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CHAMPIONSHIP

SARIKAMIŞ/TURKEY





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**4-12 February – Sarıkamış-TURKEY**

## 1. ORGANISERS

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### 3. VENUE – SARIKAMIŞ

The event center will be at the SARIKAMIŞ Ski Center, Kars, TURKEY. Kars city-center and airport Harakani are at 56 km distance from the event center. 42°10" and 44°49"E 39°22" and 41°37" N

There are several Daily flights from following airlines.

**Turkish Airlines;** İstanbul-Kars,

**Pegasus Airlines;** İstanbul-Kars, Esenboğa (Ankara)-Kars, Antalya-Kars, İzmir-Kars



The province of **Kars** is located in the North East Anatolia and is on the Historic Silk Road, **Kars** is a border city whose foundation history extends to the BC 9000 - 8000 and the city is a well-known city with its historical and archeological sites, beautiful nature and rich folklore culture.

**Ani (Ocaklı) Ruins** are at 48 km distance to the Kars Province. The ancient city is founded at the banks of the Arpaçay River flowing in the vicinity of Turkey - Armenia border and is in the borders of Mevcut Ocaklı Village. The foundation date is estimated to be in BC 350 - 300 years. The tourists coming to our country frequently visit the ruins of Ani. The ruins of city walls, Medieval churches and Seljukian architecture creations of the Ani ruins are magnificent art works and they worth visiting.

**Kars Castle** is also called as Central Castle or Inner Castle and was constructed in the 10th Century. The Castle was completely destroyed by the forces of Timur in 1386 and was reconstructed in 1579.

**Evliya (Saint) Mosque and the Menuçehr Mosque** (The first mosque constructed by the Seljukian civilization in Anatolia) are the most important mosques of the province. The first constructed mosque was collapsed in 1579 and it was restored and reconstructed in 17th century with earthen ceiling. The mausoleum in its courtyard named the mosque.

Sarıkamış is a rapidly developing ski resort 2.5km from the Sarıkamış town centre, located 50km from Kars airport and surrounded by pine forests. The altitude and location from the coast make Sarıkamış a fairly snowsure resort. Though short by Alpine standards, the ski slopes at Sarıkamış are among the longest in Turkey.

Kars Castle



Ani Ancient City



Sarıkamış snow festival



Sarıkamış Kar Festivali

Sarıkamış Ski-sport



Görsel Şölen Eşliğinde Kayak Sporü

Sleigh ride



Atlı Kızak Keyfi...

Silk Road bridge



İpek Yolu Köprüsü

Genç Kızla Church



Genç Kızla Kilisesi

Ebu-I Menu Çehr Mosque



Ebu-I Menu Çehr Camii

Keçel Church



Keçel Kilisesi

## 4. PROGRAM

Date	ESOC 2019	
Mon 4.2.2019	Model event	
Tue 5.2.2019	Sprint	Opening ceremony
Wed 6.2.2019	Mixed sprint relay	
Thu 7.2.2019	Relay	
Fri 8.2.2019	Rest	VIP/OPEN Race
Sat 9.2.2019	Middle	
Sun 10.2.2019	Long	Banquet
Mon 11.2.2019	Departure	

## 5. CLASSES AND PARTICIPATION RESTRICTIONS ESOC (M/W 21):

In each individual competition each federation may enter up to 6 men and 6 women

- Mixed sprint relay: max 3 teams
- Relay: max 2 male teams and 2 female teams

## 6. TERRAIN

The competition terrains around Sarıkamış are mostly pine forest at 2100-2300 metres above sea level. The terrains are dominated by mountain slopes and hills up to 100 metres from lowest to the highest point and plateau areas with smaller hills. Some stream gullies are breaking out from hillsides. The terrain is fairly open and clear. There are almost no bushes nor other undervegetation in the terrain. There very few of features in the terrain, which makes the orienteering challenging and dependend on the excellent track system navigation.

Sarıkamış is the only province with a high forested area in Kars province. The name of the town comes from the *Pinus sylvestris* trees. Yellowpox is one of the rare trees that live over two thousand years. Sarıkamış forest is unique in its big size in Turkey. Hundreds of plants and animal species live in this geographical area. The presence of the yellowpam forests largely prevents the avalanche danger. Sarıkamış has mountains, deep valleys and high plateaus. The highest peaks are Aladağ (3.138 m.), Süphan (Sinekac – 2.909 m.), Balıklı (2.835 m.), Köseadağ (2.599 m.), Bayraktepe (Cibiltepe – 2.634 m.) ve Soğanlı (2.849 m.)

## 7. CLIMATE

Kars is the coldest region in Turkey with an average high temperature of only 13°C. The climate is much more varied than in central Europe and offers different seasons with cold deep winters and warmer summers.

In February, the average temperature is -8 degrees Celcius with typically -15 degrees minimum and -2 degrees maximum. The weather in February is often fairly humid (75-85 % RH) and cloudy causing nightly light snowfalls. The typical snow depth in the beginning of February is 100-150 centimetres.

## AVERAGE OF TEMPERATURE AT FEBRUARY

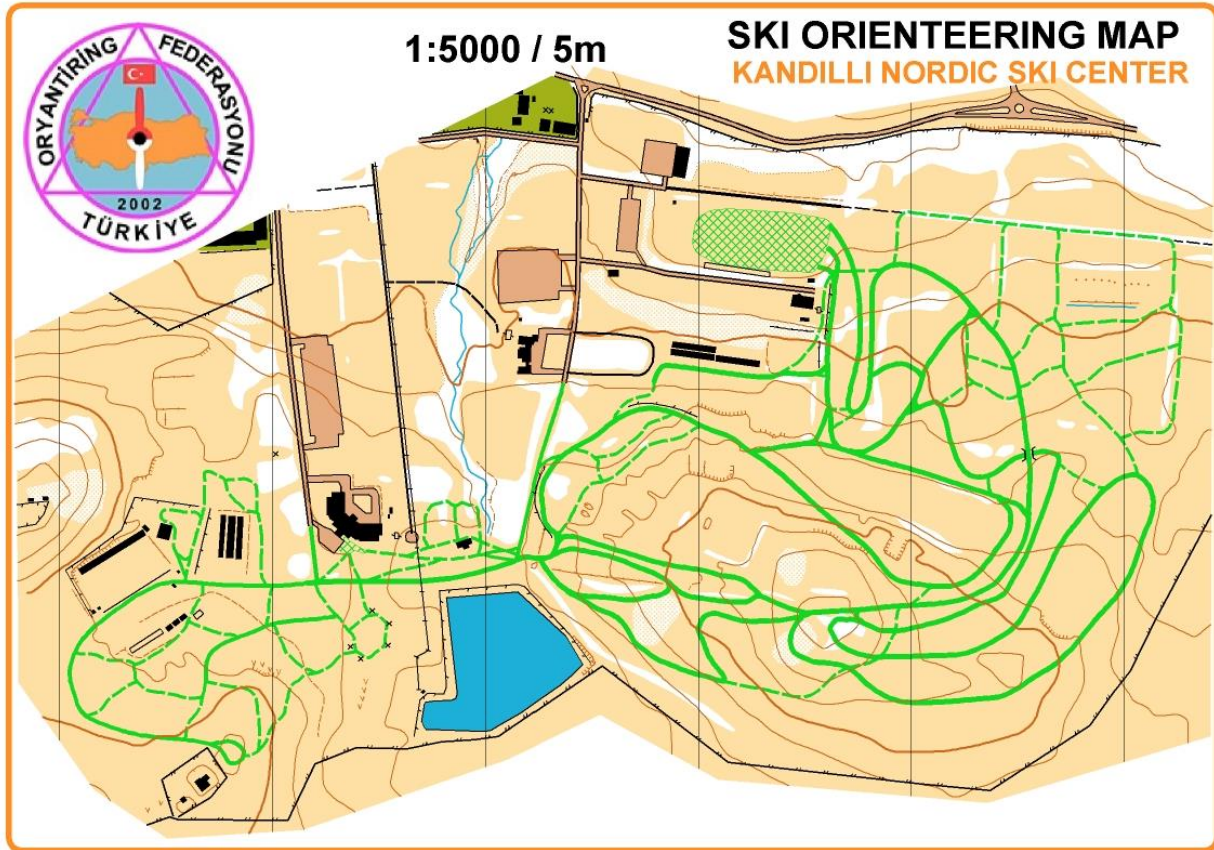
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Avg. Temperature (°C)	-9.8	-8.1	-2.2	5.6	10	13.6	17.7	17.8	13.6	7.5	1.2	-5.5
Min. Temperature (°C)	-15	-13.7	-7.2	0	3.9	6.6	10	9.7	5.3	0.5	-4.3	-10.1
Max. Temperature (°C)	-4.5	-2.5	2.9	11.2	16.1	20.7	25.4	25.9	21.9	14.5	6.8	-0.8
Avg. Temperature (°F)	14.4	17.4	28.0	42.1	50.0	56.5	63.9	64.0	56.5	45.5	34.2	22.1
Min. Temperature (°F)	5.0	7.3	19.0	32.0	39.0	43.9	50.0	49.5	41.5	32.9	24.3	13.8
Max. Temperature (°F)	23.9	27.5	37.2	52.2	61.0	69.3	77.7	78.6	71.4	58.1	44.2	30.6
Precipitation / Rainfall (mm)	21	24	28	47	78	74	46	36	27	39	28	22

**VISA FORMALITIES:** <http://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa>

For most European countries, Turkey does not require visa. Please check the visa requirements with your nearest Turkish consulate

## 8. OPPORTUNITIES FOR TRAINING

There will be opportunities for training in Erzurum, on high altitude (1700-1800 m). and competitions during the winter of 2019.

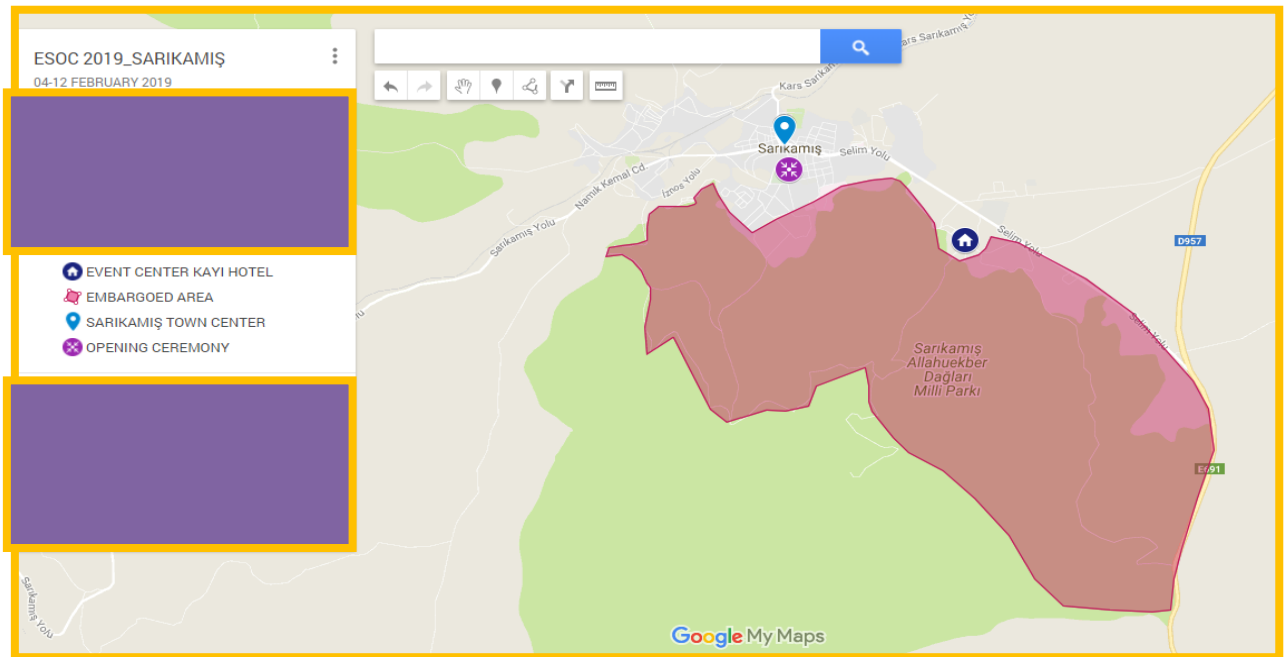


Turkish National SKI-O Team Selection Race at 13-14 January 2019. You are more than welcome to these competitions. Please contact Event Secretary if you need more information.

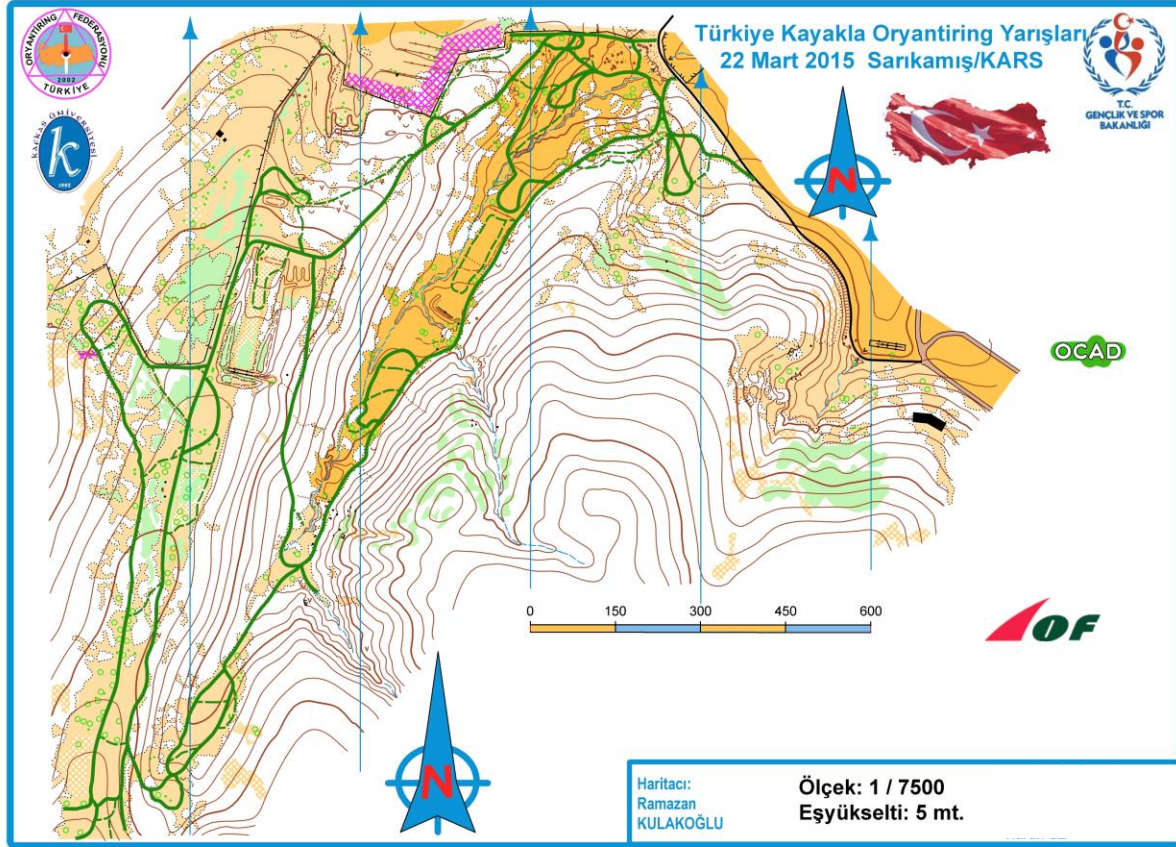
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## 9. EMBARGOED AREAS

You can see a map of the embargoed area at below.



## 10. PREVIOUS MAPS OF THE EMBARGOED AREAS



## 11. BULLETIN\_2

Bulletin 2 will be issued in the end of September.