Bulletin 1

IOF World Ranking Event (WRE), Finnish Top League Event Finnish Championships Middle Distance



21 May 2017, Ponsa, Kangasala, Finland

The organizer is orienteering club Kangasala SK.

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Venue and embargoed area

The competition centre is located in Ponsa, ca. 20 km north of the Kangasala centre. See the old map and details about embargoed area at organizer's web page sm2017.kangasalask.fi.

Driving will be signposted from rural road 58 (Kangasala-Orivesi) ca. 19 km from Kangasala. 5 min further driving on the signposted route. Parking is principally on the field, max. 900 m from the competition centre. Parking fee 5 €/vehicle.

Competition rules and classes

Competition rules of the Finnish Orienteering Federation (FOF), IOF's guidelines for World Ranking Events, special instructions concerning Finnish Champonships and instructions given on the competition day by the organizers shall be followed. Preliminary instructions will be published on the organizer's web pages two days prior to the event latest.

Competition classes in the Finnish Championships are M/W21, 20, 18, 16 and 15. WRE includes classes M/W21.

Punching system

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

Map

Scale 1:10 000. Contour interval: 5 m. 6-colour offset printing 5/2017. Field survey made by Janne Weckman.

Event schedule

The event consists of two races: a qualification race in the morning and a final race in the afternoon.

Competition office ("Info") is opened 07.30 AM

First start of qualification 09.00 AM

First start of A-final* W21 12.00 PM**

First start of A-final* M21 13.35 PM**

First start of B-finals* M/W21 15.30 PM**

- *) A-final refers to the race for Finnish Championship. B-final refers to the national competition arranged for the runners not qualified for the A-final. WRE points will be awarded in both finals.
- **) Times are preliminary and subject to change.

Entry fees and registration

Entries and payments have to be at IOF Eventor* on 11 May 2017 at latest. Entry fee is 34,85 € in all classes. Late entries not accepted.

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*) 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

The competition terrain is technically demanding, detailed rocky hill terrain. High cliffs (5–20 m) which are not crossable! Runnability is good.

GPS tracking

Competitors qualified for the A-final are obliged to carry a GPS-tracking device handed out by the organizer. A-finals will be broadcasted on TV and internet.

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 qualification race will be formed according to IOF World Ranking. Bulletin 2 will be published in May. Useful information sources is also homepage sm2017.kangasalask.fi.

Accommodation and training

Please visit organizer's web pages for training opportunities and accommodation in Kangasala. You will also find suitable accommodation at http://visitkangasala.fi/

Welcome to Kangasala and exciting forest of Ponsa!

Kangasala SK

