



Ice Cross World Championship
ATSX250 Rautalampi, FIN 2024
Welcome Letter for Athletes

Welcome to Rautalampi - again!

We are happy to welcome you all to Rautalampi on February 8-10.02.2024. Rautalampi has hosted Ice Cross races many times before. This is the 8th time that the Ice Cross World Championship tour stops at Rautalampi. This year we have redesigned our track, so an interesting race is coming!

Rautalampi is a small and cozy village in the middle of Finland. If you don't like traffic lights or crowded hotels, we are happy to tell you; we don't have those either. Instead, we have a chill atmosphere, beautiful frozen lakes and forests, lots of snow and of course, a permanent Ice Cross track.

This Welcome letter includes essential information for Ice Cross attending ATSX250 Rautalampi. Please read all the information carefully!

You will find extended and updated information on website: www.fsxa.fi/atsx250

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AT SX250 Rautalampi - Race Info

RACE CATEGORY: AT SX250, part of World Championship

DATE: 8-10.2.2023

LOCATION: Rautalampi, Finland

ORGANIZER: RautU (Ice Cross Rautalampi) & FSXA (Finnish Ice Cross Association)

Race Fee

After registration you will get a payment link to your email.

- Men – 100€
- Women - 0 € (yes, zero)
- Juniors – 60€*

* Juniors can compete in the Men/Women category but they need to pay at both categories

Rules and regulations

Competition is open to everyone, who is older than 15 years, registered at data.atsx.org, has paid the ATSX athlete license and race fee.

Participants 15-17 yrs. should provide a letter from their parent(s) (or legal guardian) allowing them to compete in this extreme sport event. (Full name and signature of the parents necessary, ID card (or at least copy) of the parent who signed should be available to show upon request).

Race will follow ATSX Ice Cross rules 2023-2024. Please also note jersey restrictions. You can find the rulebook on ATSX website WWW.ATSX.ORG.

Online Registration

- Create your ATSX profile in case you do not have one: data.atsx.org/Account/Register
- Register for the race: [Rautalampi 2024](https://data.atsx.org/Event/229) (<https://data.atsx.org/Event/229>)
- You will receive an email with the link to our payment site
- Note: In addition to our registration fee you need to purchase an ATSX license
- Contact your national federation (you can look it up in the list below). If your country is not listed please write an email to: pvirta@gmail.com
- Read through all of the information in this document
- Registration will close 2 days prior to the race, OR before, if the race's capacity has been reached.
- If you have problems with ATSX license please contact Reno Eckebrecht – ATSX General Secretary: renoeckebrecht@gmail.com

Insurance and license

Every rider should have insurance for the whole period of competition (that is mandatory and includes the training runs). Without payment of the international license, the athlete is not allowed to participate.

Accommodation

- There are no hotels in Rautalampi. Unfortunately we did not arrange a shared “Riders BNB” this year. You can find accommodations via booking.com, AirBnB, Hotels.com etc.

How to get to Rautalampi?

By train

Nearest train station is Suonenjoki. It's about 20 km from Rautalampi. Train schedules can be found from: <https://www.vr.fi/>

By bus

Most of the buses (also Onnibus) stops at Koskelo, Suonenjoki (also named Koskelo Ysitie) if asked. This bus stop is next to the gas station and it's about 13km from Rautalampi.

There might be some buses coming straight to Rautalampi, but that's quite rare.

Bus schedules could be found from:

<https://www.matkakeisari.fi/?lng=en> (combines schedules from different bus companies)

By plane

Nearest airports are at Kuopio and Jyväskylä, around 80 km away. Transfer connections from these airports to Rautalampi are really bad, taxi might be the best solution.

Restaurants and other services

Ravintola Nuapuri (There is athlete lunch at this restaurant on friday clock 14:00-16:00).

Friday lunch is included in the Race Fee.

Location and Parking

Athlete parking location

Restaurant Nuapuri Parking lot (Kuopiontie 21, Rautalampi).

Short walking to locker rooms. **NO PARKING on locker rooms!**

Google maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/WD5UJk5hhhhN1XVjZ>

Track location

Ice Cross Track Rautalampi (Satakielistentie 17, 77700 Rautalampi)

Short Walk from the locker rooms. **NO PARKING at the track.**

Google maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/JPjUCWC8ty3MR6Hc8>

The track

Track is filled with obstacles, steep starts, jumps, step-downs, step-ups and rollers. The track has been redesigned for this year.

- **Location:** Water Tower Hill, Rautalampi FIN
 - **Length:** 300m
 - **Width:** 4-6m
 - **Vertical Drop:** 25m
 - **Turns:** 5
 - **Ice:** Natural
- Sidewalls:** partially

Changing Rooms.

CHANGING ROOM IS AT THE USE ONLY FRIDAY-SATURDAY. Thursday you will gear up at the track.

We have a big gym hall for changing rooms. Short walk to the track. You can put skates on at the track, no walking with skates at the changing rooms. (new floor)

Be aware that YOU CAN NOT bring alcohol or cigarettes to this area. It's a school area and there will be an extra fee if you want to break this one. (100 €)

At the track there is an outdoor tent/locker room where you can put your skates on.

Skate sharpening and blade guards

Please take your own blade guards with you to the track, you will need it there. We don't have any skate guard to borrow.

Skate sharpening **NOT** available.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS IN FINLAND

112 You can find all from here. Police, fire officials and medical emergency

Training on site

Track is open for training: (If the weather provide this)

- Saturday 3.2.2024 12.00 - 14.00 (Track fee 25€ paid by cash, open for everyone)
- Sunday 4.2.2024 12.00 - 14.00 (Track fee 25€ paid by cash, open for everyone)
- Wednesday 7.2.2024 16.00 - 18.00 (Track fee 25€ paid by cash, only for ATSX250 Riders.)
- Thursday 8.2.2024 16.00 - 18.00 (Free training, only for ATSX250 riders)
- Friday 9.2.2024, schedule TBA (2 runs per rider, only for ATSX250 riders)

Race Schedule

Local weather changes and the schedule may change. Updated schedule will be on website: <http://fsxa.fi/atsx250> or at the facebook site: <https://www.facebook.com/alamakiluistelu>

Wednesday, Feb. 7th

- 16:00 – 18:00 Free training (Additional training session. Track fee 25€ paid by cash.
- You will gear up at the track

Thursday, Feb. 8th

- Accreditation at the restaurant NUAPURI (same place as Athletes Parking)
- Accreditation is open 14:00-16:00!
- 16:00 – 18:00 Free training (**Registration has to be done before.**)
- You will gear up at the track

Friday, Feb. 9th

- 11.00 - 12.00 Accreditation at the restaurant NUAPURI (same place as Athletes Parking)
- 12:00 – 14:00 Women + Juniors + Men (2 practice runs + 2 time trial runs, all categories together)
- 14.00 - 16.00 Food available at the restaurant NUAPURI
- 18:00 - > Team Contest (three + person at the team) 60 € / team
- Gym hall at use after 10 ->

Saturday, Feb. 10th

- 18:00 – 20:00 AT SX250 Finals
- Medal ceremony after the race.
- Sauna and swimming hall open for riders and race officers after the race (bring swimsuit with you)
- Gym hall will be closed 22:00

After Party at restaurant Nuapuri 21:30 -> Bring your bracelet with you.

Team Contest (unofficial)

Friday 18:00 ->

- Only one category. Men, women, juniors can be on the same team.
- Three riders at one team
- 60 € / team (20 € / person). Paid in cash.
- Most of the race fee money will be prize money to this race. (First three team will get the money)
- You will register your team at the accreditation.
- Rules etc will come later :)
- Team race is unofficial, so it's not part of the World Championship. Main goal is to have fun together!

Contact

If you have questions feel free to contact:

- Questions about event: tuomaskullaa@gmail.com
- Race delegation: arttu.pihlainen@gmail.com
- AT SX license: renoেকেbrecht@gmail.com
- Problems with payments: pvirta@gmail.com

Welcome to Rautalampi!