

Espoo Suursaari Race

8-10 June 2018

Espoon Merenkävijät EMK
Espoon Pursiseura EPS
Esbo Segelförening ESF
Kivenlahden Venekerho KLV

Haukilahti, Espoo, Finland

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by

- 1.1. the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*. ORC, IRC and LYS rules and regulations will apply.
- 1.2. RRS Part 2 is replaced by the right-of-way rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) between sunset and sunrise.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between languages the Finnish text will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats shall be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to boats having a valid class 1 or 2 inspection certificate of The Finnish Sailing Federation (www.spv.fi) or a similar certificate issued by another national body.
- 3.2. A boat racing in the ORC, IRC, First 31.7 or LYS class also has to meet the corresponding class rules.
- 3.3. Double Handed class (DH) will be sailed with a two person crew, and the same crew must have sailed at least 2 times an 80 nautical miles leg before the race.
- 3.4. In all other classes the crew shall consist of a minimum of three persons.
- 3.5. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form at www.suursaarirace.fi, and paying the required fee by 31st May 2018. The fee is paid via the entry form.

4 CLASSES AND HANDICAP SYSTEMS

The following scoring options will apply.

Class	Handicap system	Number of classes
Open	None	
First 31.7	None	
ORC	Ocean for PCS	According to the Finnish Offshore Racing Association's class division
IRC	Time on time	1-2 classes according to the number of entries
LYS	Time on distance	2-4 classes according to the number of entries
DH	LYS time on distance	

Introducing other classes will be agreed separately with class associations or class committees. The organizer reserves the right to change the class divisioning.

5 FEES

Required fees are as follows:

- 5.1. The registration fee is 140 € when the boat has been entered and paid latest on 6th May 2018. After that the entry fee is 170 € for the Cruising class and 150 € for other classes.
- 5.2. The entry fee will be paid online when making the entry at www.suursaarirace.fi.
- 5.3. When an entry is cancelled on 31st May 2018 or earlier, the entry fee will be refunded. Office expenses of 20€ will be subtracted from the refunded fee. No refunds for entries cancelled after 31st May 2018.

6 SCHEDULE

- 31st May 2018 The last day to enter the race. Entry form at www.suursaarirace.fi
- 7th June 2018 Registration and handing out the sailing instructions from 18:00 to 20:00, Race office at EMK, Mellstenintie 12
- 8th June 2018 Race office open from 15:00 at EMK, Mellstenintie 12
- 8th June 2018 Measurement and inspection from 15:00 to 18:00 at EMK, Mellstenintie 12
- 8th June 2018 Skippers meeting at 18:00 at EMK, Mellstenintie 12
- 8th June 2018 First start at 20:00 at Miessaaren selkä, south of Haukilahti, Espoo

7 MEASUREMENTS, INSPECTIONS AND EQUIPMENT

7.1. Measurement

Each boat shall produce a valid rating certificate dated 31st May 2018 or earlier.

For IRC boats, a non-endorsed certificate will be accepted.

A LYS boat that is not listed in the FIN-LYS chart, or that does not fully comply with the measures in the chart, will need a LYS certificate. Such certificate is granted by Finnish Sailing Federation's LYS officer, and the issued certificate has to be found from the list of valid LYS certificates (<http://www.avomeripurjehtijat.fi/> -> LYS -> Todistukset).

7.2. Inspection

When picking up the sailing instructions, a boat has to present a valid class 1 or 2 inspection certificate of The Finnish Sailing Federation (www.spv.fi) or similar certificate issued by another national body.

Safety inspections are carried out 8th June 2018 between 15:00 and 19:00 at EMK. The boats that will be inspected will be announced when picking up the sailing instructions.

Any boat may be inspected after finishing.

7.3. Equipment

In addition to the normal inspection equipment, each boat shall carry the following items:

- VHF-radio of which antenna has been installed at least 2 meters above the deck
- License for the VHF
- Jacklines installed on the deck
- A tether for every crew member
- Spare navigation lights (for example functioning separate red and green flashlight)

7.4. Sea charts

Each boat shall carry the following Finish sea charts:

- General charts 951 and 952
- Offshore charts 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 or sea chart set A: Viipuri - Helsinki

7.5. Recommended items

- Life raft

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at the race office on Thursday 7th June between 18:00 and 20:00 and 8th June starting at 15:00.

9 VENUE

The starting and finishing harbor is EMK, Mellstenintie12, Haukilahti, 02160 Espoo, Finland

10 COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be as follows.

10.1. Short course:

The race starts from Haukilahti, runs via Kalbådagrund and Kotka lighthouses, rounds the island Suursaari clockwise, and runs back the same route finishing in Haukilahti. The approximate course length is 156 NM.

10.2. Long course:

The race starts from Haukilahti, runs via Helsinki, Kalbådagrund and Kotka lighthouses, rounds the island Suursaari clockwise, and runs back the same route finishing in Haukilahti. The approximate course length is 168 NM.

The courses will be described in detail in the Sailing Instructions.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

The penalties are as follows:

11.1. A boat that was on the course side of the starting line at the moment of its starting time (OCS) and did not correct the error and sailed the course, will be given a penalty of adding 5% to its sailed time. This changes rules 28.1 and A4.2.

11.2. If a boat breaks one of the rules in parts 4 or 6, it may be penalized by adding 3-5% to its sailed time instead of disqualifying it.

12 BERTHING

Boats coming from out of town have a possibility to berth for one week before and after the race in one of the harbours of EMK, ESF, EPS or KLV.

13 PRIZES

The prize giving ceremony will be held on Tuesday, 12th June 2018 at 19:00. The venue will be announced in the sailing instructions.

Prizes will be given according to the Finnish Sailing Federation (www.spv.fi) prize giving recommendation. Challenge Cups will be awarded, for more information, please see www.suursaarirace.fi.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the race.

15 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 250 000€ per incident for material and 500 000€ for personal injuries, or the equivalent.

16 PASSPORTS AND VISAS

- 16.1. All crew members of a participating boat must have a valid passport on board. The arranging body has applied for a permission to sail around Suursaari without a visa. If the permission will be denied an alternative course will be sailed.
- 16.2. When retrieving the sailing instructions, a boat must return the filled crew list to the race office.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact

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