



**XTERRA EUROPEAN TOUR
2016 CHAMPIONSHIP RULES**

1. The philosophy behind the XTERRA European Tour is to provide a series of events that the avid XTERRA athlete can participate in and earn points towards becoming the European Tour Champion. This applies to Professionals or Age Group athletes, to men and to women.
2. Each XTERRA European Tour Championship will have two levels of events that award points. The events will be categorized as Gold and Silver events. This is being changed to give our smaller races a break on expenses, yet keep them in the family and important on the Tour while giving our athletes a broad selection of events throughout Europe.

Gold races for 2016 will be Switzerland, France, Germany and Denmark

Silver races for 2016 will be Malta, Portugal, Greece, Italy, Belgium, Poland and Sweden

Points awarded at the 2016 XTERRA European Tour races, Pro & Age Group

XTERRA Gold		XTERRA Silver	
Place	Points	Place	Points
1 st	100	1 st	75
2 nd	90	2 nd	67
3 rd	82	3 rd	61
4 th	75	4 th	56
5 th	69	5 th	51
6 th	63	6 th	47
7 th	58	7 th	43
8 th	53	8 th	39
9 th	49	9 th	36
10 th	45	10 th	33
11 th	41	11 th	30
12 th	37	12 th	27
13 th	34	13 th	25
14 th	31	14 th	23
15 th	28	15 th	21

- Athletes compete in the following Age Groups – based on his/her XTERRA Age. 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74 plus 75+ (men)
- Professional/Elites have no age groups.

- XTERRA European Tour Championship ages must be fixed so every athlete stays in the same age group for the entire year. For 2016, every athlete will compete at the age they are on **December 31, 2016**.
- Pro athletes will count their best 4 Gold and 3 Silver finishes.
- Pro athletes can compete in as many events as they wish, but we will count **only** their best 4 Gold and 3 Silver finishes at full points.
- Age group athletes will count their best 4 Gold and 2 Silver finishes.
- Age group athletes can compete in as many events as they wish, but we will count **only** their best 4 Gold and 2 Silver finishes at full points.
- A pro or age group athlete does not need to compete in any specific number of events.
- All pro and age group points finishes will be counted and posted.
- It is not necessary to compete in 6 races to be considered the European Tour Age Group Champion, but you must earn points in a **minimum of two races** to be crowned Champion.
- Note: The title of XTERRA European Champion will be earned at the 2016 XTERRA Germany Championship. This is a one day award as opposed to the Tour Championship which counts all races.
- If there is a tie in points, the tie-breaker will be the person with the most wins. If still tied after counting wins, the person finishing highest in the final race will be the champion. If neither participated in the final then the highest finishing position in the order of race participation - from last to first race will determine the Champion.

3. Prize Money for Professionals for 2016

Gold races will pay the equivalent of \$US15,000 prize money in Euros.

Silver races will pay the equivalent of \$US7,500 prize money in Euros.

Note: Silver races may choose to pay more than the minimum. It is wise to check the individual websites to determine the exact prize money.

The XTERRA European Tour Series will pay the equivalent of US\$20,000 to the top 10 points earners, men and women. The XTERRA European Championship race will pay \$US25,000 to the top 10 men and women

The exact amount of Euros will be based on currency exchange on February 1, 2016.

2016 Prize Money in \$US equally to men and women - paid in Euros

Tour Series	Gold Events	Silver Events	Germany Euro Champ
1st \$2,500	1st \$2,300	1 st \$1,200	1 st \$3,000
2nd \$2,000	2nd \$1,700	2 nd \$ 900	2 nd \$2,300
3rd \$1,500	3rd \$1,200	3 rd \$ 700	3 rd \$1,700
4th \$1,200	4th \$ 800	4 th \$ 550	4 th \$1,400
5th \$ 900	5 th \$ 650	5 th \$ 400	5 th \$1,100
6th \$ 700	6 th \$ 450		6 th \$ 900
7th \$ 500	7th \$ 400		7 th \$ 750
8th \$ 350			8 th \$ 600
9th \$ 200			9 th \$ 450
10th \$ 150			10 th \$ 300

TTL \$20,000

TTL \$15,000

TTL \$7,500

TTL \$25,000

Maui Slots awarded at European Tour Gold and Silver Events

GOLD events will award 50 Maui slots as follows:

MEN - 28	WOMEN - 22
15-19, 1	15-19, 1
20-24, 2	20-24, 2
25-29, 2	25-29, 2
30-34, 3	30-34, 2
35-39, 3	35-39, 2
40-44, 3	40-44, 2
45-49, 3	45-49, 2
50-54, 3	50-54, 2
55-59, 2	55-59, 2
60-64, 2	60-64, 2
65-69, 2	65-69, 2
70-74, 1	70-74, 1
75+, 1	

SILVER events will award 25 Maui slots as follows:

- One to the first place person in each age group.
- Slot will roll down at awards presentation among the top 3 if the first place person declines.