

12 hours MTB-O Austria

Rules (15. 1. 2013)



1. General Information

The Austrian 12-hour-MTB-O is a cyclical relay race. This race lasts 12 hours. The members of each team always alternate in the same team nomination. They have to race different courses.

2. Team nomination

Three members (from 13 years onward) form one team.

Team conditions: One girl or woman is the minimum and not exceeding two biker from the class 18-44 (year) are in one team.

Teams, that cannot keep to that rule, are given the possibility to start outside competition ("Open Team").

3. Registration of the teams

With the deadline you have to register the name of the team (max. 24 characters long) and the name of the team leader and his mail adress. Until one hour before first start you have to fill out at the event center name, age and SI-numbers of the team bikers. Later changes in composition and sequence of the runners are not allowed.

4. Sequence of runners / start numbers

4.1 The sequence of runners given by registration has to be kept during the whole time of the competition, otherwise the team will be disqualified.

4.2 The start number and the SI chip has to be carried fixed on the bike and is runner-bounded for the hole race

Runner	1. Biker	2. Biker	3. Biker
Start number	*** A	*** B	*** C
Categories	M/W 18-44	M/W 13 -17 or M/W 45-	M/W 18-44

*** stands for the team number, which is assigned by the organiser.

5. Competition form

→ 5.1 Start and race

The first start will take place on Saturday at 11.00 a.m. with start number 1 in turn of rising numbers (interval 2-3 min). All members of a team starts together on different routes. Each biker who finish the first leg, goes immediately on the 2. leg, without punching the finish. The biker is allowed to make a rest or repair the bike between the 2 legs (the time is running in the meantime).

After the two legs /biker the relay will be stopped for the night.

On Sunday at 9 a.m. the "A" – biker starts in an interval of 3 min. according to the placement after the first day. When the A-biker has finished the course, "B" Biker goes on it's course by handshake. Then "C" biker in the same way

The race will be continued until the 12 hours are over (see point 8. and 9.)

→ 5.2 Change of the runners

The change of the runners (on Sunday) takes place by handshake as in every other relay race. The first biker (A) changes over to the second (B) one, the second runner changes over to the third (C) one and again to the first biker (A) ...

The map taking takes place independently at the map output after the change and completing the starting obligation distance.

After biking off each course the map has to be delivered in the finish. Keeping the map entails the disqualification of the team.

→ 5.3 Courses

All courses are in form of a classic O race.

6. Valuation of the individual courses

If a course was not correctly finished (e.g. a mispunch, wrong approach sequence of the punches or other, break against rules), the biker gets the same time as the biker with the longest runningtime on this leg + 15 minutes. The team can go on with the race.

7. Loss of runners

If all 3 bikers of a team have started twice, in case of marking a runner out at the second day the competition can be continued with two bikers.

Each loss has to be announced at the competition administration at the latest with the start of the runner, which completes a course before the loss runner is called to the start line. A marked runner as loss may not start again later.

8. Final finish time

When the leading team has reached the 12 hour limit or the leading team has finished the 15. leg

9. Total valuation

The team with the highest number of courses becomes the winner. If two or more teams reached the same number of courses the intake sequence decides.

10. Controls

The controls correspond to the IOF standard, whereby all control kites are generally provided with SI-station and control tongs

11. Protests

Protests can be submitted in writing at the competition administration until an half hour before the prize giving ceremony. Fee € 20,--

12. Final clause

Deviating regulations of this rule order are given to the participants in the program or until two hours before the start by notice at the information. Hereby all former rule orders are repealed.

The Rules of the Austrian Orienteering Federation are valid.

Leaving paths is in Austria forbidden ! (disqualification)

13. Other rules

13.1 for the "Open Team" applies the rules 1. – 12.

13.2 for die "Single Bikers" applies the rules point 3., 4.2, 6., 10., 11., and 12.. Single bikers are starting on both days after the Teams. They have to master on both days 2 legs according "5.1 – "Saturday". There will be a finish time on both days.