Bulletin 1

IOF World Ranking Event (WRE) orienteering competition, Finnish Championships in Sprint in Juva, Finland, September 11th 2021

Welcome to the Finnish Orienteering Championships in Sprint in Juva with WRE status in the classes of M/W21.

Event organizer: Juvan Urheilijat

Main officials:

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Event information:

Rules: The rules of The Finnish Orienteering Federation, IOF's guidelines for World Ranking Events, the special rules of the Finnish Championships and instructions given by the organizers will be applied in the competition. The rules of The Finnish Orienteering Federation are available on the website www.suunnistusliitto.fi.

Punching system:

The electronic punching system Emit will be used. Rental Emit cards available from the event organizer, fee 10€.

Classes:

The classes of H21 (=M21) and D21 (=W21) have WRE status. To enter the WRE competition, participation in the qualification race is mandatory. Estimated winning times for women and men about 12-15 minutes. The Finnish Championships in Sprint take place at the same time, which offer classes from H/D15 to H/D85. There are about 1600 orienteers in the competition.

Entries and entry fees:

The entry fee of qualifications and A/B finals is 44,00 €. Entry and payment no later than Thursday 2th September. No late entries allowed. Entries and payments primarily through IRMA system. You must include your Emit card number in your entry. If your Emit card number is missing, the organizer will reserve and Emit card for you and charge you 10€. Your rental Emit card should be picked up from the info desk at the event centre. Competitors from abroad with no access to the IRMA system enter through Eventor. The new 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, birth year and nationality. If you find any mistakes, please report them to

changes_AthleteData@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 system are as follows:

Account owner: Juvan Urheilijat Bank name: Suur-Savon OP Bank address: Porrassalmenkatu 19, 50101 Mikkeli, Finland IBAN: FI98 5088 0040 0239 17 BIC: OKOYFIHH

IOF ID:

WRE athletes have to include their IOF IDs in their entry. Athletes who don't yet have an IOF ID will get one by registering a user account in IOF Eventor: <u>https://eventor.orienteering.org/Register</u>

Signposting and venue:

Driving instructions will be signposted from the main roads 5 and 14. Distance from the signposts to the event centre is about 2 km. Signposts are ready from 6.00 pm on Saturday 11th. Event centres navigation address is Hiihtäjäntie 3, Juva, FINLAND. Event centre and parking area are on the field. Distance from parking field to event centre is about 300 meters. The parking fee is $5 \notin$ /vehicle/day, to be paid at the info desk at the event centre.

Competition map:

Scale: 1:4 000. Contour interval: 2,5 m, 6-colour offset printing 9/2021. Mapping made by Kimmo Viertola. The size of the map is A3/A4 in the qualifications and the finals. The maps are in plastic cases.

Map of the area and embargoed area:



Terrain:

Terrain is located in the city of Juva munipalicity. Example of the competition map.



GPS tracking:

Competitors qualified for the A-final are obliged to carry a GPS-tracking device handed out by the organizer.

Training opportunities:

There is no possibility for training.

Timetable of the competition:

The first start of the qualification race on Saturday 11th at 09:00 am. The first start of the A finals on Saturday 11th is at 13:00 pm. The first start of the B finals on is at 13:00 pm.

Food:

A warm lunch will be served at a low cost at the event centre.

Accommodation and travelling to Juva:

Juva is located in South-Savo 270 km from Helsinki to north-east, in the heart of Lakeland Finland. Juva has beautiful manors, numerous destinations of nature, and Lake Saimaa to offer. Did you know that South-Savo is main holiday area of Finland - there are over 10 400 cottages in Mikkeli region!

More information accomodations and travelling: <u>www.juva.fi</u> and <u>https://www.visitmikkeli.fi/mikkeli</u>

Weather and clothing:

In September the weather in the east of Finland could be anything from pleasantly warm and sunny (about 10-18 degrees C) to terribly cold, windy and rainy (about 5-10 degrees C). Competitors should be prepared for changeable weather.

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 and all participants are advised to keep themselves updated on the current situation by consulting their local Finnish Embassy.

Final event instructions, start times and other information:

There will be more information on the organizer's web page closer to the date of the competition. Bulletin 2 will be published on August.

We are looking forward to meeting you in Juva.

Welcome

Juvan Urheilijat