



Lakeventure SFT Pump Foil World Cup Traunsee 2026

Traunsee, Austria

04 Training day & registration /05-06 Competition days. September 2026

It is a pleasure to announce the 8th stop of the SFT WORLD TOUR 2026 which will be held in Lake Traunsee in Ebensee, Austria.

The dates will be 4th, 5th and 6th of September 2026.

This is a SFT World Tour event.

The UPPER AUSTRIA SFT Pumpfoil World Cup Traunsee 2026 will take place as part of LAKEVENTURE TRAUNSEE, which is celebrating its 2nd edition this 2026, and last year we enjoyed some of the world's best pumpfoil setup area and conditions for this sport! The event venue is the Rindbach Recreation Area in Ebensee.

Registration

Entry procedure and Registration

All competitors planning to enter a SFT World Tour event shall register through the link on the respective event page on the SFT World Tour website or under the following direct link:

<https://app.surffoilworldtour.com/>

or via email to carlos@surffoilworldtour.com or by other means to be specified by the SFT Sports Commission, no later than the published closing date for entries for that specific event.

The registration period and payment deadline will close on 4 September 2026.

Late registration can be accepted but will result in an additional late-entry fee of 20.- EUR more (total entry fee 60.- EUR).

Entry restrictions

The entry-fee for this event is 80.- EUR and a SFT membership (one event 20.- EUR or full year membership 40.- EUR) will be required.

Payments must be made via credit card. For certain exceptions, late payments can be made in cash at the inscription at the respective event. Cash-payments will only be accepted in Euros or USD currency. In this case an amount of 30,- EUR processing fee will be added to the regular entry-fee.

In the case that the full amount of the inscription fee is not paid by the end of the announced inscription-time, the rider will not be allowed to compete.

Payment Links

SFT Austria Pump Foil Entry Fee (80 Euro): <https://buy.stripe.com/8x214o2O9fzWb1l5PL5EY1N>

SFT One event membership fee (20 Euro): <https://buy.stripe.com/28o6rw8HS6KOawo15t>

SFT Full Year membership fee (40 Euro): <https://buy.stripe.com/9AQaHM4rCglodlAeWk>

Eligibility

A competitor is eligible for any SFT event if he meets the following conditions:

- He has a personal medical insurance with worldwide coverage. A valid membership card or certificate, or other satisfactory evidence of worldwide medical coverage may be requested.
- The competitor cannot hold the SFT, the GKA Event Gmbh, Deep Ocean Consulting Ltd or the event-organizer responsible for any claims for damages as a consequence of the competitor not having sufficient personal medical insurance.
- The competitor cannot hold the SFT, the GKA Event Gmbh, Deep Ocean Consulting or the event-organizer responsible for any legal liabilities and/or any claims for damages by third parties caused by the competitor.
- He holds a valid competitor's membership with the SFT World Tour.

Entry allocation

There is an unlimited number of entries per division for this SFT Pump Foil World Cup.

Disciplines

There will be only one official discipline in this SFT World Tour event. We will have an “Open” comp and a “Pro” comp (both divisions will be defined in the time trials). Best amateurs in the open division (number to be determined) will get wild cards to the pro division. Pro division will feature the 12 to 16 best riders (number to be determined). Awards Categories: Pro Men / Pro Women / Open Men / Open Women / Youth (under 19) and Masters (40 and above).

Pump Foil

Divisions:

- Pro Men (minimum 14 years old in the year of competition)
- Pro Women (minimum 14 years old in the year of competition)
- Open Men
- Open Women

Categories:

- Pro Men, Pro Women
- Open Men, Open Women
- Youth (under 19)
- Master (over 40)

Wake foiling show

Outside of the official competition we will be performing a Wake foiling show on both Saturday and Sunday. Pump foilers will be able to try and learn this amazing new discipline alongside invited specialists. Details will be given in the SFT registration office, and in the riders/skippers meeting.

Event Seeding

The seeding for this SFT Pump Foil World Cup will be based on the current SFT Pump Foil Ranking for the time trials. All competitors without ranking will be seeded by draw.

Important Info

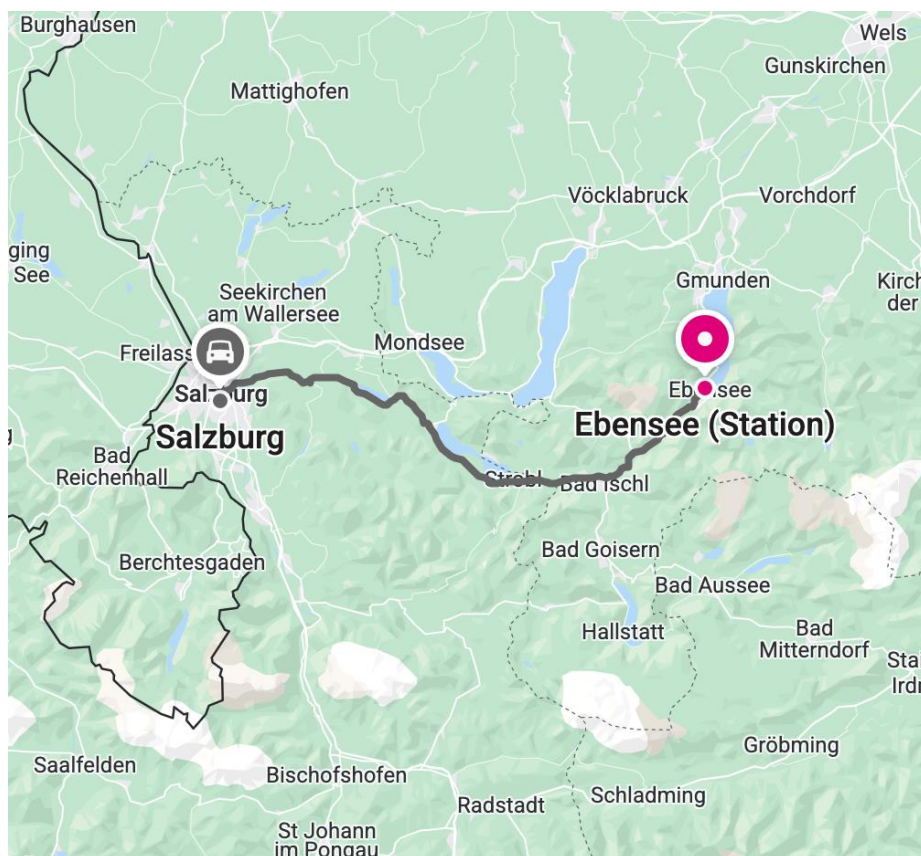
- All riders need to wear a helmet during competition!
- Competitors have to wear the official vest/lycra at all times when proceeding to the water – also during training.
- Each rider will get one competition rider’s vest at the registration. Each rider is responsible for his competition riders’ vest. In case of loss, no replacement is possible.
- Competitors shall wear the event advertising vest/lycra supplied by the Event Organizer over all other clothing on the water at all times during the event and one SFT board sticker to be placed on the top and on the bottom of the board.
- All competitors are required to abide by the advertising rules as laid out in the Rule Book. Competitors breaching these rules may be warned in writing for the first offence and may incur a fine at the second offence of not more than EUR 500 for each violation.
- All rider meetings and opening/closing ceremonies in the schedule are mandatory to all riders. Please be on time and ready.
- Riders are not permitted to publicly associate their names in non-authorized parties/autograph sessions.

- There will be a social event-calendar for each side event that all riders must join via social media and share.

Membership

- Every competitor needs to hold a valid SFT membership. The duration of SFT membership is from the first to the last event of the SFT season.
- Membership fees shall be determined by the SFT at the start of the year and may be changed at any notice during the year.
- Competitors are not fully covered by SFT membership. They must still prove that they have accident insurance and a civil liability. There may be a request for medical certificate.
- At the end of the inscription-time, the rider must be able to prove a valid SFT membership. Payments must be made via credit card. For certain exceptions, late payments can be made in cash at the inscription at the respective event. Cash-payments will only be accepted in Euros or USD currency.
- The cost of the SFT membership for this one event is 20.- EUR. Competitors competing for the whole year are advised to pay the standard 40 € per year to cover you for all remaining events in 2026.

Travel info



The closest international airports to fly to are: Salzburg Airport (IATA: SZG, ICAO: LOWS), Vienna (IATA: VIE, ICAO: LOWW), Linz Airport (German: Flughafen Linz, IATA: LNZ, ICAO: LOWL) and Munich (MUC).

There are multiple buses and trains you can catch from Salzburg to Ebensee. From Vienna and Munich you can rent a car, or take the train or bus easily.

- The drive from Salzburg Airport to Lake Traunsee in Ebensee is about 1 hour / 70 km.
- The drive from Vienna is 250 km.

- The drive from Munich is 215 km.

By Car

From Salzburg or Linz: take the A1 Westautobahn to the Regau exit → continue on the B145 toward Gmunden → follow the road south along Lake Traunsee to Ebensee → exit at Ebensee Mitte → continue via Rindbachstraße – Jocher Wiese – Strandbadstraße.

From Bad Ischl: take the B145 toward Gmunden/Ebensee → exit at Rindbach → continue via Alte Traunstraße – Strandbadstraße.

By Public Transport

Take the train to Ebensee-Landungsplatz station (direct connection available from Salzburg, Linz, or Vienna via Attnang-Puchheim).

Parking

- There is sufficient public parking available at the event venue.
- Please note that these spaces are paid parking from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.
- Fee: €1.50 per hour or €12.00 for a full-day ticket.
- Card payment is available.
- Make sure to purchase a parking ticket – checks are carried out regularly and fines will be issued for violations.

Travel documents and Visa

If an invitation letter is needed for riders, please email carlos@surffoilworldtour.com and he will issue you the document.

The event address

Location:

Strandbadstraße 56, 4802 Ebensee, Austria

Event site: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/41uK9psxFoGGPc9K8>

Organiser Contact:

Ulrike Linko

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Directions



Event area



Accommodation for competitors

Links to Hotels:

Hotel bookings / availability in the region: <https://traunsee-almтал.salzkammergut.at/unterkuenfte-buchen-mehr/unterkuenfte>

Hotel Recommendations – Ebensee:

<https://www.pension-ahamer.at/>

<https://www.hotel-post-ebensee.at/>

<https://www.schlafmeile-traunsee.at/>

Apartments:

<https://salzkammergutlodge.at/apartments/ebensee/>

Activities:

<https://www.theriverwave.com/>

<https://www.feuerkogel.info/de>

Camping

- Right next to the event area, there is a designated camper van parking lot (approx. 30 spaces).
- Important: No prior reservation possible – spots are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Fee: €30 per 24h ticket.
- No tent camping allowed.
- Payment must be made at the parking machine on site (coins or card accepted).
- If the lot is full, an alternative motorhome parking area is available nearby at Trauneck.
- Please note: Parking camper vans in the public parking lot is strictly prohibited and will be fined.

More info:

- Rindbach: Stellplatz Freizeitanlage Rindbach
- Trauneck: Stellplatz Trauneck

Equipment storage

On site, there will be a large event tent with gear storage, camper van spots, extensive public parking, a snack bar and restrooms.

Weather

September Weather – Ebensee, Austria

At the beginning of September, daytime temperatures typically range from 20 to 23 °C, while nighttime lows are around 10 to 13 °C. The weather is generally mild and pleasant, with cool mornings and evenings. Short rain showers are possible due to the alpine location, but sunny and dry conditions are common. The water temperature in Lake Traunsee averages around 18–19 °C and can reach 20–21 °C after warm late-summer weather. Sunrise is at approximately 6:30 AM, with sunset around 7:30 PM.

Event Schedule

Friday 4th September 2026

- Set up and warm up training day
- 17.00–20.00 registration / riders check-in (tent location – event area)

Saturday 5th September 2026

- 8.00–8.30 registration / riders check-in
- 9.00 riders briefing
- 9.30 start Pump Foil Time Trials
- 11.00 start Elimination Series
- Wake Foil Show depending on weather conditions

Sunday 6th September 2026

- 08.30 briefing
- 09.00 competition start – Finals Day
- 17.00 Official Awards Ceremony
- Wake Foil Show depending on weather conditions

Equipment

- Only hydrofoils are eligible for use in competition. There are not any restrictions on the size, length and width of the quiver.
- There are no restrictions on dimensions or constructions of the boards.
- Foot-straps, pads and wax are allowed.
- No propulsion assisted devices are allowed for the pump foil competition.
- The use of a helmet is mandatory.

Prize money

1. General Structure

The total prize pool is always fully distributed. The distribution method depends on the number of registered participants in each division.

Two distribution models exist:

- **Model 1 (Standard):** Applied when at least one division has more than 10 riders.
- **Model 2 (Simplified):** Applied when **both** divisions have 10 or fewer riders.

2. Model 1 – At least one division has more than 10 riders

The total prize pool is divided into two funds:

- **Fund A (80% of the total):** Reserved for the Top 3 finishers (1st, 2nd, 3rd) in both divisions. This fund is always fully distributed.
- **Fund B (20% of the total):** Reserved for 4th, 5th and 6th place finishers. This fund is conditional.

2.1. Top 3 Distribution (Fund A)

Fund A is split equally between the Men's and Women's divisions. Each division receives 40% of the total prize pool.

Within each division, the 40% is distributed as follows:

- 1st place: 50%
- 2nd place: 30%
- 3rd place: 20%

These three positions are always paid, regardless of the number of participants in each division.

2.2. Extended Distribution (Fund B)

Fund B is distributed **only** in divisions that have more than 10 registered riders. If a division has 10 or fewer riders, it receives nothing from Fund B.

- If only one division has more than 10 riders, that division receives the entire Fund B.
- If both divisions have more than 10 riders, Fund B is split equally between them.

Within the qualifying division(s), Fund B is distributed as follows:

- 4th place: 37%
- 5th place: 33%
- 6th place: 30%

Note: These percentages ensure that 3rd place always earns more than 4th place.

3. Model 2 – Both divisions have 10 or fewer riders

When **neither** division exceeds 10 participants, the 80%/20% split is **not used**.

Instead, the **full prize pool** is divided equally between the Men's and Women's divisions (50% each). Within each division, the money is distributed as follows:

- 1st place: 50% of that division's share
- 2nd place: 30% of that division's share
- 3rd place: 20% of that division's share

No prizes are awarded for 4th, 5th or 6th place in either division.

4. Summary of Scenarios

Scenario	Men's Division	Women's Division	Distribution Model	Payout Positions (Men)	Payout Positions (Women)
A	More than 10	More than 10	Model 1 (80/20 split equally)	1st to 6th	1st to 6th
B	More than 10	10 or fewer	Model 1 (20% goes entirely to Men)	1st to 6th	1st to 3rd only
C	10 or fewer	More than 10	Model 1 (20% goes entirely to Women)	1st to 3rd only	1st to 6th
D	10 or fewer	10 or fewer	Model 2 (Simplified – full 50/50 split)	1st to 3rd only	1st to 3rd only

5. Rationale

- **Model 1** rewards divisions where higher participation makes it significantly harder to reach the top positions. It compensates depth of competition.
- **Model 2** ensures that when participation is low in both divisions, the prize money remains substantial for the podium finishers, providing strong incentives for the top riders without diluting the pot across positions that do not exist or are less meaningful.

In all cases, the total prize pool is always fully distributed, and the hierarchy is preserved: **3rd place always earns more than 4th place**.

SFT World Tour

As a competitor, I agree to respect the racing rules and in particular:

- to display visibly the competitor-number attributed to me.
- to always wear the official event-competition-lycra when proceeding to the water (also during training) as well as during interviews, official presentations and on podium.
- to wear a safety helmet during the competition.

- to follow the recommendations and/or instructions provided by the crew.
- to place board stickers (SFT Wingfoil World Tour & Event sponsor) on the top and on the bottom of the board at all times during the event (competitions, interviews, media conferences, award ceremony...).
- to take note that all rider meetings, opening/closing ceremonies and media conferences requested by the Event Organizer are mandatory to all riders. I assure that I'll be on time and ready.

I'm aware that a non-observance of this rule will incur a fine of up to 500 EUR. Any competitor finishing in the top 3 positions who fails to attend the awards ceremony on time (without being justified by a force of major circumstance) will incur a fine equal to their earned prize money for the event. Furthermore, fine can incur an additional penalty of up to 1.000 EUR and suspension for the next event.

Pump Foil competition

Format

The Austria SFT Pump Foil Competition 2026 will consist of various distinctive courses, designed to test different aspects of foiling skills. There will be 2 days of competition: Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th September 2026.

Time Trials – Qualification Series

Day 1 on Saturday 5th September we will run the time trials, for both amateur and pro, that count as qualification and seeding for the elimination series on the same day. If a competitor is missing the time trial race, the athlete can still compete for the elimination series, but will be entering the first elimination race with a seeding lower than those who have participated in the time trials.

Elimination Series

On both Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th September we will run elimination series. The elimination series will run one or multiple races. If multiple races are run, then the results of each race count together towards the event ranking. One race is run in an elimination ladder format, where each heat has 2-4 athletes competing against each other at the same time on the course and the best 1 or 2 athletes advance into the next round until the final of the race.

Race Course

This image is a reference of the base-layout where the different tracks will be decided. Slight changes might be applied



Saturday 5th September. Time Trials – Sprint race (individual race format) and elimination series (group race format).

We may add some other courses based on weather or logistics. All this info will be communicated at the riders briefing

- Only one competitor in the course at the same time.
- Courses are symmetrical and can be completed by turning around the buoys either left or right side, but in the same order, depending on competitors preference.
- Time is measured that the competitor takes to complete the course.
- Time starts when competitor starts from the starting dock and crosses the finish line.
- Each competitor has up to 4 attempts (before reaching the closest buoy) to get a course full run when starting from the start dock, if one full run of the course is achieved for the 2nd run the competitor will have only 1 attempt (unless stated differently in the riders briefing).
- When competitor is crashing after the first buoy, the athletes can restart once per course.
- Every competitor can lock in two timed runs, the best single time counts.
- Competitors who do not finish the course of the time trial, will be ranked according to their distance they completed on the course.

Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th September – Elimination series (group race format).

Final courses will be decided by the competition director depending on location and weather conditions and communicated latest at the riders briefing. The minimum number of elimination races is one. Multiple number of elimination races can be run depending on time and weather conditions.

- 2-4 competitors starting from the start docks at the same time.

- Competitor with highest ranking from time trial has first choice of starting position, then second highest ranking and so on. If two competitors in a heat have the same ranking from time trial, a draw needs to decide their starting position.
- All competitors in a heat start at the same time on a starting signal command. The starting signal command will be given in acoustic and visual form by the competition director or any other member of jury.
- All competitors must complete the course in the same way according to the course diagram showed in the riders briefing.
- The result of the heat is determined by whoever completes the course correctly and crossed the finish line first, second, third, fourth. A competitor who completes the course incorrectly is disqualified.
- Depending on the number of competitors in a heat, the first one or two athletes are advancing to the next round.
- Competitors not qualifying for the next round will be ranked in the heat according to their finishing position across the finish line or the distance completed in the course if the finish line is not crossed.
- A heat is valid as soon as the number of competitors that qualify for the next round have completed the course, or 1 minute after the first competitor has completed the course; the ranking of the remaining competitors in the heat is determined according to the distance they have completed on the course.

Crashes in the Elimination series (Group races)

- If a competitor crashes at the start or during the course, the athlete can get back to the dock and start again.
- If all competitors in a heat crash and nobody is flying on foil during a heat, the heat is cancelled and all competitors need to restart the heat from the dock. If a heat needs to be cancelled 3 times because all competitors crash during the course, the result of the heat is determined according to the distance they have completed on the course during the last re-run of this heat.
- If at least one competitor passes the first buoy, the heat will have a valid result. If none of the competitors manages to pass the first buoy, all athletes are disqualified for that heat.
- If two or more competitors crash with each other, the incident is generally treated as a usual racing incident (no rules format), unless one or more athletes act under dangerous riding behavior.
- Dangerous riding is called by the competition director or any other member of the jury observing the race, if a competitor behaves in a rude or abusive manner with the intention of putting other competitors in danger. A competitor who acts under dangerous riding will be disqualified from the heat.

Elimination ladder

Any race in the elimination series is run with an elimination ladder in a knock-out system. In an elimination ladder multiple athletes compete against each other in different heats, where the best competitors of a single heat advance into the next round until the final.

Different elimination ladder systems according to total number of participants and number of participants per heat.

Single Elimination, Dingle elimination, or double elimination systems can be used and will be announced by the SFT race director in the riders briefing, the ladder system will be decided according to the time, weather, and number of participants registered.

Seeding in Elimination ladder

For the first race of the elimination series, all competitors get seeded into the elimination ladder according to their result from the time trials. If multiple competitors have the same result from the time trials because they did not start in the time trials or crashed at the start:

- those competitors who crashed at the start will be seeded below those who have a ranking from the time trials and a draw will determine the positions between those who do not have a ranking.
- those competitors who did not start at all in the time trials will be seeded below those who participated in the time trials and a draw will determine the positions between those who have not participated.

For the second and any following race of elimination series, the result of the previous elimination race counts for the seeding of the next race. Shared positions are split for the allocation in the elimination ladder by the result from the time trials.

Event Ranking

If the Elimination Series runs one race only, the result of that one elimination stands as the final event ranking. All heats need to be completed to have a valid result.

If the Elimination Series runs multiple races, the results of each race count towards the final event ranking. A competitor collects points for every result of a single race according to the position the athlete finishes within that race.

Event ranking points

- The winner receives 0,7 points, second place receives 2 points, third place receives 3 points, 4th place receives 4 points and after that the athletes being knocked out receive the average points of all other competitors also being knocked out in the same round in same finishing position.
- The competitor with the lowest accumulated points is in first position of the event ranking, the competitor with the second lowest accumulated points is in second position of the event ranking and so on.

Discards

- If four or more races are completed in the elimination series, every competitor can discard one result of all races. This meaning the highest points collected in a single race will not count towards the event ranking.
- If seven or more races are completed in the elimination series, every competitor can discard two results of all races. This meaning the two highest points collected in a single race will not count towards the event ranking.
- If ten or more races are completed in the elimination series, every competitor can discard three results of all races. This meaning the three highest points collected in a single race will not count towards the event ranking.

Tie Breaks

If multiple competitors end up with the same total points in the event ranking, a competitor is ranked on top of another competitor by the following order of rules:

- In favour of the competitor with the better result from the time trials.
- In favour of the competitor with lower points discarded, if any discard(s) have been effected.
- In favour of the competitor who has finished more often on top of the other one throughout all races including discarded races.
- In favour of the competitor with the higher number of first, second, third, etc. place finishes throughout all races including discarded races.
- In favour of the competitor who finished better in the last race.
- If all of the above rules miss to determine who is finishing on top of the other competitor, then the final event ranking shall stand with a shared position between these competitors.

Starting docks

Starting docks are 2 m long, 50 cm wide, and positioned 60 cm above the waterline. They are very solid, built on a 30 m-wide floating pontoon anchored and stabilized with legs fixed directly to the lake bottom. We will have four starting platforms of this type, each separated by 3 m, ensuring plenty of space between riders for a clean and relaxed start.



SFT Austria – Team 2026

- Tour Manager: Tom Hartmann
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- Media Director: Zuzanna Pavelkova

Any question please contact our Sports Director at carlos@surffoilworldtour.com

We look forward to seeing you very soon!

The SFT Team