



# European Deaf Ninepin Bowling Championship 2026



**21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2026**

**Ninepin Bowling Sport hall Tabor**

**Koresova ulica 7, 2000 Maribor**



Organizer:

Športna zveza gluhih Slovenije/Slovenian Deaf Sports Association (ŠZGS)

Technical implementation and support:

KK Konstruktor Maribor

Under the patronage of the European Deaf Sports Organisation (EDSO)

Dear athletes, coaches and friends of deaf ninepin bowling,

We are very pleased to invite you to the European Deaf Ninepin Bowling Championship, which will be held in Maribor from 21 to 23 May 2026.

After the successful championships in Celje (Slovenia, 2016), Ritzing (Austria, 2018) and Straubing (Germany, 2023), Slovenia will once again host the best European deaf ninepin bowlers in Maribor.

We look forward to athletes from all over Europe meeting again in Slovenia - this time in a city Maribor with a rich sporting, cultural and hospitable tradition.

The Organizing Committee, together with the European Deaf Sport Organization (EDSO), is preparing a competition at the highest level, which will provide athletes with top-notch conditions for performance and pleasant socializing in the spirit of fair play and friendship.

A warm welcome to Maribor!

Sports greetings,

Sabina Hmelina

President  
Športna zveza gluhih Slovenije



## 1. Preliminary program

Date	Event
20 May 2026 (Wednesday)	Arrival of teams, accreditation, official training at the Tabor Ninepin Bowling Centre  17.00 Technical meeting (Tabor Sports Hall)  19.00 Opening Ceremony 4 <sup>th</sup> European Deaf Ninepin Bowling Championships 2026 in Ninepin Bowling Sport Hall Tabor in Maribor
21 May 2026 (Thursday)	Team Competitions (Men and Women)
22 May 2026 (Friday)	Tandem Mixed (Men and Women)
23 May 2026 (Saturday)	Singles and combination and Closing Ceremony
24 May 2026 (Sunday)	Departure

## 2. Ninepin Bowling Dvorana Tabor Maribor

### Sports Hall Tabor Maribor

Koresova Street 7, 2000 Maribor, Slovenia

Website: [www.kkkonstruktor.si/](http://www.kkkonstruktor.si/)



The Tabor Sports Hall is a modern sports facility with a well-equipped bowling centre featuring six lanes, suitable for international competitions. The venue offers changing rooms, a spectator area and convenient parking facilities.

### **3. Disciplines**

In accordance with the EDSO Technical Regulations (2026), the following disciplines will be contested:

- Team Competition (Men and Women)
- Individual Competition (Men and Women)
- Mixed Tandem (Men/Women)
- Combination

Detailed competition rules are specified in the official document "EDSO Technical Regulations – Ninepin Bowling 2026" and are in accordance with the regulations of the WNBA–NBC (World Ninepin Bowling Association – Classic).

### **4. Applications and Deadlines**

Preliminary application: The submission deadline was 30 October 2025. Several countries have already submitted their applications.

Final application: by 21 February 2026

Nominal application: by 21 April 2026

Applications should be sent to the official address: [ninepin@edso.eu](mailto:ninepin@edso.eu)

### **5. Accommodation**

Each team is responsible for arranging their own accommodation in Maribor. The organizer will not handle bookings.

We recommend that teams make reservations as soon as possible, preferably in hotels near Tabor Hall (e.g., Hotel City, Hotel Arena, Hotel Tabor).

It does not have to be a hotel – apartments, hostels, or other suitable accommodations are also acceptable.

### **6. Transportation**

Transportation between Graz Airport (Austria) and Maribor, as well as between hotels and Tabor Hall, must be arranged individually by each team. Each team is also responsible for transportation to any other locations if needed.

### **7. Visa Information**

Some countries require a visa to enter Slovenia.

Participants who need an official invitation from the organizer should contact

the Slovenian Deaf Sports Association (ŠZGS) no later than March 2026.  
Email: [szgs@zveza-gns.si](mailto:szgs@zveza-gns.si)

## 8. Additional Information

All official information, schedules, results, and announcements will be published on the social media:

[www.edso.eu](http://www.edso.eu), and on the EDSO and Športna zveza gluhih Slovenije Facebook page.

- Technical Meeting: 20 May 2026 at 17:00, Tabor Hall
- Opening Ceremony: 20 May 2026 at 19:00
- Closing Ceremony: 23 May 2026 at 20:00

## 9. Contact of the Organizing Committee

Slovenian Deaf Sports Association (ŠZGS)  
Drenikova 24, 1000 Ljubljana – Slovenia  
Email: [szgs@zveza-gns.si](mailto:szgs@zveza-gns.si)

### Note:

Bulletin 1 is for informational purposes only and serves as an initial version.

Detailed information about the members of the Organizing Committee and the EDSO representative will be included in Bulletin 2, which will be published after the deadline for the final application (15 February 2026) and after all necessary information has been received.

Bulletin 2 will be sent to all registered teams.

Anton Petrič

Organizing Committee  
Športna zveza gluhih Slovenije