

Bulletin 1

Finnish Ski-O Championships Middle Distance and IOF World Ranking Event (WRE)

Finnish Ski-O Championships Middle Distance 26 February 2022, Iisalmi, Finland. The organizer is orienteering club Iisalmen Visa.

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Main Officials

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Venue and embargoed area

The competition centre is located in Peltosalmi, ca. 7 km from the centre of Iisalmi. Driving will be signposted from road 563. Navigator address is Peltosalmentie 11, Iisalmi. Parking is principally near the Kauppis-Heikki School, max. 500m from the competition centre.



Event venue is embargoed until event starting November 2021.

Competition rules and classes

Competition rules for IOF Foot Orienteering Events, IOF's World Ranking Events Manual, special instructions concerning Finnish Championships and instructions given on the competition day by the organizers shall be followed.

Bulletin 2 will be published on the organizer's web pages and IOF Eventor one week prior to the event latest.

WRE includes only classes M21 and W21.

Competition classes in the Finnish Championships are 15 – 85.

Winning time

Estimated winning times in competition are within the IOF and SSL (Finnish Orienteering Federation) rules and quidelines.

Punching system

The electronic system EmiTag will be used. Rental emitag cards are available from the event organizer, fee 5€.

Мар

Scale 1:10 000. Contour interval: 5 m. 6-colour offset printing 2/2022. Field survey made by Pasi Jokelainen.

Event schedule

Competition office ("Info") is opened 08.00 AM. First start of competition is 10.00 AM. First starts in WRE classes will be 12.00 AM.

*) Times are preliminary and subject to change.

Entry fees and registration

Entries have to be at IOF Eventor* on February 17th 2022 at latest. Entry fee is 38,70 € in WRE-classes. Late entries are not accepted.

Payments have to be made on February 17th 2022 at latest. For the payment identification, please write the full name and class of the competitor to the note in the payment order.

Bank account information for entry fees:

Account owner: lisalmen Visa ry.

IBAN: FI6050680620275022

SWIFT/BIC: OKOYFIHH

Bank name: Pohjois-Savon Osuuspankki

Bank address: Savonkatu 17, Fin-74101 lisalmi, Finland

*) Finnish citizens and competitors representing a Finnish club register through the IT-system of the Finnish Orienteering Federation, IRMA.

Visa requirements

Citizens of certain countries must obtain a visa in order to enter Finland. Please visit the website of Ministry of Foreign Affairs to get more information: www.formin.fi The visa should be applied at the nearest Finnish Embassy. Please note that conditions of entry to Finland can change and, therefore, participants are advised to keep up to date with the current situation by consulting their local Finnish Embassy.

Terrain

Terrain with small height differences is mostly easily passable pine forest.

Ban on fluorinated waxing products

There are two current European Union regulations, (EC) No. 1907/2006 ("REACH") and (EU) 2019/1021 ("POP regulation"), which state that it is forbidden to produce, sell and use products (ski-waxes) containing PFOA (also termed C8 products). In line with similar decisions by FIS and the IBU, the IOF has decided to declare that the use of PFOA/C8 products is forbidden at IOF events, including World Ranking Events. This means that all PFOA/C8 products are banned while so-called C6 products are still allowed for the season 2021/2022. Due to the fact that immediate and cost-effective testing methods, which are under development, are not yet in place, the IOF will be requiring athletes and teams participating at IOF events to make a declaration of conformity to the new regulations. The IOF will have the right to inspect waxing products used, and to conduct laboratory testing if necessary. A signed declaration is mandatory for participation/accreditation at any IOF event.

Participants in World Ranking classes will have to give declaration that they understand and agree to the prohibition of C8 waxing products. Without a signed declaration, start is not allowed. Signing will be done at Competition office/ Info.

Start times and final event details

The organizer will publish online (at IOF Eventor) more detailed information, including start times, closer to the date of event. The start lists of the race will be formed according to IOF World Ranking. Bulletin 2 will be published in February. Useful information source is also the competition homepage at https://www.iisalmenvisa.com/fi/suunnistus/hiihtosuunnistuksen-sm-keskimatka-ja--viesti-2022/

Covid-19

Competitors are asked to follow the instructions below to ensure Corona Safety:

- You can only enter the competition in good health!

- In the parking area and from there when moving to the competition center and in the competition center, we ask you to take care of adequate safety clearances

- It is recommended to use the mask indoors
- Competitors are asked to take care of hand hygiene
- Safety distances must be maintained after arrival at the finish and during stamp inspection

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