

COMPETITION INFORMATION

ILVES GP 2026

April 25-26, 2026

Kirikuküla

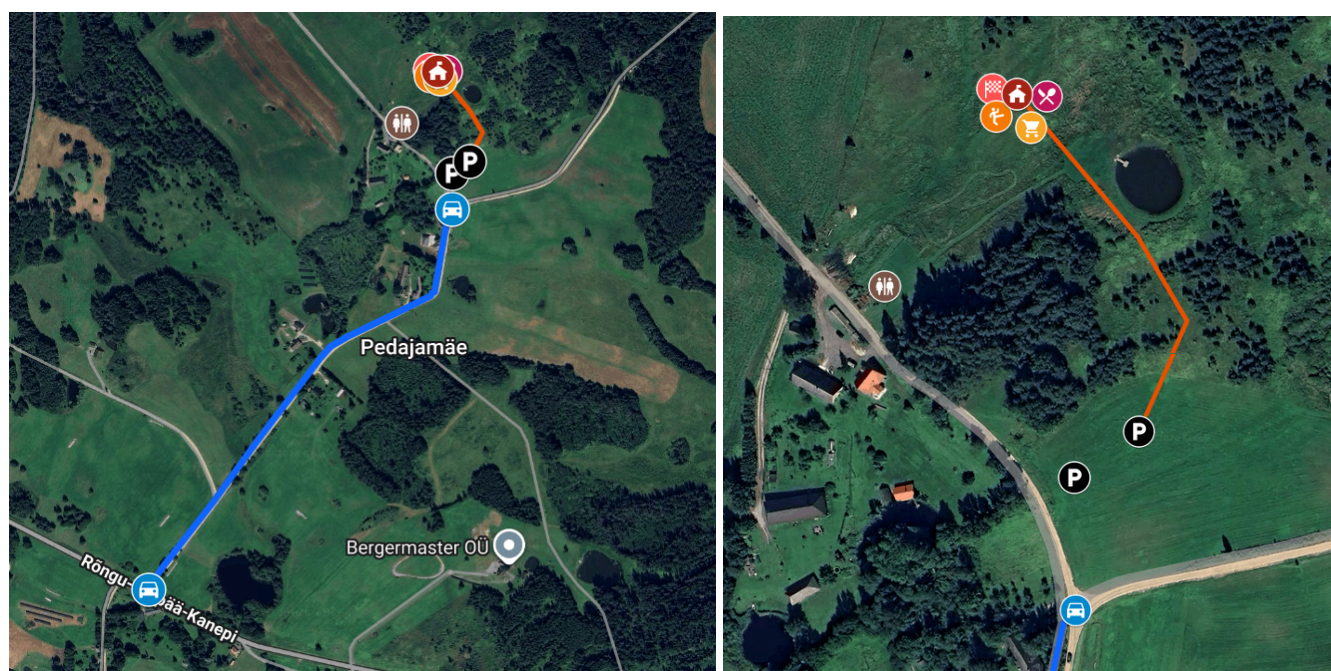


SCHEDULE

- April 25 **Mass start, Long Distance.**
Competition center is open 12:30
Start of first races 14:00.
- April 26 **Pursuit, Middle Distance.**
Competition center is open 9:00
Start of chasing starts 10:30.
Awards ceremony (estimated) 13:00.

COMPETITION CENTER – LAYOUT AND MARKINGS

The competition center is located in Pedajamäe village. Distance from different cities: Tartu 47 km, Võru 47 km, Tallinn 204 km ([LINK](#)). Parking is available in the immediate vicinity of the center. Exact location can be found here: [GP 2026 location and marking](#).



Markings. Markings start from Rõngu-Otepää-Kanepi main road. NB! The road leading to the competition center is a gravel road. We kindly ask everyone to slow down and be extra careful around the road!

The competition center is equipped with childcare, a children's track, and catering. For monitoring the competition, there is a commentator, and live results are visible in the center. We recommend clubs to bring their club tents to the competition center to chat with teammates and enjoy the competition together!

Thoughts by course setter Ott-Kaarel Kalm

The forest in Kirikuküla has not yet come into leaf in the week leading up to the competition and is therefore in prime condition for orienteering. Terrain passability varies greatly from area to area, ranging from very good to poor, but is generally good even in the "greener" sections. There are a few isolated areas with dense storm-felled trees where passability is poor. Water levels in bogs and ditches are low.

The terrain varies greatly across different areas of the Kirikuküla map, and over the two days of competition, most competitors will get to experience it all. This includes moving through flat terrain in fast pine forests, hilly terrain with more pronounced positive and negative relief, as well as moving between bogs and bog islands of various sizes.

STARTS

- START 1 - all classes, except marked courses and open courses.
- START 2 - marked courses, including open marked course and open courses

25.04 The mass starts take place at 10-minute intervals. During the starting interval, the competitor's SI-card number is checked, and the competition map is handed out. The maps are either named or have the competition class marked on them. The map can be viewed only after the starting signal. To make sure the competitor can start at the start time, the competitor has to be in the start area at least 2 minutes before the start time! Control time in all classes is 2,5 hours.

Start times:

Time	Competition class	
	MEN	WOMEN
14:00	35, 60, 75, 80	14, 21A, 21B, 80
14:10	40, 70, 85	20, 60
14:20	12, 18, 55, 65	65, 86
14:30	14, 21A, 45	12, 35, 40, 70
14:40	-	16, 18, 21E, 75
14:50	20, 21E, 21B	45, 55
15:00	16, 50	50

26.04 The pre-start is 5 minutes. The competitors are lined up according to their start time. Upon entering the pre-start, the competitor's SI-card number is checked. **The Chasing start lasts for 20 minutes from the first competitor in the competition class.** Competitors whose loss on the previous day is over 20 minutes, who did not complete the course correctly, or who did not start on the previous day will start with a 2-minute interval after the chase start.

Distance to the start from the competition center:

	START 1	START 2
25.04	0 m	100 m
26.04	400 m	600 m

COURSES INFO

Butterfly-like forking is used in following competition classes:

25.04 - M18, M20, M21E, N21E, M35, M40, M45

26.04 - no forking

NB! The control interval on the map is 2,5 meters.

Refreshment point: on both days, there is a self-service refreshment point on the terrain. It is not located in a control point, yet it is on a route choice for most of the classes. On day 1 the refreshment point is approximately on half way of the course, on day 2, on the last third of the course.

Class	April 25		April 26		Class	25. aprill		26. aprill	
MEHED (M)	Rada (km)	Mõõtkava/ formaat	Rada (km)	Mõõtkava/ formaat	NAISED (N)	Rada (km)	Mõõtkava/ formaat	Rada (km)	Mõõtkava/ formaat
8NR	1.4/2.4	1:5000 A4	1.4/2.3	1:5000 A4	8NR	1.4/2.4	1:5000 A4	1.4/2.3	1:5000 A4
10NR	1.4/2.4	1:5000 A4	1.4/2.3	1:5000 A4	10NR	1.4/2.4	1:5000 A4	1.4/2.3	1:5000 A4
12	2.8	1:10000 A4	1.6	1:10000 A4	12	2.8	1:10000 A4	1.6	1:10000 A4
14	4.7	1:10000 A4	2.7	1:10000 A4	14	3.5	1:10000 A4	1.7	1:10000 A4
16	6.2	1:10000 A3	3.3	1:10000 A4	16	4.7	1:10000 A4	2.7	1:10000 A4
18	8.5	1:10000 A3	4	1:10000 A4	18	5.1	1:10000 A3	3.2	1:10000 A4
20	9.3	1:10000 A3	4.3	1:10000 A4	20	7.6	1:10000 A3	3.6	1:10000 A4
21E	12.5	1:10000 A3	5.7	1:10000 A4	21E	9.3	1:10000 A3	4	1:10000 A4
21A	9.3	1:10000 A3	4.3	1:10000 A4	21A	7.6	1:10000 A3	3.6	1:10000 A4
21B	6.5	1:10000 A4	3.4	1:10000 A4	21B	4.3	1:10000 A4	3	1:10000 A4
35	9.3	1:10000 A3	4.3	1:10000 A4	35	7.6	1:10000 A3	3.6	1:10000 A4
40	8.5	1:10000 A3	4	1:10000 A4	40	5.1	1:10000 A3	3.2	1:10000 A4
45	8.5	1:10000 A3	4	1:10000 A4	45	5.1	1:10000 A3	3.2	1:10000 A4
50	7.6	1:10000 A3	3.6	1:7500 A4	50	4.2	1:7500 A4	2.8	1:7500 A4
55	7.6	1:10000 A3	3.6	1:7500 A4	55	4.2	1:7500 A4	2.8	1:7500 A4
60	6.2	1:10000 A3	3.3	1:7500 A4	60	3.3	1:7500 A4	2.1	1:7500 A4

65	6.2	1:10000 A3	3.3	1:7500 A4	65	3.3	1:7500 A4	2.1	1:7500 A4
70	4.9	1:10000 A4	2.9	1:7500 A4	70	2.5	1:7500 A4	1.6	1:7500 A4
75	4.9	1:10000 A4	2.9	1:7500 A4	75	2.5	1:7500 A4	1.6	1:7500 A4
80	2.8	1:7500 A4	1.6	1:7500 A4	80	2.1	1:7500 A4	1.4	1:7500 A4
85	2.8	1:7500 A4	1.6	1:7500 A4	85	2.1	1:7500 A4	1.4	1:7500 A4
AVATUD					RAJAD				
03	2.9	1:10000 A3	3.4	1:10000 A4	03	2.9	1:10000 A3	3.3	1:10000 A4
05	5.1	1:10000 A3	5	1:10000 A4	05	5.1	1:10000 A3	5	1:10000 A4
ANR	1.4/2.4	1:5000 A4	1.4/2.3	1:5000 A4	ANR	1.4/2.4	1:5000 A4	1.4/2.3	1:5000 A4

CONTROLPOINT DESCRIPTIONS

Start 1. On both competition days, the competitor receives a loose control description together with the map. The competitor is allowed to take a look at the control description after receiving it. It is **not allowed** to share/compare the control description with other competitors! **It is also not allowed to open the map before the start!** NB! There is no assistant to help with the control description, and everything the competitor needs for attaching the control description, must be taken with.

26.04 for better map readability, on the map, next to the control points circle, only control number is provided. Control code is in the control description, also printed on the map.

Start 2. Control description is on the map, no loose control descriptions will be provided. On the map, next to the control points circle, there is the control number as well as the control code.

GPS AND BIB NUMBERS

The organisers will provide GPS devices for some MN21E competitors to monitor the race in real time. It is the responsibility of the competitor to take the GPS device with them on the course, and if the GPS device is left behind, the competitor's result might be disqualified. GPS devices will be distributed at the start. The names of the GPS carriers can be found on the competitions website.

Link to the GPS tracking will be added to Ilves GP webpage.

Bib numbers are not used on either day.

OPEN COURSE, OPEN MARKED COURSE AND MARKED COURSE (MN8NR, MN10NR)

Open course. It is possible to participate without pre-registration on open courses, which have two different difficulty levels. You can start at your chosen time during the opening hours of the Start 2. Registration can be done on-site at the information desk. The fee for the open course is **10 euros/day**.

If you wish, you can start on the open course 30 minutes before or up to 1 hour after the start time, picking up your map at the information tent!

Open marked course. Parents or instructors can take children to the open rope course, and anyone else who wishes to do so can also participate without restriction. We ask participants accompanied by an adult to register for the open rope course class. You can register for the open rope course either in advance or on site at the information tent, price is **5 euros/day**. You can start the marked course during its opening hours from Start 2. There are no start lists, starting is possible during opening of the marked course start.

Marked course. There is an instructor at the start, and a parent/guardian has the right to guide the child. It is prohibited for parents or guides to go on the course. You can start the marked course during its opening hours from Start 2.

Start 2 is open within 1.5 hours of the start of the race – on April 25 between 14:00–15:30 and on April 26 between 10:30 – 12:00. If you want to start outside of the opening times then contact the information tent!

COMPETITION CENTER

Catering. There will be catering service provided by a local “Forest Catering” team - Veetka Talu.

Parking. Parking is free. Please follow the instructions of the parking attendant while parking. Parking is available in the immediate vicinity of the center.

Washing. There are no washing facilities available at the competition center.

Child care and minicourse. There is supervised childcare at the competition center. Children up to 10 years old can also participate in the mini-course from the childcare area. The course is free and suitable for the youngest family members.

COMPLAINTS

In case of complaints, please contact the Event Director.

PRIZE GIVING

The overall winners of Ilves GP 2026 will be determined by the sum of times from two competition days results. The award ceremony will take place after the second competition day. The number of prizes given depends on the number of participants in the class.

MORE INFO

The organisation of the races will follow the guidelines and requirements for the organisation of sports competitions. This is a public event, where photographs may be taken and filmed and the material recorded may be made public. The protocols of the competition are public and may be used for statistical and historical purposes. The information requested from participants when registering for the competition will be used only for organisational purposes.

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