

18. - 25. AUGUST 2018

23RD FAI WORLD HOT AIR BALLOON CHAMPIONSHIP

GROSS-SIEGHARTS AUSTRIA



EVENT INFORMATION

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1. Schedule

DATE	TIME		LOCATION / NOTE
16/08/2018	AM	Practice flight	No briefing
	09:00-11:00	Refueling	
	13:00-18:00	Check In	Town Hall
	18:00	Briefing for PM training flight	In front of briefing room
	21:00-22:30	Refueling	
17/08/2018	AM	Training flight	No briefing
	09:00-11:00	Refueling	
	08:00-18:00	Check In	Town Hall
	18:00	Briefing for PM training flight	In front of briefing room
	21:00-22:30	Refueling	
18/08/2018	AM	Training flight	No briefing
	09:00-11:00	Refueling	
	08:00-12:00	Check In	Town Hall
	13:00	General Briefing Fiesta	Fiesta only
	14:00	General Briefing	Competition - Briefing room
	17:30	Opening ceremony	Tent at main launch site
19/08/2018 - 23/08/2018	05:00	Competition Briefing	Briefing room
	08:30-11:00	Refueling	
	17:00	Competition Briefing	Briefing room
	20:00-23:00	Refueling	
24/08/2018	05:00	Competition Briefing	Briefing room
	08:30-11:00	Refueling	
	17:00	Competition Briefing	Briefing room
	20:00-24:00	Refueling	
	22:00	Night Glow	Fiesta
25/08/2018	05:00	Competition Briefing	Briefing room
	08:30-11:00	Refueling	
	14:00	Event debriefing	Briefing room
	20:00	Closing ceremony and prize giving	Tent at main launch site

Note: Practice flights before 16.08.2018 are possible only with prior notifying the organizer.

2. Participant categories

- Competition:** Competitors will compete at the 23rd FAI World Hot Air Balloon Championship
- Fiesta:** Fiesta pilots have their own briefing and director. They must not interfere with the competition.
- Official Balloon:** Some organiser and press balloons may fly during the competition, however, all official balloon pilots will be briefed to maintain safe distance from competition balloons and the targets. They must not interfere with the competition.

3. Social Events

(Details may be subject to change.)

DATE	TIME	
18/08/2018	16:30	Air Show
	17:30	Opening Ceremony with presentation of all nations. Opening dinner for pilot + 3 crew members is included in the entry fee.
	19:00	Air Show
	20:00-	Live music @ Common Launch Area
24/08/2018	19:00	Air Show
	21:00	Night glow
	22:00	Ö3 Disco
25/08/2018	15:00	Kids afternoon
	17:00	Dinner for WHABC competitors and teams
	18:00	Fly In Fiesta
	20:00	Closing Ceremony and Prize giving
	22:00	Fireworks, Live music

At check in pilots will receive four tickets for opening and closing ceremony. Additional tickets are available. (See separate E-Mail from May, 23rd)

4. Entry to the Event

Entry Fee: 400 euros, including:

- gas for all competition flights
- 2 maps
- weather and flight information
- breakfast for pilot+3
- Opening and Closing Ceremony Tickets (4 tickets)

5. Accommodation

Use our accommodation service: <http://balloonworlds2018.at/accomodation>

6. Gas Refueling

From 19th August 2018 after the morning flight to 25th August 2018 after the morning flight, the Organizer will cover the refueling cost. For all other flights the competitor will have to cover the cost. Fiesta has their own cost-system.

All cylinders must have the cylinder stickers on them to be refueled. The stickers will be distributed at pilot check-in.

Location for refueling: 3002/0461

Location for WHABC competitors from 19th – 25th 3019/0370



7. Ware house

Balloonworlds 2018 – Ware house
Fa. Pöppel
Raabser Straße 87
3812 Groß-Siegharts
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8. Competition Center and Briefing Room

Middle School Groß-Siegharts: 3006/0449
Address: Hamerlingstraße 32, 3812 Groß-Siegharts / AUSTRIA

9. Free Internet Access (Wi-Fi)

Free internet access is available around the Competition Center

10. Check-In (Registration)

Location: Townhall - Stadtsaal Groß-Siegharts 2988/0436

Schedule: 16th August 2018 13:00 – 18:00 h
17th August 2018 08:00 – 18:00 h
18th August 2018 08:00 – 12:00 h

Documents: The following documents must be submitted at check-in.

- a) Pilot License, plus Medical, if applicable
- b) Pilot Log Book (photocopies of the last entry page with total hours plus a copy of Pilot Review, if applicable)
- c) Balloon Log Book (photocopies of the last entry page with total hours plus Balloon Annual / 100 Hour Inspection, if applicable)
- d) Certificate of Airworthiness
- e) Certificate of Registration
- f) Certificate of Insurance
- g) Passport or Identity Document

But please make sure that you bring the original documents with you at check-in, even when you have submitted the copies online via the registration process.

11. ID Cards

ID Cards will be issued for pilots, crew chiefs and crews at the check-in. You will be required to wear these ID Cards to enter the Common Launch area, Briefing area and Refueling area during the event. Additional crew can also get ID Cards.

12. National Team Manager

National Team manager can also register. A seat at the briefings will be arranged and competition documents handed out. To register, please fill out the form available from the official document weblink. The form must be signed by all competitors associated with the manager. He will then be considered a crew member of each team associated. Please hand in the form at check In.



13. Anti-doping and alcohol policy

WADA rules concerning anti-doping, including alcohol abuse, will be applied.

Intoxicated crew, including pilots, should be ordered to stop whatever ballooning activity they are currently participating in. The Safety Officer can take whatever action he feels appropriate and should immediately inform the Event Director.

If there is need for independent documentation, medical treatment or if otherwise deemed necessary, police or emergency services will be asked for assistance.

If you are using a drug that is on the WADA list of "Prohibited Substances and Methods" but is prescribed by a medical doctor, **you must have a document from your national sport authority showing that you have an official exemption.** In such a case, please report this to the Event Director.

The latest WADA list of "Prohibited Substances and Methods" can be downloaded here:

<https://www.wada-ama.org/en/prohibited-list>

Note: The legal blood alcohol limit for driving in Austria is 0,25 mg/ml.

The legal blood alcohol limit for flying in Austria is 0 mg/ml.

14. GPS Logger

The FAI/CIA Flytec loggers will be used in the competition. See more details the event rules.

A logger may be used at the August 17th practice flights. Please contact the competition officials on the practice flight briefing on August 16th 18:00 for details.

15. Practice Flights

For all practice flights please be aware of the following:

Responsibility: You will operate your equipment under your own responsibility at any time.

Schedule: see under 1-Schedule

Briefing: Practice briefings will be held in front of the main briefing room, located at the school in the center of Groß-Siegharts. Briefings for training flights are scheduled for August 16th and 17th at 18:00.

Flying Area: Practice flights are only permitted in Austrian airspace and outside all PZs. Austrian air-law applies any time and to all aerial activities. The maximum flying altitude is 8500ft MSL.

Target display: A target will be displayed at the main launch site.

PZs: All PZs, as defined in the rules, are also in force during all practice flights. Be especially aware of PZ10, PZ11 and PZ12. Landing in this area is extremely dangerous due to military activity and land mines.

IMPORTANT: Each infringement of a PZ, altitude or boundary, may jeopardize the good conduct of the competition afterwards! Please be very careful!

Refueling cost: For all practice flights propane will be available at own cost from the event organisers. The cost will be invoiced after August 18th.

Landowner: Please respect the landowners' land and cattle and take special care to consider them as our hosts who are due our best consideration. Any complaint from a land-owner should be directed immediately to the event organisers or the event officials.

16. General Briefing

Attending the General Briefing is compulsory for Pilots and Officials.

The competition briefing will be held at **14:00 on 18th August**. Each pilot can attend with their crew chief.

17. Task Briefing

Only pilots and crew chiefs are allowed to enter the Briefings.

Time: Morning **05:00** / Afternoon **17:00**

Doors generally open 15 minutes before the official briefing time

Location: Competition Center 3006/0449

18. Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Breakfast included in the entry fee will be provided to participants near the briefing room 3012/0437. At the same location you will get Lunch and Dinner, except on Opening and Closing day. Opening and Closing Dinner is on the Common Launch Area.

- **Package 1:** lunch (19.8.-25.8.), dinner (19.8.-24.8.) 160,-- Euro/person
- **Package 2:** dinner (19.8.-24.8.) 85,-- Euro/person
- **Package 3:** breakfast (19.8.-25.8.), dinner (18.8. and 25.8.) 65,-- Euro/person

Timetable:

breakfast:	04:00 – 04:45 WHABC / 04:45 – 05:30 fiesta
lunch:	10:30 – 13:00
dinner:	21:00 – 23:00

19. Recall Procedure

Recall will primarily be done by phone SMS. It is therefore recommended for the pilot AND the crew chief to be equipped with working SIM cards and phones. Please make sure to register both phone numbers in the registration form.

20. Extra Mobile Phone and SIM cards

There will be a possibility to buy national SIM cards and mobile phones at check-in.

21. Airspace

Airspace limitations are defined in the event rules. Special, updated or additional limitations will be announced latest at the General briefing.

Drone flying is heavily restricted in Austria. Even if a permission is obtained by the Austrian civil aviation authorities it is not allowed to fly drones in or near MMAs and CLAs unless explicit permission has been obtained by the organiser and event director.

22. Air band radio

As of January 1st, 2018, a new European regulation makes the use of VHF 8.33kHz voice channel spacing in European airspace mandatory. Please be aware that during the event checks may be made by the regulation authorities. More details can be found here: <http://www.eurocontrol.int/833>

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23. Website and Electronic Notice Board

The official website of the event can be found on:

<http://balloonworlds2018.at>



The electronic notice board (ENB) can be found here:

<http://www.balloon-enb.org/?cat=42>



All official documents (rules, maps, briefing notes, task sheets, ...) can be accessed directly here:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/esminshaaa1m0uq/AAB62FNAVarjkqOZA9txc22la?dl=0>

or

<https://tinyurl.com/y9tx7kms>



24. Competition Map

2 sets of printed competition maps will be provided to all pilots at the check-in.

An electronic competition map will be published on the electronic notice board under multiple formats.

25. Helium tanks

You can order one-way helium tanks till 1st August 2018. Please contact our competition office at registration@balloonworlds2018.at (Big bottle: 69,-- Euro)

26. Balloon Repair Station

We have a repair station during the event. The details will be announced later.

27. Night Glow

A Night Glow is planned on 24th August 2018 with fiesta balloons. If the wind is strong, the night glow may feature a burner show only.

28. Local People / Landowner Relationship

Additionally to Rule 9.2.2 the following applies: Public areas, such as public parks, squares and river side's, are considered as places without need for permission for take-off and landings. Furthermore, a take-off without permission may be made from minor roads or tracks, if the balloon envelope can be laid out in the adjacent field provided, it is freshly harvested and/or not cultivated, and no damage is done. The road traffic may not be blocked.

29. Contact

For any organisational questions, please contact:

registration@balloonworlds2018.at

With best regards

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