

COMPETITION INVITATION

Finnish Long Distance Orienteering Championships (R1 and R2) will be held in Ylijärvi village in Ylämaa, Lappeenranta, September 3-4, 2022. The competition also serves as a World Ranking Event (WRE).

The competition is organized by Luumäen Rasti ry and Ylämaan Pyrkijät ry.

Any impact of the coronavirus on the organisation of the competition will be communicated as needed on the official website at <https://smpitka2022.fi>

Competition rules

This event follows the rules of the Finnish Orienteering Federation, the IOF guidelines for World Ranking Events, the special rules for the Finnish Championships issued for 2022, and the instructions given by the organisers.

It is forbidden to use spike shoes, studded shoes are allowed.

Courses and estimated times

The estimated winning times are in accordance with the rules. The final course lengths are published in the event information.

Classes

The H15-H21, D15-D21 and H35-H75 classes have a qualifying competition on Saturday, September 3, and the final takes place on Sunday, September 4. The competition is a World Ranking Event (WRE) in the classes H21 and D21. Participation in the above classes also requires participation in the qualifying event. If necessary, Saturday's qualifying classes will be divided into two or more qualifying rounds in accordance with the Orienteering Federation's instructions. Participants in the Finnish Long Distance Orienteering Championships must reach the age of at least 15 during the competition year.

Classes H80-H85 and D35-D85 have a final without qualification on Sunday, September 4.

The B-final will be held on Sunday September 4 in classes H15-H21, D15-D21 and H35-H75 for those who have been eliminated, suspended or disqualified in the qualifying event. If 60 competitors or fewer sign up for the above qualifying classes, everyone who has received an approved performance in the qualifying event will qualify for the A-final and the B-final will not be held in that class. In this case, those who have been eliminated, suspended, disqualified, or did not participate in the qualifiers can participate in the open orienteering on Sunday.

Participation fee

The participation fee for the WRE classes (H21 and D21, qualifiers and finals) is 53 €.

The participation fee for the other two-day FM classes (qualifiers and finals) is 50 €. For one-day classes (no qualifiers), the registration fee is €32.60.

Participation fees must be paid primarily through IRMA.

Foreigners who register for a WRE class through IOF's Eventor must pay their registration fees in euros to:

Account holder: Luumäen Rasti ry

Bank name: Oma Säästöpankki Lappeenranta

Bank address: Valtakatu 32, 53100 Lappeenranta

IBAN: FI78 4108 0011 8016 47

BIC: ITELFIHH

Registration

Registration for all classes is via IRMA for Saturday's qualifying competitions. Foreigners without IRMA ID register via IOF: Eventor (WRE classes H21, D21).

The deadline for registrations is Thursday 25.8.2022 at 24.00. Late registration is not possible.

All competitors registered for the WRE classes (H21, D21) must have an IOF-ID issued by the International Orienteering Federation (IOF). The Finnish Orienteering Federation (SSL) website contains instructions on how to obtain and save the ID in IRMA, <https://www.suunnistusliitto.fi/2016/04/iofn-kilpailijatunnus-irmassa-sen-tarkistaminen-ja-hankkiminen/>

The electronic Emit punching system will be used. The Emit card number must be entered in connection with the registration. If the Emit number has not been entered, an Emit card is reserved by the organizer for a rental fee of 10 €.

The competitor is responsible for checking that the registration has been successful and is correct in the IRMA system. If problems arise, please contact: Panu Karhu, panu.karhu@k ymp.net as soon as possible

Competition Centre

The competition centre is located in Ylijärvi village, Ylämaa, Lappeenranta. At the centre, space has been reserved for the club tents. In addition to the competition functions, the competition center has canteen and café services as well as sales points.

Overnight stay at the competition center is prohibited.

Signposting to the competition center

The signage begins at the intersection of Vaalimaantie No. 387 and Ylijärventie No. 14748. The address of the beginning of the signposting is Ylijärventie 1, Lappeenranta.

The signs will be in place no later than Friday September 2, 2022 from 9 PM onwards.

Parking

Parking is arranged in the immediate vicinity of the competition center as field parking. The parking fee is 5 €/day/car. The parking fee can be paid at the information either in cash or by card.

If you plan to arrive by bus, caravan or motorhome, advance notice must be given to: simola.anni@hotmail.com.

Start and quarantine

The first start of Saturday's qualifiers is at 10:00. On Sunday, the first starts in the A- and B-finals are also at 10:00. The quarantine applies to classes H21 and D21 (both for qualifiers and A-finals). The quarantine zone for Saturday's qualifiers closes at 11.00 and at 11:30 for Sunday's A-final. The routes to the start and quarantine zone are published in the competition information.

Terrain

The competition terrain is a uniform area typical of south Karelia's forest terrain. The hills in the area are partly rocky. Runnability is good in most part of the terrain. The largest elevation differences are 50 meters. The competition map is the first orienteering map compiled of the area.

Map

The scale of the competition map is 1:15'000 for classes H/D15-21, 1:10'000 for classes H/D35-50 and 1:7'500 for classes H/D55-85. The contour interval is 5 m for all classes. The map is made by Janne Weckman. The map is offset printed (CMYK) and the map also

describes outcrop. The map will be printed in August 2022. The maps are in size A3 and are available in plastic cases.

Stamping method

The Emit punching system will be used. A rental card is reserved for competitors who have not entered an Emit card number at the time of registration. Rental cards are collected from the information for a fee of 10 EUR. 80 EUR will be charged for non-returned cards. Competitors using the wrong punching card are disqualified. The competitors are responsible for using the Emit card marked on the start list.

Changing rooms, washing corner and toilets

The competition center has a limited space for club tents. Tents must be firmly attached to the ground. The washing corner is adjacent to the competition center. There are toilets in the competition centre and close to the starting points.

Canteen

The competition center offers lunch and café services both days.

Awards

Prizes are awarded to the top three in all Finnish Championship classes. The positions 4-10 in classes H/D 15-21 and 4-6 in classes H/D 35-70 are rewarded with a plaque.

In addition, good honorary awards are awarded for the top three in each class.

Training and open orienteering

The organizers offer training opportunities in the terrain next to the competition terrain. Information on the organizers' website <https://smpitka2022.fi>.

An open class orienteering is organized on Sunday. The map fee is 10 euros. Registration for this class and further information about the event can be obtained from the competition info.

Accommodation

Information about accommodation will be updated on the competition's website <https://smpitka2022.fi>.

Organizers

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Welcome to Ylijärvi

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