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TECHNICAL GUIDE WATERSLEY JUNIOR & LADIES CHALLENGE 2026

July 24 - July 26 at Watersley Sports & Talentpark

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

On Friday July 24, Saturday July 25 and Sunday July 26 2026, the Watersley Ladies Challenge U19 2.Ncup and Junior Challenge U19 2.1 will take place on and around Watersley Sports & Talentpark, Sittard, The Netherlands.

Friday there will be an explosive time trial. The stages on Saturday and Sunday will take us through the technical and hilly landscape around Watersley Sports & Talentpark.

1.1 Information Watersley Junior & Ladies Challenge

Stichting Watersley` Topsports is responsible for the organization of the Watersley Junior & Ladies Challenge and we declare that the races as described in this technical guide are conducted according to the regulations of the KNWU & UCI.

Contact organization

Stichting Watersley Topsports, Watersley 31, 6132 KA Sittard, The Netherlands
Email: info@watersley-topsports.com
Website: www.watersley.com

Contacts during the Watersley Junior Challenge

Role	Name	Telephone	Emailadres
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Organization	Raymond Beeren	+ 31 6 30 06 99 67	raymond@watersley.com
Organization	Inge Meekels	+31 6 39 25 63 58	inge@watersley.com

Permanence

Date	Location
July 24, 25 and 26 - 2026	Watersley 31, 6132 KA Sittard

Program

Stage 1, Friday July 24 - Individual Time Trial

	Time	Distance	Start	Finish
Ladies	11:00	6,4 km	Munstergeleen	Watersley
Men	15:30	6,4 km	Munstergeleen	Watersley

Stage 2, Saturday July 25 - Road race

	Time	Distance	Start	Finish
Ladies	10:30	88,2 km*	Watersley	Watersley
Men	14:30	110,9 km*	Watersley	Watersley

*Excluding 2,6 km neutralization

Stage 3, Sunday July 26 - Road race

	Time	Distance	Start	Finish
Ladies	10:30	85,1 km*	Watersley	Watersley
Men	14:30	116,3 km*	Watersley	Watersley

*Excluding 3,4 km neutralization

1.2 Organization committee

Role	Name
Chairman	Joop Petit
Race Director	Erik Dekker
Organization	Jeroen Niessen
Organization	Raymond Beeren
Organization	Inge Meekels



1.3 Other information

Medical care / hospital

Zuyderland Medisch Centrum Sittard-Geleen
6162 BG Sittard-Geleen, Tel: 088 – 459 7777

Medical service in the race

Stichting Sportdokters

Neutral service

Neutral Service – Nieuwe Hoop Tielen – Stage 2 & 3

Waste

During the Watersley Junior & Ladies Challenge, specific attention will be given to the environment. We make an urgent appeal to the riders, team leaders, staff and all other attendees in the race; please don't throw garbage or materials on the public roads and/or in the ditches beside them. Drop your waste only in the indicated waste zones, in a vehicle or with your team personnel.

Please keep our countryside clean so we can continue organizing this race!

2. COMPOSITION OF THE COMMISSARIES

Role	Name
UCI President (PCP) Ladies Challenge	Zsolt Törzsök
UCI President (PCP) Junior Challenge	Anthony Torr
Race Commissaire 1	TBD
Race Commissaire 2	TBD
Race Commissaire 3	TBD
Radio Tour	TBD
Finish Judge	TBD
Photo finish Operator	TBD
Timing Operator	TBD
Speaker	TBD
Motor Commissaire 1	TBD
Driver Motor Comm. 1	TBD
Driver Motor comm. 2	TBD
Broom wagon	Ruud Reiners
Technical Commissaire	TBD
Trainee Race Commissaire	Joris Smitsmans

3. DAY SCHEDULE

Thursday, July 23

Time	Activity	Location
18:00 - 18:45	License check & registration · Ladies	Watersley 31, 6132 KA, Sittard
19:00	Team managers meeting · Ladies	Watersley 31, 6132 KA, Sittard
19:30 - 20:15	License check & registration · Men	Watersley 31, 6132 KA, Sittard
20:30	Team managers meeting · Men	Watersley 31, 6132 KA, Sittard

Friday, July 24

Time	Activity	Location
9:00 - 10:45	Bike pre-check Ladies*	Watersley 31, 6132 KA, Sittard
9:30	Commissaires meeting	Watersley 31, 6132 KA, Sittard
10:00	Drivers safety meeting	Watersley 31, 6132 KA, Sittard
11:00	Start stage 1 ladies · Time trial	Steengraafpad Munstergeleen
13:30 - 15:15	Bike pre-check Men*	Watersley 31, 6132 KA, Sittard
	Podium Ceremony Ladies	Watersley 31, 6132 KA, Sittard
15:30	Start stage 1 men · Time trial	Steengraafpad Munstergeleen
	Podium Ceremony Men	Watersley 31, 6132 KA, Sittard

Saturday, July 25

Time	Activity	Location
8:30	Permanence open	Watersley 31, 6132 KA, Sittard
9:20	Riders sign in · Ladies	Watersley Sports & Talentpark
10:30	Start stage 2 · Ladies	Watersley Sports & Talentpark
13:20	Riders sign in · Men	Watersley Sports & Talentpark
14:30	Start stage 2 · Men	Watersley Sports & Talentpark

Sunday, July 26

Time	Activity	Location
8:30	Permanence open	Watersley 31, 6132 KA, Sittard
9:20	Riders sign in · Ladies	Watersley Sports & Talentpark
10:30	Start stage 3 · Ladies	Watersley Sports & Talentpark
13:20	Riders sign in · Men	Watersley Sports & Talentpark
14:30	Start stage 3 · Men	Watersley Sports & Talentpark

All podium ceremonies take place 15 minutes after the finish at the finishlocation.

* A schedule for the bike pre-check will be provided in the week for the race. Each team will have a dedicated time, in which the bikes can be checked. Your team’s bikes will only be accepted for pre-check during designated time slot.

4. RACE REGULATIONS

Art.1 ORGANIZATION

The Watersley Junior & Ladies Challenge 2026 to be held on Friday, July 24, Saturday, July 25 and Sunday, July 26, by Stichting Watersley Topsports, hereinafter referred to as the organization.

The race will be contested under the auspices and in accordance with the regulations, decisions and annual detailed rules and instructions of the UCI. The race for the ladies is categorized as a UCI Nations Cup U19 . For the men it's categorized as class 2.1. The organization holds the UCI racing license and government permits & waivers. These licenses, permits and waivers are available for inspection at the organization's secretary.



Art. 2 TYPE OF EVENT

The Watersley Junior & Ladies Challenge is open to teams of junior men and women. The race will be run under the UCI regulations and this technical guide.



Art. 3 UCI Point scale

Ladies Challenge

Ranking/Place	Final General Classification	Stages points
1	30	6
2	25	5
3	20	4
4	17	3
5	16	2
6	15	1
7	14	
8	13	
9	12	
10	11	
11	10	
12	9	
13	8	
14	7	

Ranking/Place	Final General Classification	Stages points
15	6	
16	5	
17	4	
18	3	
19	2	
20	1	

Art. 4 PARTICIPATION

During the inscription, valid 2026 licenses must be shown to the organization and the UCI designated commissaires before the racenumbers and transponders will be handed out. The team leaders, soigneurs, mechanics should also be in possession of a valid license for the year 2026. The race is open to National Teams, Regional Teams, Club Teams and Mixed Teams. It has a minimum of 4 riders and maximum of 6 riders per team.

Art 5 CLASSIFICATIONS

The order of priority of the individual classifications is in the order in which they are mentioned in art. 5

General Classification (GC) / GOLD-YELLOW

The winner shall be the rider whose sum of times in the individual stages, including the time bonuses and the penalties, will be the lowest.
Bonifications awarded in the road stages, but not for the time trial:
- Stage 2 & 3 classification 10" - 6" - 4".

In the event of a tie in the individual general classification a decision is made based on following criteria in order:

- 1. the fractions of a second registered during individual time trial
- 2. the lowest sum of placings obtained in each stage
- 3. the place obtained in the last stage ridden

Sprint Classification / GREEN JERSEY

For the sprint classification, points can be earned at the finishline, during an intermediate sprint and at the finish of the stage. At the intermediate sprints and at the sprints at the finish of the stage, the first 4 riders receive: 5, 3, 2 and 1 point.
At the intermediate sprints in stage 2 & 3 the first 3 riders receive bonification seconds for the GC; 6" - 4" - 2".

- Stage 2 Ladies - intermediate sprint 42,8 km (2nd passage finish line)
- finish of the stage 88,2km
- Stage 2 Men - intermediate sprint 42,8km (2nd passage finish line)
- finish of the stage 110,9km

- Stage 3 Ladies - intermediate sprint 32km (2nd passage finish line)
- finish of the stage 84,8km
- Stage 3 Men - 1 intermediate sprint 49,7 km (3rd passage finish line)
- finish of the stage 120,1km

Mountain Classification / POLKA DOT JERSEY

At the mountain classification, the first 4 riders receive: 5, 3, 2 and 1 point.
In case there is a tie in the mountain and sprint standings, rule 2.6.017 is followed to determine the results.

- Stage 1 Ladies - KOM sprint 1 Watersley - KM 5,8 till finish
- Stage 1 Men - KOM sprint 1 Watersley - KM 5,8 till finish
- Stage 2 Ladies - KOM sprint 1 Schatsberg 14,6km
- KOM sprint 2 Schatsberg 60km
- Stage 2 Men - KOM sprint 1 Schatsberg 14,6km
- KOM sprint 2 Schatsberg 37,3km
- KOM sprint 3 Schatsberg 60km
- Stage 3 Ladies - KOM sprint 1 Stammenderbos 22,3km
- KOM sprint 2 Stammenderbos 40km
- KOM sprint 3 Stammenderbos 57,7km
- Stage 3 Men - KOM sprint 1 Stammenderbos 22,3km
- KOM sprint 2 Stammenderbos 40km
- KOM sprint 3 Stammenderbos 57,7km
- KOM sprint 4 Stammenderbos 75,4km
- KOM sprint 5 Stammenderbos 93,1km

All Kilometer marks are excluding the neutralization of the stage.

Youth Classification (YC) / WHITE JERSEY

The YC is based on the YC after each stage. The YC is open to riders who were born in the year 2009.

Team Competition

The team classification for the day shall be calculated based on the sum of the three best individual times from each team.

In the event of a tie, the following criteria shall be applied in order until the teams are separated;

1. Number of first places in the daily team classifications
2. Number of second places in the daily team classifications etc.
3. The placing of their best rider in the general individual classification

A team with fewer than three riders shall be eliminated from the general team classification, since you need at least 3 riders for this classification.

Art. 6 AWARDS CEREMONY

All ceremonies will take place 15 minutes after the finish of the stage. The ceremonies of stage 1 & 2 will be attended by the first 3 riders of the stage and the leading riders of each classifications.

The ceremony after stage 3 will be attended by the first 3 riders of the stage; the first 3 riders of the general classification, the winners of the secondary classifications, including best team & the nation leading the UCI Junior women Nations Cup.

The financial prizes will be wire transferred to all teams after the races. After the Watersley Junior & Ladies Challenge, teams will receive an e-mail in which they are requested to leave their bank information.

Art. 7 START ORDER TIME TRIAL

Starting order Ladies will be based on the following criteria in order;

The team that comes out first according to these criteria will start as the last team.

1. National selections according to the latest Junior women Nations Cup standing
2. National selections who are not included in the latest Junior women Nations Cup standing according to a draw
3. All other teams according to a draw

Starting order Junior men will be determined by drawing 1 week before the event and will be shared by e-mail to all sports-directors before the event

Riders start every 60 seconds and can be followed by the teamcar. Before the start the rider has to pass the bike check of the jury and comply with UCI regulations.

Bike-check will be conducted based on the length category registered with the UCI.

The team leaders determine the starting order of their riders during the licence check.

Art. 8 RACE NUMBERS

The distribution of racenumbers and transponders will take place on **Thursday, July 23th**, at the permanence Watersley Sports & Talentpark, Watersley 31, Sittard. The race numbers will be provided to the team leaders upon providing valid licenses from the participants. The frame number should be clearly visible on the bike. The transponder must be mounted on the front fork as near as possible to the axle. All riders who participate in the race will use the KNWU transponders. The transponders must be attached to the bike for all 3 stages.

Art. 9 TIME LIMITS & 3 KM rule

In the ITT, stage 1, the time limit is 50%

In stage 2 & 3, riders who are 5 minutes behind the leaders will be taken out of the race. This decision will be made in consultation with the local police. For each stage, the time limit can be changed because of unpredictable circumstances.

For the last 3 km of stage 2 & 3 Article 2.6.027 from the UCI regulations will be applied.

Art. 10 TEAM VEHICLES

Team vehicles are allowed to follow in all stages. The order of the team vehicles for the 2nd and 3rd stage shall be determined according to the position of the first rider of each team in the general individual time classification. Therefore your position of stage 3 will likely be different to stage 2.

The numbers will be distributed at the permanence for stage 2 & 3.

Art. 11 JURY & SPORTS DIRECTORS MEETING

The jury & sports directors meeting takes place at the Plaza of Watersley Sports & Talentpark in Sittard. The time and place is stated in the day schedule. Attendance is mandatory.

Art. 12 TRAFFIC RULES

All participants and officials in the caravan must adhere to the normal rules and traffic regulations. They should drive on the right-hand side of the road as much as possible and follow the instructions or orders from the police, race marshals and commissaires. All participating vehicles in the caravan must have valid liability insurance.

Art. 13 RADIO-TOUR

K.N.W.U. Radio tour: frequency 155.9375 MHz (KNWU 1)

During stages 2 & 3 the teams are obligated to have the proper equipment in the car so the commissaires can communicate with you during the race.
It is the responsibility of the teams to make sure this is correct.

Art. 14 LIABILITY

The organization accepts no responsibility for accidents or damage to riders, followers or third parties before, during or after the race.

Art. 15 ANTI-DOPING CONTROL

The UCI's anti-doping control regulations will be applicable. The anti-doping control takes place at the finish of each stage. Anti-doping rooms will be marked.



Art. 16 DECISIONS

Non-observance of these rules can disqualify the participant from the race and/or result in sanctions against the rider and/or the team leader. In cases not covered by these regulations, a ruling will be made by:

- For race technical issues, the commissaires' panel
- For organizational issues, the organization

Art. 17 PENALTIES

Penalties are applied in accordance with the standards of the UCI.

Art. 18 RESULTS

Results will be published in the following ways: shared on our social channels, published on our website and the publication links will be shared by mail to all sports directors.

Art. 19 PRIZE MONEY

Places	Per Stage	General Classification
1st	€175	€135
2nd	€100	€85
3rd	€75	€65
4th	€60	€45
5th-10th	€50	€35
11th-20th	€20	€15
Per stage	€910	€690

Winner Mountain Classification	€75,-
Winner Youth Classification	€75,-
Winner Sprint Classification	€75,-

All prizes will be wire transfered in the weeks after the race.

6. WATERSLEY SPORTS & TALENTPARK

The event takes place at Watersley Sports & Talentpark, which is a residential campus for both international and national top sports talents located in Sittard, The Netherlands. A unique location, centrally located in Europe and close to Belgium and Germany, where living, training, education, work and leisure are connected.

The Watersley principle, STAY · GROW · PLAY, is our trinity in guiding and facilitating our top sports talents and is primarily based on housing, development and competing.

Stay

Watersley Sports & Talentpark offers extensively accommodation options to teams and individual athletes and for both long and short stay. Depending on your wishes, there are different options to consider. Together we choose the perfect fit to make your stay at Watersley as good as possible.

During the Watersley Junior & Ladies Challenge you can stay near the course with everything you need at the park, so you can focus on your performance and have nothing to worry about.

Grow

Physical and mental growth is the key to success. Watersley Sports & Talentpark offers talent packages that include facilities and service to contribute to the growth and development of our talents. The main focus contains physical & mental training, recovery, nutrition and social development.

We also have our own women & men cycling team which uses all our facilities to grow and develop as optimal as possible; Watersley R&D Cycling Team. All focussed on young talented riders and their development.

Play

To develop yourself optimally and to stimulate growth the competition element is indispensable. In collaboration with 'Stichting Watersley Topsports' various top sport events are organized at Watersley Sports & Talentpark every year.

In the past years various mountainbike and road cycling events took place at the park including the Dutch national championships (mountainbike & road) and multiple 2.Nationscups for junior men and women.

Interested?

Are you interested to find out more about Watersley Sports & Talentpark? Ask your questions to one of our employees during the event, visit the website www.watersley.com or send an e-mail to info@watersley.com. Together we will make your dreams come true!

6. WATERSLEY PARTNERS

In the context of the development of Watersley Sports & Talentpark and its facilities, we work closely with various partners. A distinction is made between knowledge partners and business partners.

With our knowledge partners, we work on the development of (sports-)specific content, knowledge. We collaborate with business partners on matters such as the practical development of the park. In addition, we connect them to a Watersley talent, whereby this company contributes to the development of this individual talent.



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7. ROUTE

7.1 Detailed map of Watersley Sports & Talentpark

- Finish
- Parking
- Info/Plaza Watersley
- Permanence/Sign in
- First aid
- Tokens
- Toilet
- Catering & Dressing
- Stage



7.2 Stage 1

Friday July 24 2026

Individual Time Trial

Distance	6,4 KM
Start first Lady	11:00
Start first Junior	15:30
Start location	Steengraafpad Munstergeleen



Scan here for the course

Permanence

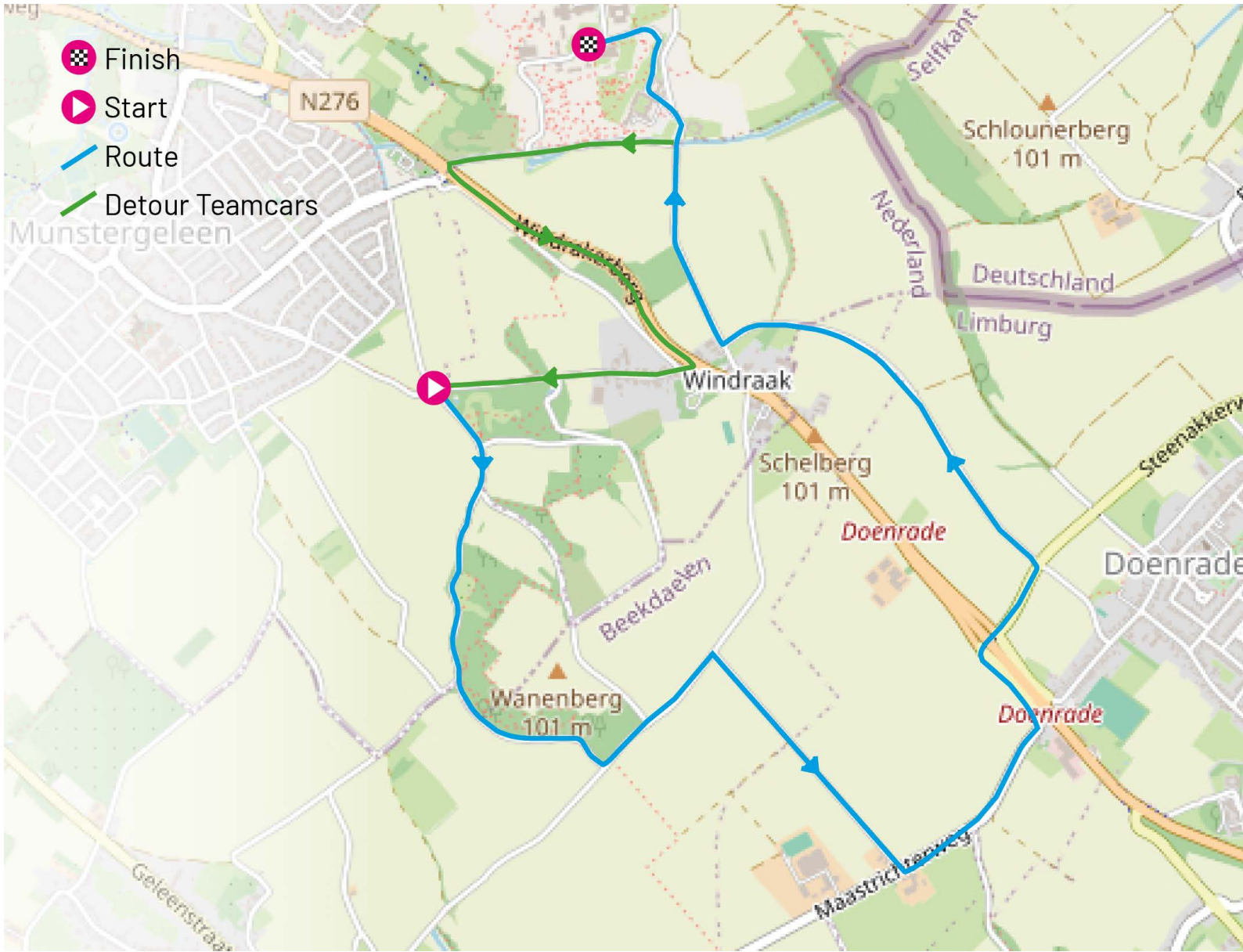
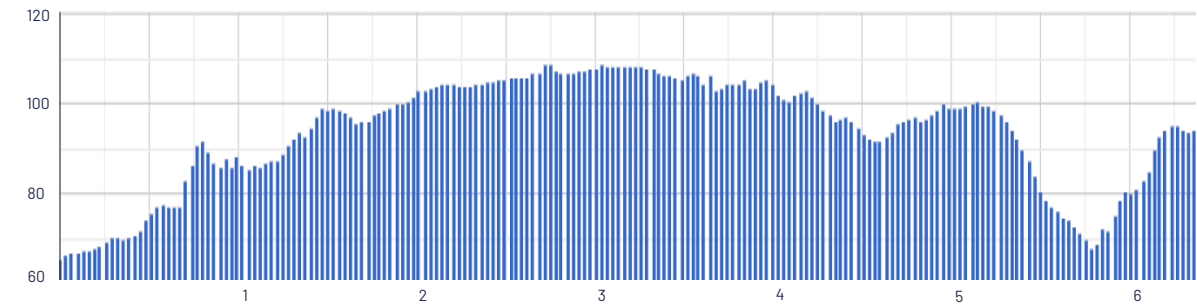
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Dressing rooms

Watersley 30, 6132 KA Sittard

Parking

Watersley Sports & Talentpark



7.3 Stage 2

Saturday July 25

Ladies Challenge Start 10:30

Distance 88,2km



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Scan for the neutralization

Junior Challenge Start 14:30

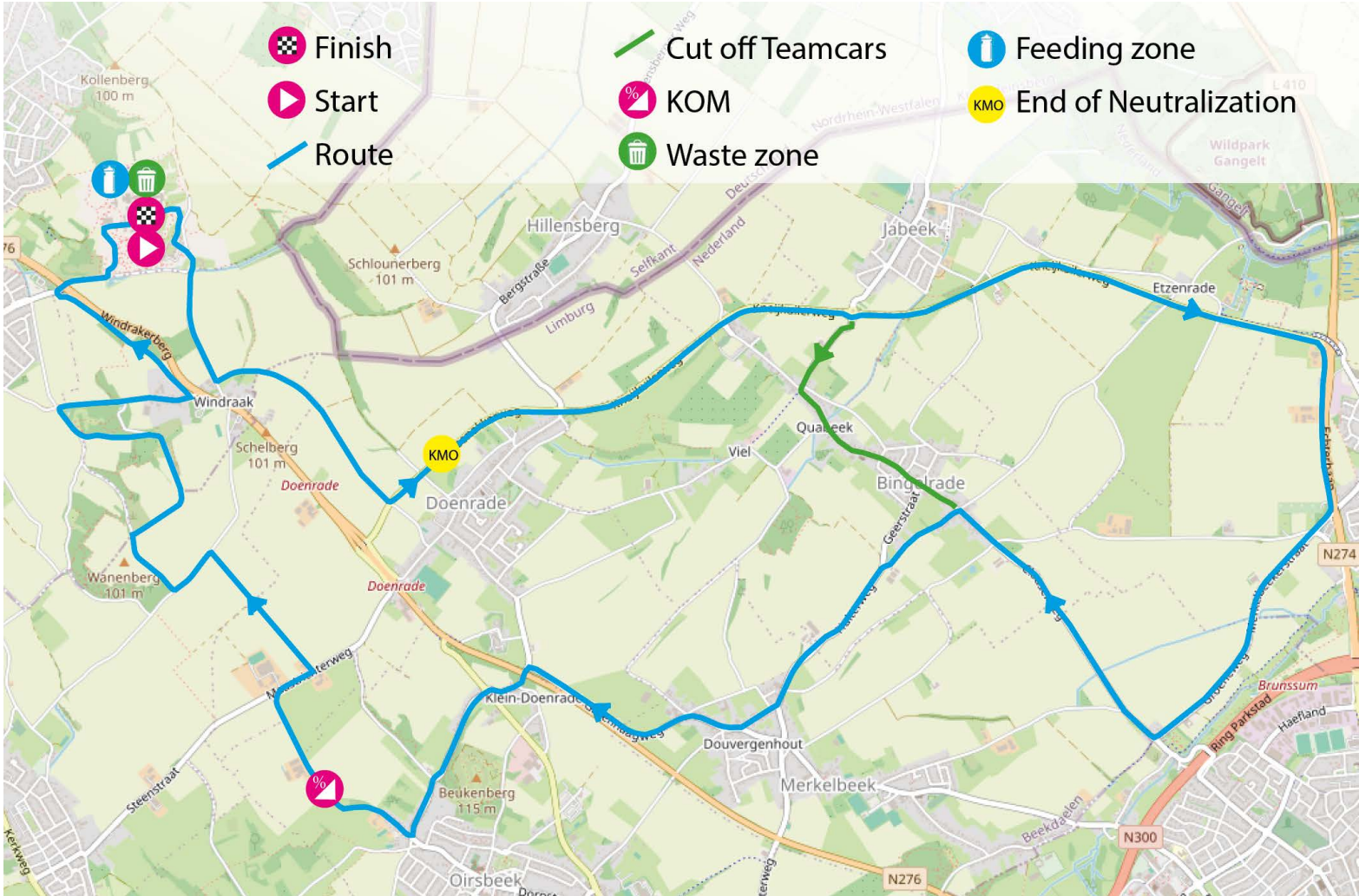
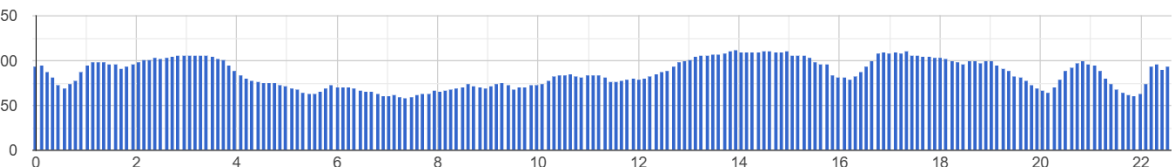
Distance 110,9km



Permanence Watersley 31, 6132 KA Sittard

Dressing rooms Watersley 30, 6132 KA Sittard

Parking Watersley Sports & Talentpark



7.4 Stage 3
Sunday July 26

Ladies Challenge Start 10:30
 Distance 84,8km



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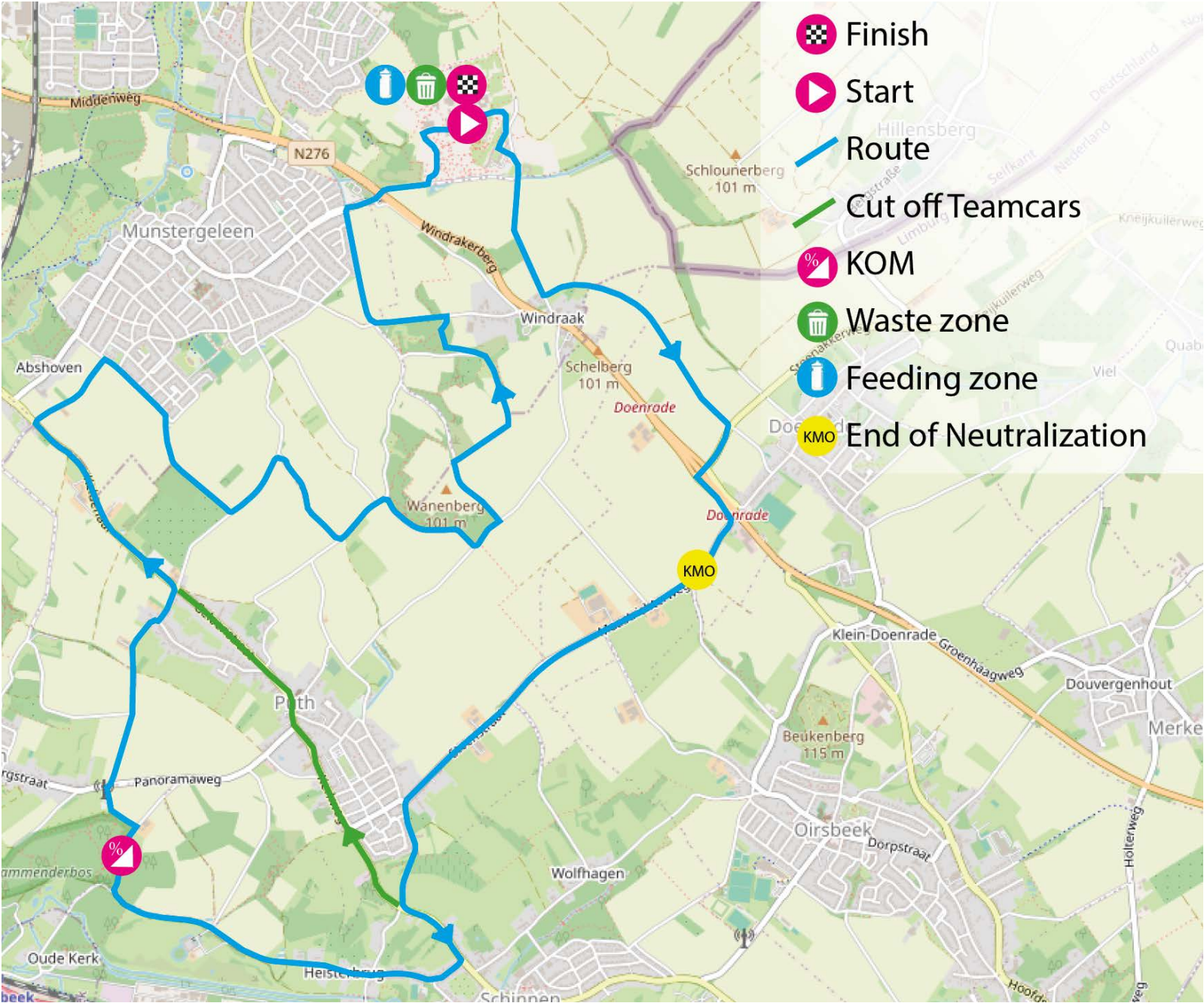
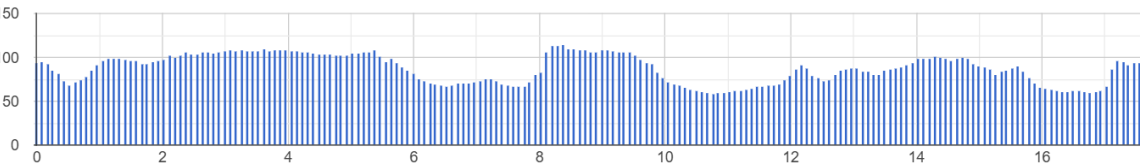


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Junior Challenge Start 14:30
 Distance 120,1km



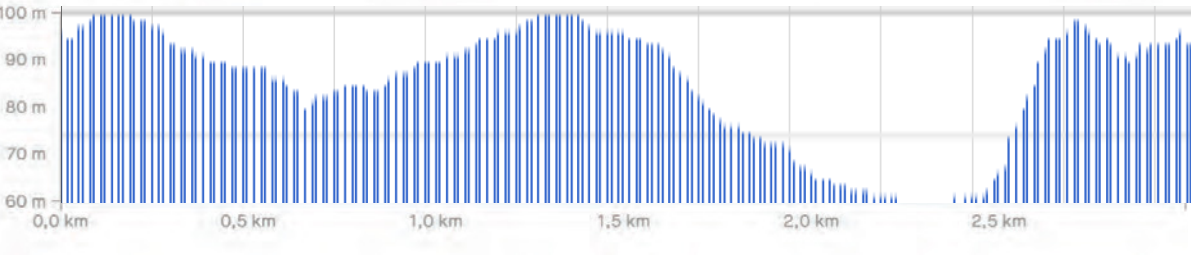
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7.5 Other maps

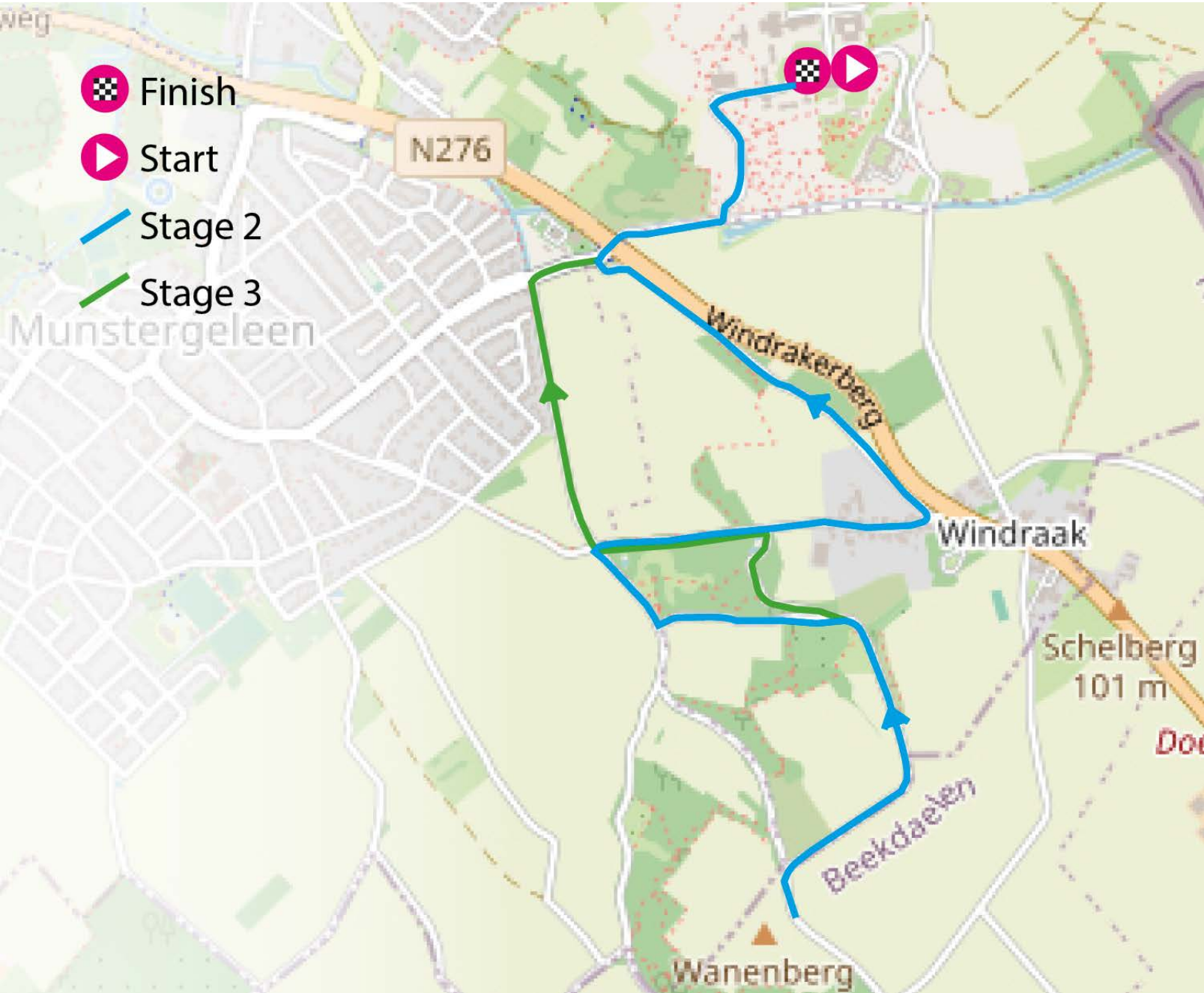
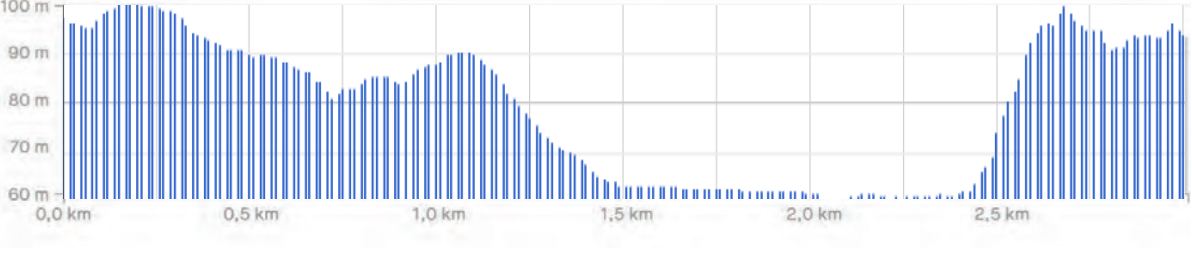
Stage 2

Last 3 km lap (blue line):



Stage 3

Last 3 km lap (green line):



Set up teamcars stage 2 & 3

- Route
- Line-up Teamcars



Detour teamcars stage 2 & 3

- Route
- Detour teamcars



Please pay attention to riders that are finishing the race after you take the detour with your team car. At the red dot you'll be asked to wait briefly by one of our traffic controllers. He will allow you to proceed when it's safe for your own rider.

THE TOWER

Sports Hostel

The Tower is the perfect location for a short-term stay with your team starting from one night to a maximum of a month. The Tower consists of 150 bedrooms spread over multiple floors. Each wing has 10 till 15 single bedrooms and is close to the park restaurant. All bedrooms are equipped with a single bed, a wardrobe, a desk with a chair, a shower and a washbasin with mirror.



[THETOWER-WATERSLEY.COM](https://thetower-watersley.com)



SEPHS HOTEL

Sport as Religion

In the most beautiful part of Sittard, the Watersley Sports & Talentpark, you will find our monumental, sporty, four-star hotel. Connected by our love of sports, healthy living and history, SEPHS Hotel is a place where dreams come true.

And whether you stay here to recover and catch your breath. Whether you come because you need to be in the area or to return home with new dreams.



[SEPHSHOTEL-WATERSLEY.COM](https://sephshotel-watersley.com)



Contact

Interested in booking your stay at Watersley, or do you have any questions? Please contact us, and we will help you further. We are looking forward to welcoming you to our park!

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