



# **EUROPEAN SKYDIVING LEAGUE (ESL)**

## **O F F I C I A L B U L L E T I N**

**18<sup>th</sup> EUROPEAN SKYDIVING LEAGUE FINALS**

**4-way Formation Skydiving Finals 2026**

**SAARLOUIS - DUEREN (Germany)**

**25<sup>th</sup> of September until the 27<sup>th</sup> of September 2026**

organized by: Fallschirmsportzentrum Saar (Skydive Saar)  
Fallschirmsportschule Saar GmbH  
Flugplatz Saarlouis, D-66798 Wallerfangen (Germany)

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## EVENT

European Skydiving League Finals

## FORMATION SKYDIVING

4-way Rookie-, A-, AA- and AAA Class (10 rounds)

## AIMS OF THE EVENT

- \* to determine Champions in all classes
- \* to determine the most successful Nation
- \* to promote and develop skydiving as a sport
- \* to exchange ideas and strengthen friendly relations between the skydivers, judges and support personnel of all Nations
- \* to improve judging methods and technology
- \* to enjoy a good time together

## EVENT ORGANIZER

Fallschirmsportzentrum Saar (Skydive Saar)  
Fallschirmsportschule Saar GmbH  
Flugplatz Saarlouis  
D-66798 Wallerfangen/Germany  
Airfield: Saarlouis-DUEREN (ICAO-designator: EDRJ)

## OFFICIALS

Meet Director: Mr. Helmut Bastuck  
Chief judge: Mrs. Gundel Klement



## LOCATION OF THE COMPETITION SITE

The public airfield of Saarlouis-DUEREN (ICAO-designator: EDRJ) is located 10 km west of the city of Saarlouis, which has approx. 50,000 citizens and is located at the western border of Germany (very close to France and Luxemburg).

The city is easily accessible via two highways ("Autobahn") A 8 and A 620 and by train as well.

The dropzone elevation is 1,120 ft (= 341 m) MSL. It has a concrete runway of 800 m and separate taxiways. The operating time is daily from 09:00 to 20:00 hrs.

There are full time dropzone facilities available, including a full time rigging shop. The center has hosted the German Nationals several times and the FAI World Cups in 2011 and 2017 in all skydiving disciplines.

### Details of access:

Airports: (IATA-Code)

- (SCN) **Saarbrücken** (45 km = 40 min by car)
- (ETZ) **Metz-Nancy-Lorraine** (70 km = 1 h by car)
- (LUX) **Luxemburg International** (80 km = 1 h by car)
- (HHN) **Frankfurt-Hahn** (130 km = 1,5 h by car)
- (FRA) **Frankfurt International** (200 km = 2 h by car)

Train stations:

- **Saarlouis** (10 km = 15 min from DZ and 3 hrs from Frankfurt Airport Station (€ 35 – 50 one way))
- **Saarbrücken** (30 km = 30 min) (ICE and TGV-Station: travel time from Frankfurt = 2 h; from Paris = 2 h!)



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**AIRCRAFT (see detailed photos on website: [www.fsz-saar.de](http://www.fsz-saar.de))**

Type: **1-2 x CARAVAN C 208** (Standard and/or Grand):

Description: C 208: one engine, 19-20 jumpers

All A/C with left (inflight) door, with the following dimensions of doors:  
(W) 124 cm x (H) 127 cm (50 inch x 51 inch); rear video step and handles inside and outside (roof); Exit speed: all A/C 80 kts (+/- 5 kts)  
Each aircraft: 3 – 4 loads per hour

**PRE-EVENT TRAINING CAMPS**

The dropzone in Saarlouis operates every weekend from April on and will be open every day during specified weeks in June, July and August. For arrangements of your pre-training planning please contact the organizer at

**[pascal.schu@fsz-saar.de](mailto:pascal.schu@fsz-saar.de)**

Pre-competition training is also possible on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> September out of the competition aircraft.

Jump tickets for all training, competition, tie-break and re-jumps (5 slots):

**175,00 EUR 4-way FS**

**Jump tickets can be paid either cash, by Maestro or credit card at the Dropezone. Please do not wire money for jump tickets upfront.**

**SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

The use of an AAD is mandatory for jumping at dropzone Saarlouis.

Main parachute must be released at 800 m AGL (= 2,600 ft)

Use of head protection is mandatory.

Use of the restraint systems on board the aircraft for take-off is mandatory.

Reserve parachutes must be packed according to the technical manual for the specific parachute and according to the rules of the home country of each competitor but reserve repack must not exceed 365 days on the last day of the competition.

Compliance with these conditions is in the responsibility of each individual, who will confirm this by signing a waiver on the day of arrival.

A valid National Sport Parachuting Licence and documents proving the airworthiness of the used equipment must be provided by each participating individual.



## INSURANCE

It is strongly recommended to all competitors to have insurance to cover for medical expenses and repatriation in the case of injury and for third party liability **coverage limit: 3.000.000 EUR (incl. damages to the aircraft).**

If necessary, the Organizer can assist in this matter by providing a short-term third party liability through the German Parachuting Association. In case of questions please contact the organizer.

## TIME SCHEDULE

Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> September 2026

**Arrival of teams**, registration open from 10:00 till 18:00 hrs., training jumps possible, competitors meet and draw at 19:00 hrs.

Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> September 2026

Competition jumps from 09:00 till SS (approx. 19:30 hrs.).

Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> September 2026

Continuation of competition jumps from 09:00 till 18:00 hrs.

Competition ends at 18:00 hrs (last take-off)

Prize Giving and closing ceremony at 20:00 hrs.

Closing dinner at 21:00 hrs and party in the catering tent at the airfield.

Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> September 2026

**Departure of teams**

## REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

Registration can be made either through the [Online-Shop](#) of the organizer FSZ Saar here is the link in detail:

(<https://shop.fsz-saar.de/en/european-skydive-league-esl-2026/fse26005>)

Or by sending attached registration forms with team name, individuals names, etc. to [pascal.schu@fsz-saar.de](mailto:pascal.schu@fsz-saar.de)

Registration closes on the 25<sup>th</sup> of August 2026.

**ENTRY FEE is 100,00 EUR per person** for the event.

Entry fee includes dinner on Saturday evening at the DZ, medals and awards, and the organisation fee and must be paid via Online-Shop or by bank wire transfer before the 25<sup>th</sup> of August 2026.



## **PAYMENT DETAILS for paying via bank**

Payment must be made in EURO by **wire transfer** to the following bank account.  
All **bank fees** have to be paid by the sender (OUR).

Account holder name:	Fallschirmsportschule Saar GmbH
Address:	Flugplatz Saarlouis; D-66798 Wallerfangen
Name of Bank:	Vereinigte Volksbank Saarlouis eG
Bank address:	Kaiser-Friedrich-Ring 7-13
Account-number (IBAN):	DE87 5909 2000 5667 9900 00
BIC-Code (SWIFT):	GENODE51SB2
Remark/Transfer reason:	Entry fee ESL 2026, <i>name of team</i>

## **ENTRY FEE DOES NOT COVER:**

- \* training and competition jumps, re-jumps and tie break jumps
- \* meals (besides closing dinner on Saturday evening)
- \* accommodation
- \* transportation

## **ACCOMMODATION:**

For all competitors, officials and accompanying persons one \*\*\*\*-Hotel, several B&B's, apartments to rent, etc. are available in close vicinity of the competition site. Camping at the DZ is also an option.

Reservations for accommodation **must be made exclusively** by the participants themselves. However, should you have any questions and/or need assistance with making reservations we are happy to help. Please contact us.

For a general overview about accommodation options you can also check:

the local tourist agency for hotel reservations at website:

[www.rendezvous-saarlouis.de/ueber-nacht](http://www.rendezvous-saarlouis.de/ueber-nacht)

[www.booking.com](http://www.booking.com)

[www.traum-ferienwohnungen.de](http://www.traum-ferienwohnungen.de)

[www.urlaub.saarland/Reisefuehrer/Uebernachten-Angebote](http://www.urlaub.saarland/Reisefuehrer/Uebernachten-Angebote)

[www.wallerfangen.de/de/tourismus-freizeit/uebernachten/](http://www.wallerfangen.de/de/tourismus-freizeit/uebernachten/)

[www.airbnb.de](http://www.airbnb.de)

[www.fewo-direkt.de](http://www.fewo-direkt.de)



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**Important:** Any damage to the hotels etc. is in the responsibility of the persons/teams involved. Personal items and equipment are under participant's responsibility.

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## MEALS

Snacks will be served during the day at the DZ. In the evening a catering service will be provided **after pre-registration only**.

## JUDGING EQUIPMENT

The organizer will provide the INTIME judging and scoring system.

## PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM

A speaker system will be used for announcements throughout the dropzone and a big screen will be provided to follow competition jumps and the overall standings by competitors and general audience.

## WEATHER CONDITIONS

Average temp. at DZ Saarlouis in September: Day 12<sup>0</sup> C and Night 09<sup>0</sup> C  
Sunrise/Sunset (UTC): 5:20 / 17:30 (= local summertime 07:20 /19:30)

Sunshine: 75%; Rain: 25% (average number of rainy days in September: 10)

Average of cloud coverage in September: 5,0 octas

Average wind speed in September: 4,0 m/sec

09<sup>th</sup> March 2026

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ANNEX – 1: Official Entry Form

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