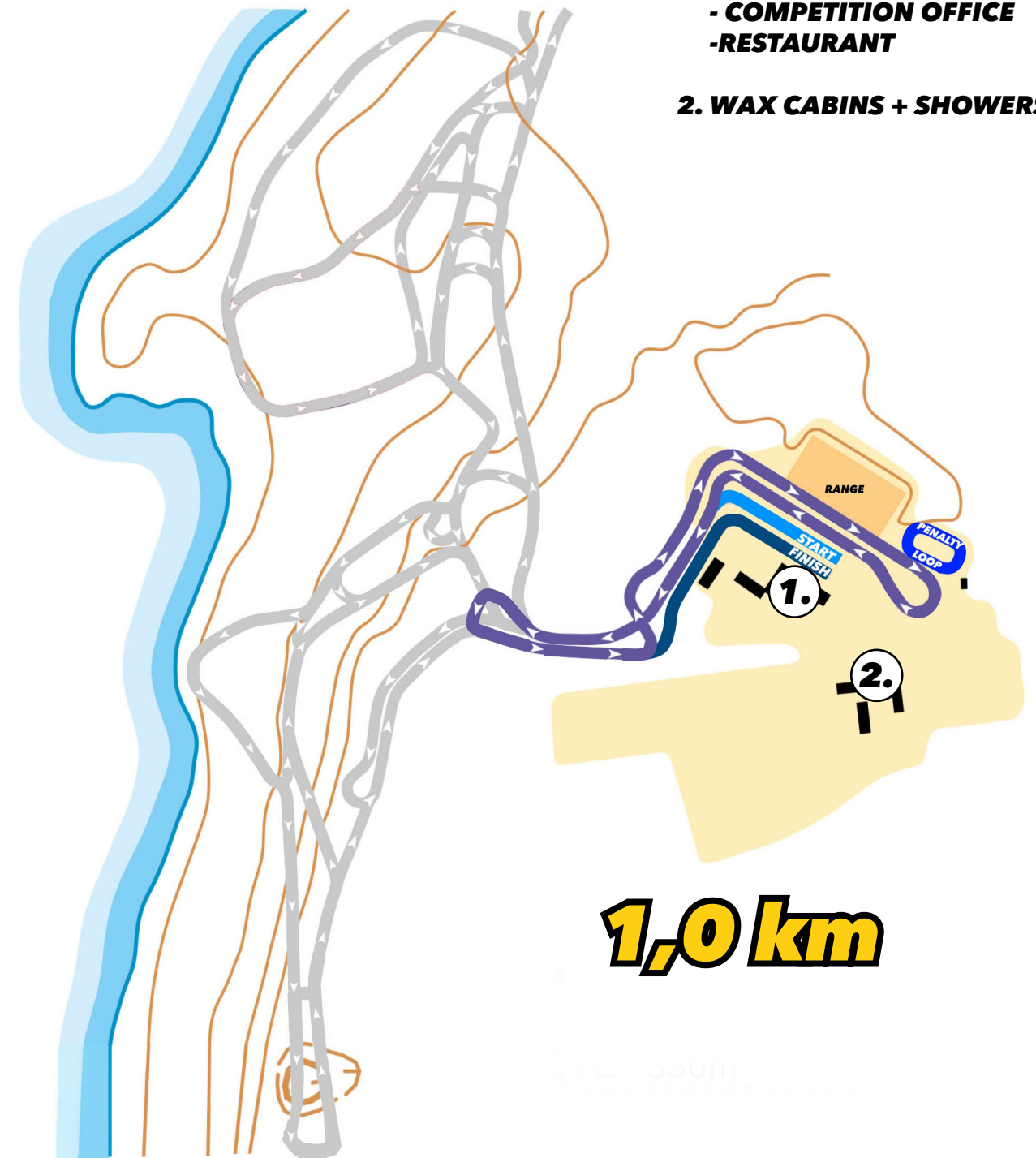
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 - COMPETITION OFFICE
 - RESTAURANT

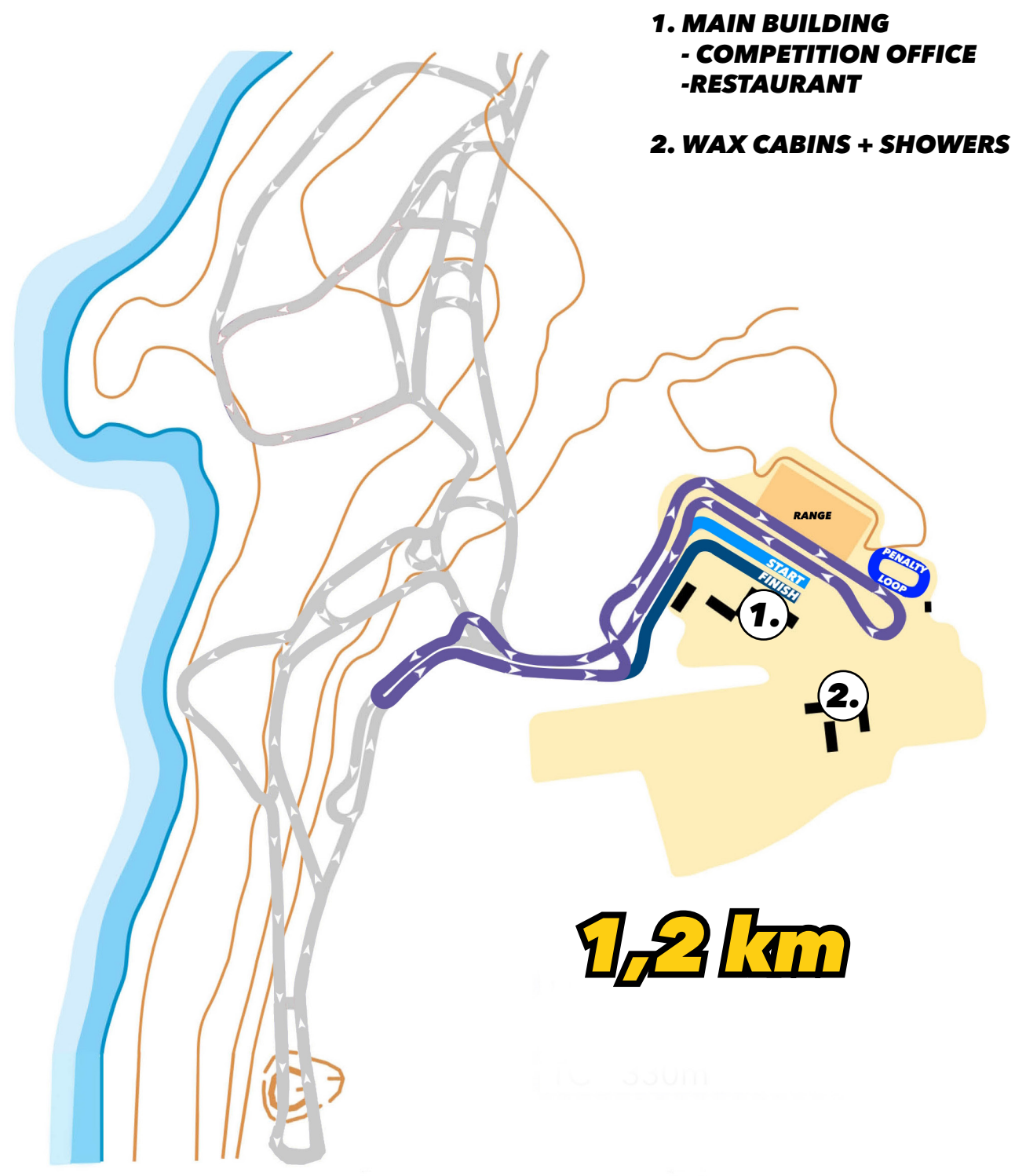
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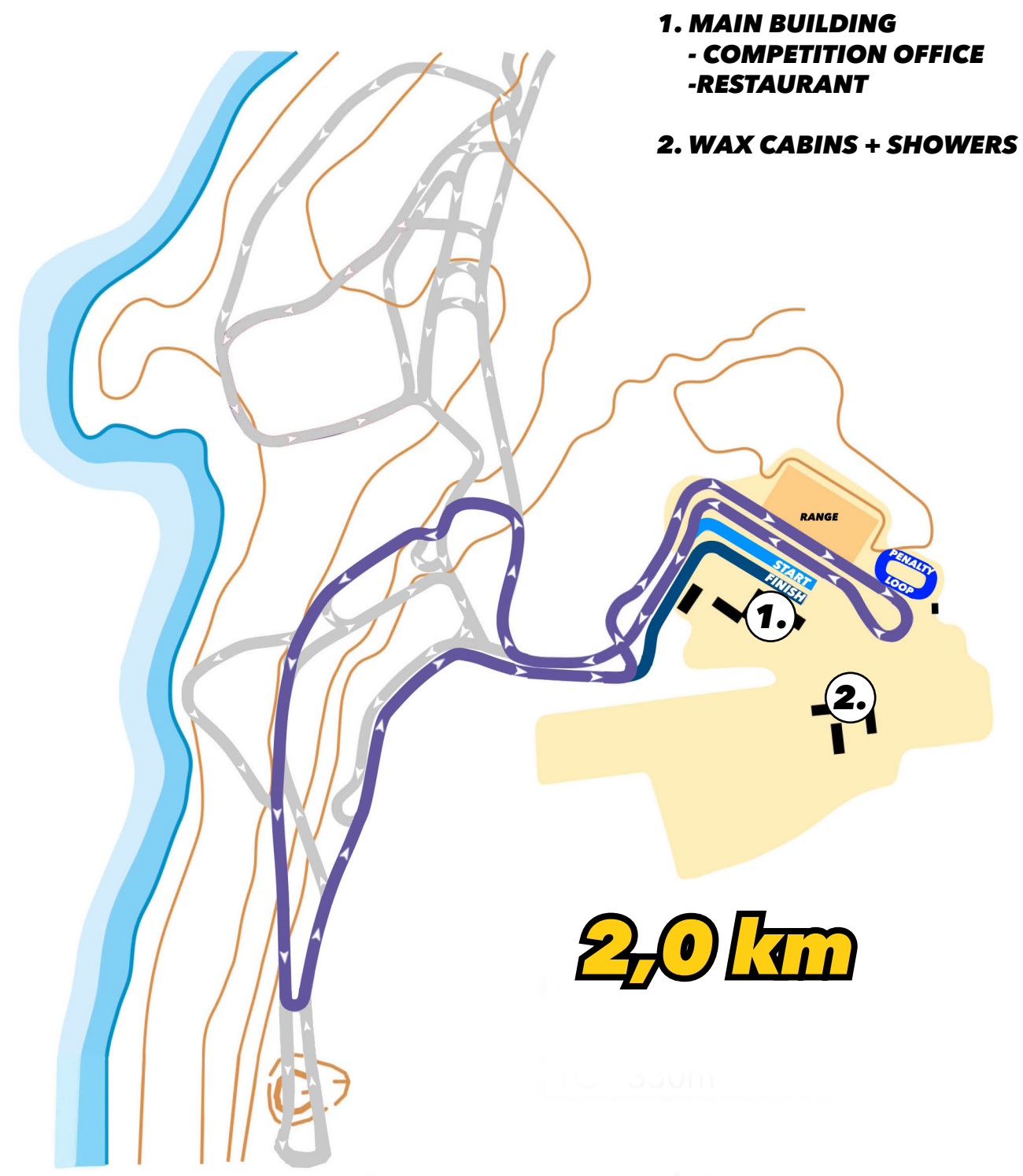


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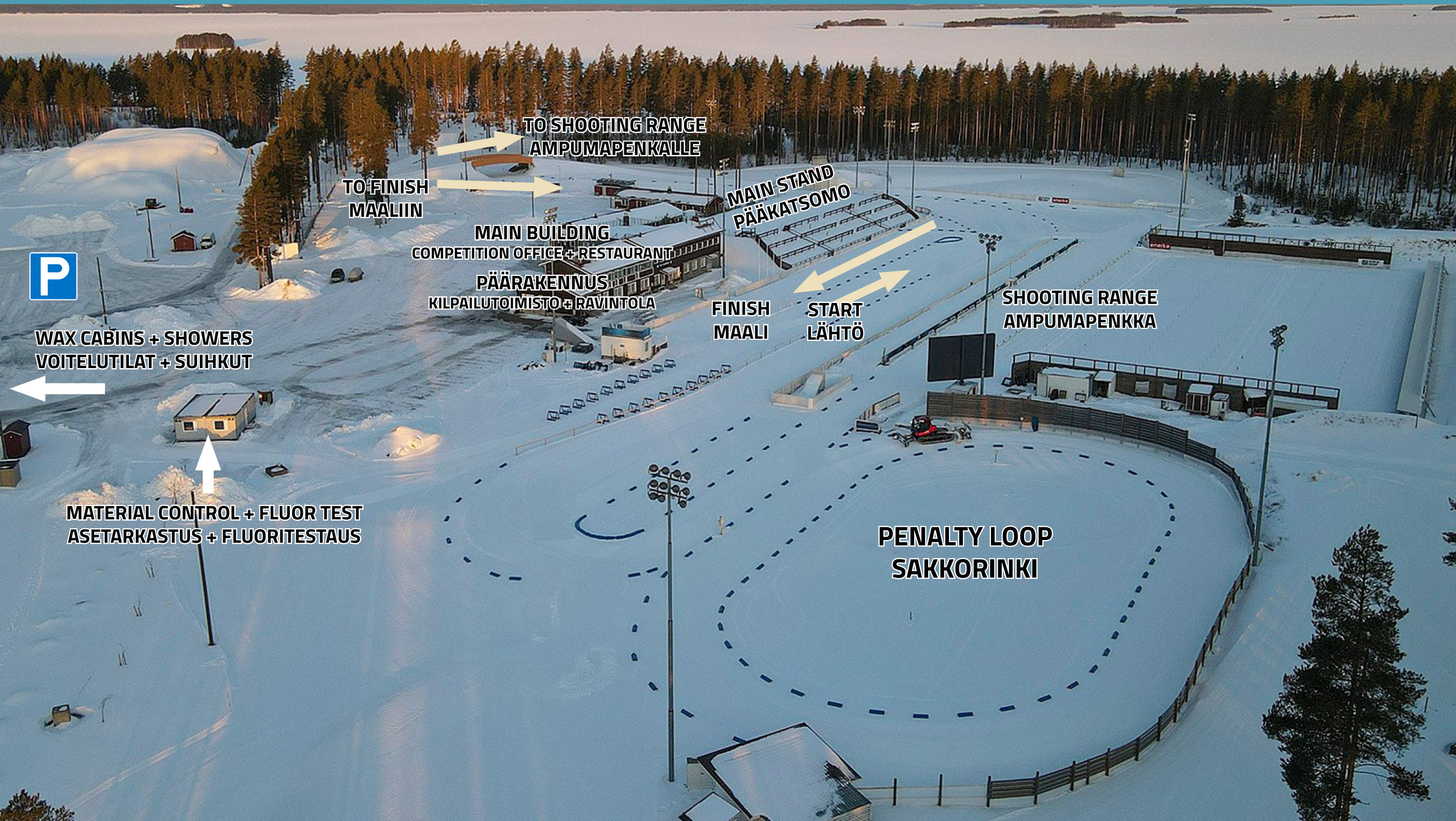
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KONTIOLAHTI BIATHLON STADIUM



WAX CABINS + SHOWERS
VOITELUTILAT + SUIHKUT

MATERIAL CONTROL + FLUOR TEST
ASETARKASTUS + FLUORITESTAUS

TO SHOOTING RANGE
AMPUMAPENKALLE

TO FINISH
MAALIIN

MAIN BUILDING
COMPETITION OFFICE + RESTAURANT
PÄÄRAKENNUS
KILPAILUTOIMISTO + RAVINTOLA

MAIN STAND
PÄÄKATSOMO

FINISH
MAALI

START
LÄHTÖ

SHOOTING RANGE
AMPUMAPENKKA

PENALTY LOOP
SAKKORINKI

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