



COMPETITION RULES

SALOMON ZUGSPITZ ULTRATRAIL powered by LEDLENSER 2024

1. TYPE OF EVENT / CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

What is the SALOMON ZUGSPITZ ULTRATRAIL powered by LEDLENSER, who is allowed to take part and what can you expect?

All distances include sections in the high mountains. That's why this event is only suitable for people who have experience of running in this kind of terrain. Running those mentioned distances in high alpine terrain is tough. Really tough. If you haven't trained enough to complete the longest distance we recommend you start off with one of the shorter courses.

Mountains + vertigo = problems. Competitors must be absolutely sure-footed even on narrow and twisting alpine trails. The courses may also include short sections where you will have to hold onto a rope for safety. And, of course, it is essential that you know how to act in case of emergency.

Each participant must have a well-developed ability to orient oneself in the terrain, even in poor weather and visibility conditions, as well as orientation using topographical maps (maps will be provided by the organizer on the Internet).

Basically, everyone is a single starter and must be at least 18 years old. No matter which distance (ULTRATRAIL, EHRWALD TRAIL, LEUTASCH TRAIL, MITTENWALD TRAIL, GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN TRAIL and GRAINAU TRAIL) has been chosen.

Exception: With parental consent it is also possible to start from the age of 16 on the following 2 distances: GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN TRAIL and GRAINAU TRAIL.

With a declaration of consent and accompanied by a parent, a start from 14 years is also possible at the following distance: GRAINAU TRAIL.

The points listed here are not designed to be exhaustive. Instead, they serve merely as examples and indications of what awaits competitors.

2. SELF-RELIANCE

Even if things are busy at the start line, running in the mountains can be a lonely experience. Competitors must be self-reliant throughout the race. That means all runners must be able to orientate themselves without external support. And, of course, it is essential that you always have enough food and drink with you.

3. COURSE

There is no guarantee that the weather will be good. Therefore, if the weather gods are not smiling on us and we are unable to ensure the safety of the competitors we may be forced to change sections of the courses at short notice. For all news please visit www.zugspitz-ultratrail.com.

4. CLASSIFICATION CATEGORIES

There will be six classification categories:

- MEN and WOMEN
- MASTER MEN and MASTER WOMEN (40 years and over)
- SENIOR MASTER MEN and SENIOR MASTER WOMEN (50 years and over)

A competitor's age is defined as his/her age on the start day of the event. If there are fewer than 15 runners signed up for a category, these competitors will be classified together with another category.

5. START NUMBER

You will receive your start number, which is unique to you and cannot be transferred to other people, at the registration desk. Please bring along a signed copy of our declaration of liability (can be downloaded when registering to take part) and your passport/driver license. Your race number must be worn visibly at all times during the race and must not be taken off.

6. ELECTRONIC TIMING

Your start number contains an electronic transponder chip which will record your time. If this chip does not work or becomes lost, please immediately inform a member of staff at one of the checkpoints and the Race Office.



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7. CLOTHING / EQUIPMENT

Weather conditions can change quickly in the high mountains. Therefore, all competitors must wear or carry in their running rucksack the following clothing and equipment. We will carry out checks on the start line and at the control points. Competitors who do not have all of the items listed below may be subject to time penalties or disqualification.

The following equipment list is the mandatory equipment for the Zugspitz Ultratrail (longest distance).

The partially deviating mandatory equipment for the shorter distances can be found at <https://zugspitz-ultratrail.com> under the tab: THE RACES, at the respective course length.

- **Closed trailrunning shoes** with plenty of grip on the sole
- **Running backpack**
- **Waterproof jacket with at least 10.000mm Water resistance** (does not replace the warm extra clothing)
- **Warm extra clothing** (long sleeved shirt or extra shirt with arm warmers and running pants or leg warmers), no skin should be visible when wearing these layers
- **gloves** and **hat**
- Working **headlamp** with spare batteries or spare headlamp (no powerbank)
- **Labeling** of your food supplies with your start number
- **Foldable cup** to take drinks and food at the refreshment stations and in the finish area
- **Water container** with a volume of at least **1.5 litres**
- **Emergency kit** (1x compress 10x10cm, 2x bandages, 2x gloves, 1x triangular bandage, 4x plasters, emergency whistle, blister plasters, survival blanket)
- **Navigation watch** with saved GPS track of the selected route or alternatively **route maps** in printed version. Maps are provided by the organizer online for printing or handed out with the starter package.
- **Mobile phone** with Medical Crew Number saved in its address book to be able to make emergency calls (it must be made sure that the phone can make calls from abroad as well)

Don't forget to also bring sun cream, oil-based skin cream to combat chafing, a pair of sunglasses, poles and plenty to eat and drink.

8. BRIEFINGS / START

The **course briefing will take place online** (here all special features of the course will be communicated). Each participant will receive the link to the briefing together with the latest information by mail about 1 week before the start. **This briefing must be viewed and confirmed. Only then will the start number be handed out at registration.**

On the day of the race, the starting line-up will begin 45 minutes before the official starting time. 15 minutes before the starting signal there will be the last news in the starting area.

9. NEUTRALISED START

In case of a neutralised start, runners are not permitted to overtake the lead vehicle during this time.

10. COURSE SIGNPOSTING

We will make sure you find your way along the course. The route will be signposted by our experienced team using chalk spray, signs, barrier tape, flags, etc. Please be aware that other runners may knock off these markings, disappear or be hard to see in darkness or snowfall. Once the time cut-off has passed the course is closed to all runners.

11. CHECKPOINTS AND FOOD STATIONS

a) ULTRATRAIL:	10 Kontroll- und Verpflegungsstellen
b) EHRWALD TRAIL:	8 Kontroll- und Verpflegungsstellen
c) LEUTASCH TRAIL:	6 Kontroll- und Verpflegungsstellen
d) MITTENWALD TRAIL:	4 Kontroll- und Verpflegungsstellen
e) GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN TRAIL:	3 Kontroll- und Verpflegungsstellen
f) GRAINAU TRAIL:	1 Kontroll- und Verpflegungsstelle

Refreshment points: Drinks and fruit are available at each aid station, and hot food and hot drinks are also available at selected stations. The exact location of the aid station can be found on the respective course map and is numbered consecutively.

Checkpoints: At the checkpoints, everyone will be scanned in the order they arrive. Anyone who does not pass a checkpoint and later arrives at the finish line anyway (e.g. because of shortcuts or running off course) will be disqualified.

MEDICAL CHECK – triage:

Competitors are obliged to pass through the medical checkpoints (triage) at refreshment stations V5 and V8. The instructions given by the medical staff there must be followed at all times. If competitors show signs of physical or mental anomalies they may be asked to undergo a medical check. This may also include suggestions and tips for the rest of the race.



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12. TIME CUT-OFFS / FINISH

Details on the time cut-offs can be found on the website. Please be aware that the organisers reserve the right to change the time cut-offs. People who have the right to remove competitors from the race are: the race director, course director, members of staff at the checkpoints and refreshment stations, the medical crew and the officials trailing the field.

13. WITHDRAWING FROM THE RACE

What should you do if, for whatever reason, you are forced to withdraw from the race? Inform the Medical Crew immediately by calling **+49 151 550 101 48**. If you fail to do this it may result in an expensive and complicated search mission being launched to find you. You will have to bear the costs of any such search mission. Please be aware that runners who have withdrawn from the race are not automatically entitled to a transfer.

14. TIME PENALTIES AND DISQUALIFICATION

Nobody in a trailrunning race wants to get handed a time penalty of between 5 and 5 und 120 minutes, or even be disqualified. It's not a nice thing, especially as in such cases your start fee will not be refunded. All you have to do to avoid this happening is make sure you pay attention to a few simple points.

Basically, most of it is common sense. Don't take part in the race if you're not physically fit enough and, of course, don't dope. Adhere to all the ZUT rules, meet the requirements listed in point 1 of these competition rules, follow the instructions given by race staff, respect the rules on public roads, make sure you have all your essential equipment with you at all times and comply with all checks. On top of that, make sure you keep the environment clean, help each other in emergency situations, don't take any short-cuts, make sure you pass through all the checkpoints, wear your start number in a clearly visible position at all times and don't tamper with it. Last but not least, be fair and friendly to staff, race organisers and your fellow competitors.

15. MEDICAL EMERGENCIES (MEDICAL CREW)

Start/finish area: Your health is our number one priority. An hour before the official start time and an hour after the last runner reaches the finish area there will be a MEDICAL CREW on-site. Please use their services if you need to. Important! Please make sure you get there in plenty of time – things can get pretty busy. Competitors who fail to visit the MEDICAL CREW early enough will not have a right to medical treatment.

During the race: Safety first is the name of the game. That's why members of our MEDICAL CREW and/or public ambulance crews will remain at points along the course until the last runner has passed. If you get into trouble, call the medical info hotline or ask another competitor to do so for you. If things are acute, ask another competitor to provide first aid. Remember: every runner is obliged to help other runners in this way. Don't worry about losing time – any delay incurred as the result of helping another runner in a medical emergency will be deducted from your time at the finish.

In a natural environment there are often unpredictable circumstances which make it difficult or impossible to provide immediate medical assistance. This is where you, your own responsibility and your self-discipline come in. Please abandon the race too early rather than too late – if possible at a checkpoint or refreshment station. If you have recently passed one and are then forced to abandon, please turn around and go back to it. Be sensible. The members of our MEDICAL CREW have the right to withdraw competitors from the race at any time if they believe the runner will not be able to complete the race or will seriously jeopardise his/her health and/or the safety of the course team or MEDICAL CREW by doing so.

Which other powers does the MEDICAL CREW have? They can carry out medical examinations and check if competitors have all the necessary safety equipment. They can transport competitors off the course using the appropriate means of transport and take them either directly or with the help of the local ambulance service to the nearest hospital if this is necessary. Please be aware that competitors must cover the costs of all rescue services apart from those carried out by the MEDICAL CREW.

MEDICAL INFO HOTLINE: +49 151 550 101 48
EUROPEAN EMERGENCY NUMBER 112

The medical info hotline can be found on the course maps and on the back of your start number. If you are unable to get through to the medical info hotline, please call the European emergency number 112 without delay.

16. DOPING

Any runner found to have doped will be immediately disqualified. Medical procedures not permitted include intravenous infusions (without a Therapeutic Use Exemption), even in cases of stress-induced dehydration. Working on the basis of the WADA (World Anti Doping Agency) rules, the race doctor will decide whether or not individual medical treatments are justified. Doping controls may be carried out at any time.



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17. EXTERNAL HELP

Outside help (from spectators, coaches or other participants) is generally not allowed! This also means that it is forbidden to accept drinks or food from helpers on the course. Exceptions:

1. at the official aid stations you are allowed to accept food and/or drinks from helpers. Attention. Please note point 19!
2. in case of falls, injuries or other emergency situations you are allowed to accept help at any time (in the form of food, drinks and/or replacement clothing).

18. PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT / NATURE

Trailrunners respect the environment. Therefore, please throw away any rubbish only at the refreshment stations and under no circumstances damage or pollute the natural surroundings on purpose.

19. THE ZUGSPITZ ULTRATRAIL RULES

The SALOMON ZUGSPITZ ULTRATRAIL powered by LEDLENSER takes place on tarmac roads, forest roads, walking paths and alpine trails which are not closed to the public.

- Competitors must always adhere to the rules of the road in the respective country. All competitors must follow instructions given by the police and the course marshals.
- Please be aware that away from the marked course there is serious danger of falling. That is why short-cuts (including "cutting" switchback corners, etc.) and alternative routes are strictly forbidden. Competitors take part in the event at their own risk.
- At unclear or dangerous points on the course, please proceed with the appropriate caution. The organiser is entitled to take additional measures in order to secure dangerous sections. However, the organiser is not obliged to do so.
- It is forbidden for competitors to receive assistance from a member of their support team who is in a vehicle or on a bicycle. Any disturbance caused to the race as the result of accompanying vehicles of any kind may result in the competitor who is receiving support being given a time penalty or being disqualified from the race. Any accompanying vehicles found to be on sections of the course closed to public vehicles will automatically lead to the disqualification of the competitor receiving support.
- For environmental reasons, members of support teams assisting individual competitors are strictly forbidden from polluting or damaging the natural surroundings. This includes any form of spraying or painting along the course. Any such action will result in the immediate disqualification of the competitor who was the recipient or the intended recipient of this support.
- Any competitor who disposes of food wrappers, bottles, cups, etc. by throwing them away in nature instead of at the refreshment stations will be disqualified.
- Competitors who begin the race with poles must keep them with them all the way through to the finish. Vice versa, competitors who begin the race without poles are not allowed to be given poles along the course during the race.
- All competitors must behave in a considerate, sporting and fair manner.

20. PROTESTS AND JUDGES

Every competitor has the right to lodge a complaint and name witnesses at the Race Office in the finish area if they believe another competitor has breached the race rules or if they are not willing to accept a decision made by the race director. Such protests must be made no more than one hour after finishing the race. A panel of judges will deal with the protest within 24 hours. All named witnesses must appear in person. There is a protest fee of EUR 100. This protest fee will be retained by the event organiser if the protest is rejected. The infractions listed above leading to time penalties or disqualification are just an example of some of the rule violations which may be punished by the race organiser.

21. CANCELLATION OF PARTICIPATION BY RACE ORGANISER

Up until the official end of the event, the race organiser reserves the right to cancel a competitor's participation, in line with the legal provisions set out in Articles 324, 241 Paragraph 2 of the German Civil Code. Any such cancellation shall be carried out according to the provisions set out in Article 346 of the German Civil Code.

The race management and organising team reserves the right to make changes to these competition rules.



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