

20th World ARDF Championships 2022

(together with World ARDF Cup 2022)

Borovets, Bulgaria



Bulletin 1/2

8 June 2022

Dear ARDF friends,

Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs (BFRA) is proud to host **the World ARDF Championships 2022**. It will be organized from **28 August to 3 September 2022** in Borovets, well known resort, located 68 km away from Sofia (60 km away from Sofia Airport).

In the days before that event, namely between **24 and 27 August 2022**, another ARDF competition, so-called **World ARDF Cup**, will be held in Borovets, too, but on different terrains.

The accommodation for both events will be organized in **Hotel Samokov**, one of the best hotels in Borovets <https://www.samokov.com/>

BFRA will organize transfer Sofia Airport – Borovets and back. For groups of 4 or more people the price will be **30 EUR** per person.

Accommodation will be in double rooms, but the possibility of a single room is also provided. It also includes Full Board (3 times daily) and use of the indoor pool. The prices **per person in a double room** are as follows:

- a) during World ARDF Championships (28 August – 3 September 2022)

Accommodation in Hotel Samokov		If paid before 5 July (in EUR)	If paid after 5 July (in EUR)
Accommodation, FB, Starting fees, Transportation to start/from finish for the whole event (4 competitions), Excursion, Souvenirs, Banquet	Competitors and Team officials	430	480
Accommodation, FB, Transportation to finish and back for the whole event (4 competitions), Excursion, Souvenirs, Banquet	Guests/Visitors	270	300
Additional payment for single room for the whole event (6 days)	All participants	90	90
Extra day before and after competitions in double room	All participants	50	50
Extra day before and after competitions in single room	All participants	65	65

Several examples, payment before 5 July:

Competitor / official in a double room for 6 days - **430 EUR**

Competitor / official in a single room for 6 days - **520 EUR**

Guest in a double room for 6 days - **270 EUR**

Guest in a single room for 6 days - **360 EUR**

Extra day in a double room - **50 EUR**

Extra day in a single room - **65 EUR**

b) during World ARDF Cup (24 - 27 August 2022)

Accommodation in Hotel Samokov		If paid before 5 July (in EUR)	If paid after 5 July (in EUR)
Accommodation, FB, Starting fees, Transportation to start/from finish for the whole event (4 competitions)	Competitors	240	290
Accommodation, FB, Transportation to finish and back for the whole event (4 competitions)	Guests/Visitors	200	250
Additional payment for single room for the whole event (4 days)	All participants	60	60
Extra day before and after competitions in double room	All participants	50	50
Extra day before and after competitions in single room	All participants	65	65

Hotel Samokov offers many other attractive services (paid), which you can see on the hotel's website.

Pets are not allowed in the hotel!

Participants are **free to organize their own accommodation and meals**. In this case, the prices are as follows:

c) during World ARDF Championships (28 August – 3 September 2022)

Self-accommodation		If paid before 5 July (in EUR)	If paid after 5 July (in EUR)
Starting fees for the whole event (4 starts). includes transportation to start/from finish	Competitors	300	300
Starting fee per competition, includes transportation to start/from finish	Competitors	75	75
Transportation to finish and back for the whole event (4 starts)	Guests/Visitors	30	40
Registration, Participation in team leaders meetings, Transportation to finish and back for the whole event (4 starts), Excursion, Souvenirs, Banquet	Teal officials	90	120
Banquet	All participants	20	20

d) during World ARDF Cup (24 – 27 August 2022)

Self-accommodation		If paid before 5 July (in EUR)	If paid after 5 July (in EUR)
Starting fees for the whole event (4 starts). includes transportation to start/from finish	Competitors	60	70
Starting fee per competition, includes transportation to start/from finish	Competitors	20	30
Transportation to finish and back for the whole event (4 starts)	Officials, Guests/Visitors	20	30

IMPORTANT: The payments must be made to the BFRA account:

Bank: United Bulgarian Bank

Account: BG81UBBS80021413582613 (in EUR)

BIC: UBBSBGSF

Beneficiary: Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs

Preliminary program:

a) World ARDF Championships 2022

28 August, Saturday - Arrival, Accommodation, Official opening, Team leaders meeting, International Jury meeting

29 August, Monday - Sprint, Awarding

30 August, Tuesday - Classic 1, Awarding

31 August, Wednesday – Free day, Excursion

1 September, Thursday – Classic 2, Awarding

2 September, Friday – Foxoring, Awarding, Closing ceremony, Banquet

3 September, Saturday – Departure

Categories: M19, M21, M40, M50, M60, M70, W19, W21, W35, W45, W55, W65, maximum 3 competitors per team per category per competition

Ranking: Individual ranking for each category, for each competition. Team ranking for each category only for the classics competition

Awards: Medals and Certificates

b) World ARDF Cup 2022

24 August, Wednesday – Arrival till 14:00, Accommodation, Late afternoon – Sprint

25 August, Friday – Foxoring, Awarding Sprint and Foxoring

26 August, Saturday – Classic 1, Awarding

27 August, Sunday – Classic 2, Awarding

28 August, Monday – Departure / Arrival for World Championships

Categories: M19, M21, M40, M50, M60, M70, W19, W21, W35, W45, W55, W65, unlimited number participants from each team/country

Ranking: Only Individual ranking for each category, for each competition

Awards: Medals and Certificates

Transmitters and antennas:

Frequency allocations for 3.5 MHz competitions:

frequency/competition	classic	sprint	foxoring
3530 kHz		TX 1...5	TX 1, 1F, 2, 2F
3550 kHz	TX 1...5	Spectator (S)	TX 3, 3F, 4, 4F
3570 kHz		TX 1F ... 5F	TX 5, 5F
3600 kHz	beacon	beacon	beacon

Frequency allocations for 144 MHz competition:

144.500 MHz TX 1...5

144.900 MHz Beacon

Output RF Powers:

3.5 MHz Classic TX 1...5 and Beacon 5 W;

3.5 MHz Foxoring 50 mW;

3.5 MHz Sprint 1W;

144 MHz TX 1...5 and Beacon 1 W.

Antennas:

3.5 MHz Classic and Sprint – 6 m vertical and 3 counterpoises each 2.5 m;
3.5 MHz Foxoring vertical 30 cm and vertical counterpoise 30 cm;

144 MHz – Crossed Dipole, horizontal, 2.5 m above the terrain.

Description of the marking devices:

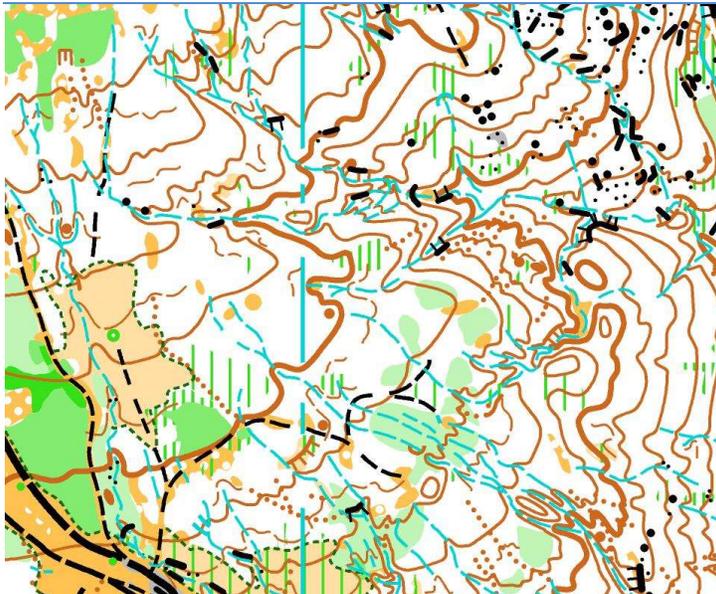
SportIdent classic system will be used.

Information about terrains/maps:

Terrain information and map samples are presented below. All maps have been reambulated in 2022. Each map is large enough so that individual sections of it can be used for a separate competition.

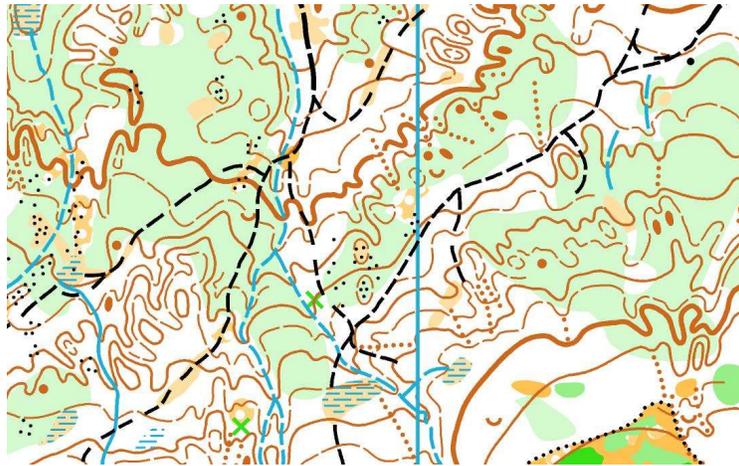
RELIOVO

Terrain form	Moderately steep to steep hills. Terrain with micro contours and some stones.
Vegetation	Coniferous forest and open lands.
Runability and visibility	Mostly excellent. Limited in the areas of young pine plantations
Roads and paths	Good network of paths and roads



GOVEDARTSI

Terrain form	Flat to moderately steep slope.
Vegetation	Pine forest
Runability and visibility	Mostly good, but reduced in some places with denser vegetation.
Roads and paths	Good network of paths and roads



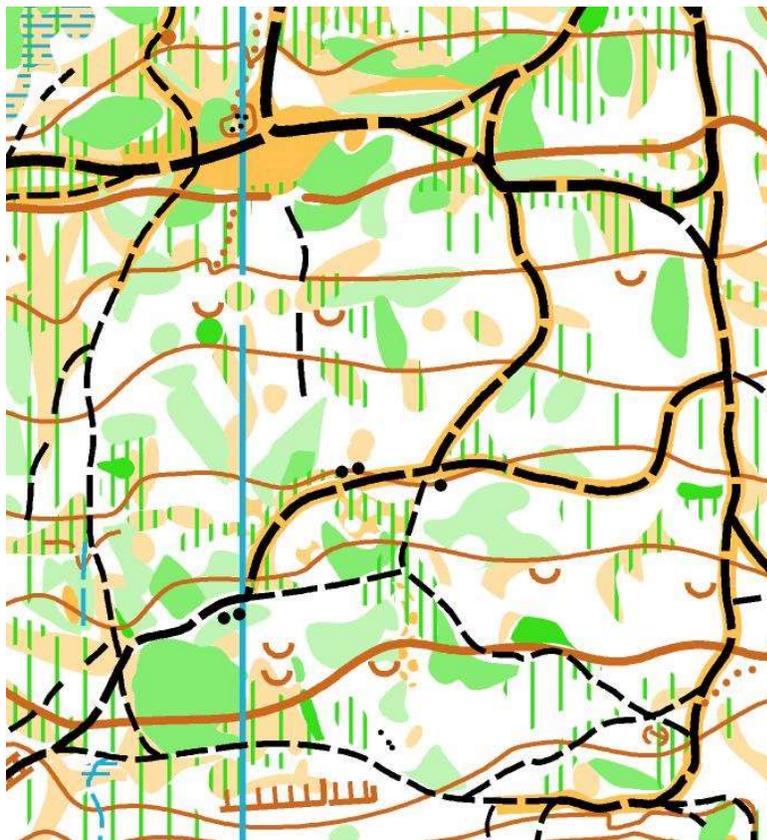
MALIOVITSA

Terrain form	Moderately hilly terrain between 1300 m and 1750 m above sea level
Vegetation	Pine forest
Runnability	From very good to poor – (reduced by denser vegetation and stony fields)
Visibility	Excellent to very low
Roads and paths	Some paths, tracks and roads



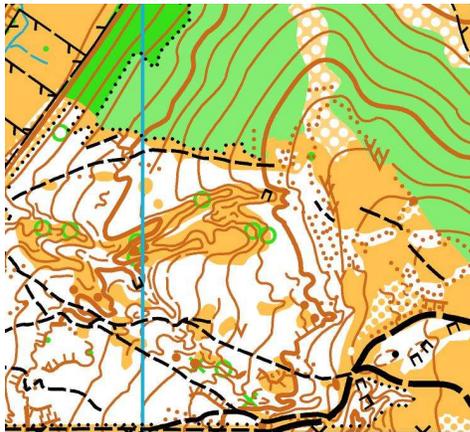
BOROVETS

Terrain form	Moderately hilly terrain in the nearest forest to Borovets resort; About 1300 meters above sea level
Vegetation	Pine forest
Runability and visibility	From good to very good
Roads and paths	Very good network of alpine ski and cross-country ski tracks and paths.



RIDO

Terrain form	Moderately steep terrain.
Vegetation	Mainly spruce forest with some open areas and some thickets.
Runability and visibility	Mostly very good, but reduced in some places with denser vegetation.
Roads and paths	Very good network of paths and roads



Forbidden areas:

Starting from 8 June 2022 the following areas are declared forbidden for visits:

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1xEQnbYUwhLLfOqS-nIA8f5Yuzx21WaxJ&ll=42.30094648130875%2C23.498213549999985&z=11>

Weather in Borovets:

The climate in Borovets at the end of August / beginning of September is characterized by clear weather, relatively little or no precipitation and temperatures at night 10-12 degrees C and during the day 21-23 degrees C.

Visa requirement:

The citizens of the majority countries, expected to take part in the World ARDF Championships / World ARDF Cup, **do not need visa** to enter Bulgaria. Schengen visa is valid for Bulgaria. Participants from few countries (Belarus, China, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Russia) require visa. Please check for your country in: <https://mfa.bg/en/services-travel/consular-services/travel-bulgaria/visa-bulgaria>

Covid-19 Restrictions:

As of May 1, 2022, **no documents related to Covid-19 are required** upon entry into Bulgaria. During the stay in Bulgaria **there are no restrictions**.

Letter of Intent:

LETTER OF INTENT

We:

(Full name of the society)

(Official abbreviation)

intend to take part in the ARDF events in Borovets, Bulgaria as follows:

a) World ARDF Championships (28 August – 3 September 2022). Our delegation will consist of:

1. Number of competitors:
2. Number of officials:
3. Number of guests/visitors:

TOTAL NUMBER of participants in this event (1+2+3):

b) World ARDF Cup (24 – 27 August 2022). Our delegation will consist of:

4. Number of competitors:
5. Number of officials:
6. Number of guests/visitors:

TOTAL NUMBER of participants in this event (4+5+6):

Contact person regarding **World ARDF Championships 2022** (responsible for the correspondence with BFRA):

Name and Family Name, Callsign:

Telephone number (including country and area codes):

E-mail:

On behalf of the society:

Date:

(Name and Family name, Position in the society)

Please fulfill this Letter of Intent and send it back to **22 June 2022** to bfra_hq@hotmail.com with a copy to Iz3nn@abv.bg

More information will be spread in Bulletin 3.

If you have any additional questions, please, do not hesitate to ask by mail to Iz3nn@abv.bg

We are looking forward to meeting you in Borovets.

Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs