



Bulletin 1

The Finnish Championships in sprint (SM-sprint) and WRE event in Forssa on Sunday 22nd September 2019

The competition centre is Forssa market square. Forssa is located in southern Finland, about 110 kilometres from Helsinki airport and about 95 kilometres from Turku harbour.

The competition area is embargoed and therefore orienteering and any kind of training or preparation for the race with a map is forbidden there. Otherwise access is allowed. The embargoed area is shown at smsprint2019.fi.

It is forbidden for all competitors to enter the competition area from 8th September onwards with the following exceptions. Public transport through the area may be used. It is allowed to stay at hotels in the embargoed area the night before the event.

Classes W21 and M21

The estimated winning time is 12-15 minutes in finals and 10-12 minutes in qualifications.

The entry fee is 38.65 euros. Account owner: Lounais-Hämeen Rasti. Bank: Lounaismaan Osuuspankki. Bank address: Sibeliuksenkatu 3, 30300 FORSSA, Finland. IBAN FI19 5025 0220 2060 23, SWIFT/BICC OKOYFIHH.

Registration at the latest on Thursday 12th September at 12pm by using IRMA registration system provided by the Finnish Orienteering Federation. No late entries. All participants attending WRE must have a valid ID issued by the International Orienteering Federation. Non-Finnish participants representing foreign clubs register by using IOF Eventor.

Signposts from Highway (Valtatie) 2. Traffic from south drives via Loimalammintie and all the others via Jokioistentie. Signposts are ready at 7 am.

Parking area is about 800 metres from the competition centre. It is free of charge.

The starting times will be published at smsprint2019.fi on Thursday 19th September. The start lists in qualifications are based on sprint World Ranking on 13th September and Finnish online sprint ranking at 11th September.

Mandatory qualification

The first start is at 9 am. Quarantine for all classes closes at 9.05 am. Distance from the competition centre to the quarantine is 1500 metres. Distance from the quarantine to the start is 100 metres. In class W21 40 and in class M21 50 competitors will qualify to the A finals.

Finals

The first start of B finals at 1 pm and in A finals at 2.30 pm. Quarantine for all classes closes at 1.15 pm. Distance from the competition centre to the quarantine is 1200 metres. Distance from the quarantine to the start is 100 metres.

The map is a printed sprint orienteering map. Scale 1:4000. Contour interval 2 metres. Maps are in plastic covers.

Punching system: Emit.

Spiked or studded shoes are not allowed to use.

Café at the competition centre and a restaurant offering lunch nearby.

At the end of September **the weather** in southern Finland can be anything from warm and sunny (up to 20 degrees C) to chilly, windy and rainy (2–10 degrees C). Competitors should be prepared for all weather.

Accommodation: More information at www.forssanseutu.fi

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Welcome!

Loimaan Jankko, Lounais-Hämeen Rasti and Punkalaitumen Kunto