**FINNISH WOMEN’S MATCH RACING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**18-19.9 2021**

# **WASA SEGELFÖRENING rf**

**Grade 3**

**NOTICE OF RACE**

**1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

The Organising Authority (OA) will be Wasa Segelförening rf

**2** **VENUE**

The venue will be Vasa, Finland.

**3 EVENT GRADING**

The event has applied for World Sailing Grade 3.

This grading is subject to review by World Sailing. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

**4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME**

4.1 (a) Race office open from 17.9 and 15.00.

(b) Registration from 17.9 and 15.00 until 18.9 and 09.00.

(c) Crew weighing from 17.9 and 15.00 until 18.9 and 09.00.

(d) Practice from 17.9 and 15.00 until 21.00.

(e) First briefing on 18.9 at 10.00.

(f) First meeting with umpires following the first briefing.

(g) Racing days from 18.9 to 19.9.

(h) Time of the first race each day will be at 11.00.

(i) There will be no warning signal after 16.00 on 19.9.

(i) Prize giving on 19.9i mmediately after racing.

4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

a) Initial briefing for skippers.

(b) Daily briefing for skippers.

(c) Prize giving for skippers and crews participating in the final and petit final.

(d) Prize giving for the final skippers and crews.

**5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY**

5.1 12 skippers will be invited. Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event. 10 Finnish skippers will be invited based on the ISAF ranking list at force on August 1. There will be 2 wild cards.

5.2 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.

5.3 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of the invitation in writing, e-mail is acceptable to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.

5.4 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19.2.

5.5 All competitors shall obtain an World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing Sailor ID at registration.

**6 ENTRIES**

6.1 **Entering**

The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. All payments shall be made by credit card, cash or bank transfer.

6.2 **Entry Fee**

A non-refundable entry fee of 350 euros shall be paid by August 30 2020.

6.3 **Withdrawal**

When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within two months of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their Ranking points for that event by World Sailing. (World Sailing Regulation 27.2)

**6.**4 **Damage deposit**

An obligation of responsibility of 1100 euros shall be signed at registration. 1.100 euro is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.

**6.4 Insurance**

All competitors are required to have adequate third-party insurance.

**7 RULES**

7.1 (a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, including Appendix C.

(b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.

(c) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply will be posted on the official notice board.

**8 BOATS AND SAILS**

8.1 The event will be sailed in J22 type boats.

8.2 6 boats will be provided.

8.3 The following sails will be provided for each boat: mainsail, jib and spinnaker.

8.4 Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the race committee.

**9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)**

9.1 The maximum number of crew (including the skipper) is 4. All registered crew shall sail all races.

9.2 **Crew Weighing**

The total weight of the crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 272 kg, determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the RC.

9.3 Crew weight may be checked during the regatta. At any re-weighing the total weight limit is increased by 10 kg. Any crew weighing in excess of this increased limit shall not be penalised, but they shall reduce their weight to the increased weight limit before racing again.

9.4 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the RC/OA may authorise an original crew member to substitute.

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**10 EVENT FORMAT**

10.1 Skippers will be seeded into a round robin or divided into two/three/four groups based on seeding/draw/results in previous competition/World Sailing ranking list 30 days prior to the event.

10.2 The event will consist of the following stages:

(a) Skippers will be divided into two groups based on the latest ISAF ranking list 30 days prior to the event.

(b) The event will consist of the following stages:

Stage 1, a round robin (in groups)

Stage 2, a complementary round robin

Stage 3, Semi Final/Final

10.3 The RC may change the format, terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favour of later stages.

**11 COURSE**

11.1 The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.

11.2 The intended course area will be Norra Stadsfjärden.

**12 ADVERTISING**

12.1 As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organising Authority, World Sailing regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.

12.2 Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

**13 PRIZES**

13.1 There will be Finnish championship medals for the 3 first placed Finnish teams.

13.2 There will be no prize money.

**14 DELETED**

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**17 DISCLAIMER**

All those taking any part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

**18 INVITATIONS**

Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers. If you wish to be invited please register your request for an invitation as soon as possible with the OA by completing the attached form.

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**FINNISH OPEN MATCH RACING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**18-19.9 2020**

**REQUEST FOR INVITATION**

**Skipper’s name:**

**Current ISAF ranking:**

**Nation and club represented:**

**ISAF Sailor ID:**

**Date:**

**Address:**

**Phone:**

**E-mail:**

**Crew names:**

**1:** **Nation:**

**2:** **Nation:**

**3:** **Nation:**

**Request shall reach WSF, the OA, no later than August 30th 2020.**

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