IOF World Ranking Event 29.-30.8.2020, Middle distance
Jyväskylä, Finland
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Event website
https://suuntajyvaskyla.fi/kilpailut/sm-keskimatka-2020
https://eventor.orienteering.org/Events/Show/6885

Venue
The Arena will be located on a cultivated field. Route to the Arena and to the official parking area will be signposted from the junction of roads 610 and 16637 between Korpilahti and Luhanka, location 61° 56,925’N, 25° 42,029’E. Parking fee 5 €/car/day, 8 €/2 days.
General map of the region and the embargoed area

The embargoed area is indicated on the map below.

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Event information

**Competition rules**

The rules of Finnish Orienteering Federation and International Orienteering Federation will be applied in the competition. The rules of the Finnish Orienteering Federation are available on the website [https://www.suunnistusliitto.fi/kilpailu/saannot-ja-ohjeet/lajisaannot/](https://www.suunnistusliitto.fi/kilpailu/saannot-ja-ohjeet/lajisaannot/) (only in Finnish).

Spiked shoes are forbidden in the competition, but shoes with studs are permitted.

Competitors shall not use or carry telecommunication (voice or text) equipment between entering the pre-start area and reaching the finish in a race, unless the equipment is approved by the organiser. GPS-enabled devices (watches etc.) can be carried provided that:

- they have no map display
- they have no telecommunication ability
- they are not used for navigation purposes.

However, the organiser has the right to specifically forbid the use of such equipment. The organiser may require competitors to carry a tracking device and/or a GPS data logger.

**Classes and winning times**

Classes M21 and W21 have WRE status. Entry to the competition implies entering a Qualification race. **Middle distance** in WRE classes. Estimated winning times 20-25 min in Qualification race and 30-35 min in Finals.

**Punching system**

The electronic punching system Emit will be used. Rental Emit cards are available from the event organizer, fee 5 €. Need for Emit card rental must be issued with the entry. If the rental Emit card is not returned after the competition there will be a charge of 70 €.

**Event programme**
The first start of the qualifying competition is at 9.30 am on Saturday, 29 August. The first start of the final is at 9.30 am on Sunday, 30 August. A quarantine zone for all M/W 21 competitors on A-final. Details of the quarantine will be published in Bulletin 2.

Entries and entry fees
Entries and payments should be made primarily through IRMA service or alternatively via Eventor (those who don’t have access to IRMA service). All WRE competitors make an entry to classes M/W21 E. **Entry fee in WRE classes is 40,30 €.** Emit card number must be included in the entry. Need for Emit card rental must be issued with the entry. If Emit card number is missing, the organizer will reserve an Emit card and charge 5 €.

The IOF World Ranking system only uses the Latin alphabet from A to Z. It is very important for all runners to check that the information about them is correct. Please check the following: the spelling of your first and last name, year of birth and nationality. If you find any mistakes, please report them via email changes athletedata(at)orienteering.org. When reporting, make sure you add your complete birth date (day, month, year).

It is not possible to pay through Eventor. The bank details for entry fee payment without access to IRMA are as follows:
Account owner: Suunta Jyväskylä ry
Bank name: Nordea
IBAN: FI16 1581 3000 0296 28
BIC: NDEAFIHH
Additional information: Competitor’s name
Entries and payments have to be made no later than **Thursday, 20 August 2020 at 23:59.** No late entries allowed.

IOF ID
WRE athletes have to include their IOF IDs in their entry. Athletes who do not have an IOF ID will get one by registering a user account in IOF Eventor: [https://eventor.orienteering.org/Register](https://eventor.orienteering.org/Register)

Terrain
The terrain consists mainly of forested, rocky hillslopes rich in details but with mainly good runnability, separated by valleys with more dense vegetation. Maximum altitude difference is 75 meters. There are some forest roads and harvesting tracks, very few paths.

Map
Scale: 1:10 000, contour interval: 5 m, offset printing 8/2020. Mapping made by Timo Sivill. The competition maps are in plastic cases.

Climate
In late August the weather in central Finland can be anything from warm and sunny (20-30 degrees Celsius) to chilly, windy and rainy (5–10 degrees C).

Accommodation and food
Take-away café at the arena.

Transport
No transport offered by the organizers. Follow signposting to the official parking area of the event.

Visa requirements
According to current regulations, citizens of some countries must obtain a visa in order to enter Finland. Please check the following website for more information: www.formin.fi. Visas should be applied for at
your closest Finnish embassy. Please note that conditions of entry may change. All participants are advised to keep themselves updated on the situation by consulting their local Finnish embassy.

Training opportunities
Pre-set training courses in typical terrains can be bought from Suunta Jyväskylä (contact: sm2020.harjoitukset (at) suuntajyvaskyla.fi)
Map examples from the courses can be seen at the website https://suuntajyvaskyla.fi/kilpailut/sm-keskimatka-2020/harjoittelu.

Final event instructions and start times
There will be more information on the organizer’s web page https://suuntajyvaskyla.fi/kilpailut/sm-keskimatka-2020 closer to the date of the competition. Bulletin 2 will be published according to the timetable set by IOF rules.