Memo for the Nordic ARDF Championships in Göteborg 2005

80 m, Saturday, July 30, at 14:00 2 m, Sunday, July 31, at 10:00

All competitors are requested to read this document. Most of the information will not be given in any other way.

Rules

"Rules for the Nordic ARDF Championships" are available on the Championship website www.sk6gsa.se/nm2005, in Swedish and English. The two versions are intended to have the same contents, but in case of conflict, the English version takes precedence.

Championship Office

The Championship Office is located at a table in the lobby of "Partille Vandrarhem". Announcements will be posted near the table. The office is manned on July 29, 12:00-18:00, July 30, 10:00-14:00, and July 31, 08:00-10:00.

Maps

- Scale 1:15,000 (80 m) and 1:10,000 (2 m)
- Altitude curves 5 m apart (both maps)
- Plain paper (no cardboard)
- The competition area is in A4 format on both maps.
- A local symbol for "lumbering" (skogsarbete) is included. Entering a "skogsarbete" area is allowed, but running may be impeded by ditches and twigs.
- Emergency telephone numbers are printed on the maps.

Banned area

A circle around "Partille Vandrarhem" with a radius of 10 km is banned for all competitors from July 17 until the competition starts. Exceptions are paved roads and the ground within sight of Partille Vandrarhem. Competitors entering the banned area are subject to disqualification.

Frequency

The 80 meter transmitters use 3.535 MHz. The 2 meter transmitters use 144.810 MHz.

Controls

The distance between start and any control is at least 750 m; between any control and finish at least 400 m; and between controls at least 400 m. The five controls transmit cyclically one minute each, with control 1 beginning at 14:00, 14:05, etc., for 80 m and at 10:00, 10:05, etc., for 2 m. Each control is marked with a small orienteering screen.

SportIdent

The control and finish registration will be done electronically by the use of SportIdent sticks, which will be lent to the competitors. Only these sticks may be used. When a competitor registers at a control, a light flashes and a sound is heard. Information about the SportIdent system is given at the start. Traditional needle stamps will be used as a backup if the SportIdent system fails at a control. Use the map as a stamping card, and (optionally) note the time in case it might influence your ranking. A competitor who loses the stick is disqualified and has furthermore to pay the stick.

Starting order

Competitors start in 5 minute intervals. Start groups are randomized and announced July 30, at 13.30 (80 m) and July 31, at 9.30 (2 m) at the Championship Office.

Start corridors

The start of the **80 meter** race goes along two corridors. In the **2 meter** race, all competitors use one corridor. The end of each corridor is marked with two green flags. No direction finding is allowed before passing the green flags.

Start time and procedure

80 meter, July 30

- 13:15 Gathering outside the main entrance of Partille Vandrarhem. Group photo. Transportation to the start location.
- 13:30 Final announcements
- 13:45 All receivers are turned off and placed on the designated table in zone 2. Gathering in zone 0.
- 14:00 Start for group 1
- 14:05 Start for group 2
- etc.

2 meter, July 31

- 09:05 Gathering at the Championship Office. Group photo. Transportation to the start location.
- 09:30 Final announcements
- 09:40 All receivers are turned off and placed on the designated table in zone 2. Gathering in zone 0.
- 10:00 Start for group 1
- 10:05 Start for group 2, etc.

The following times apply for each start group:

- 10 min before start: Enter zone 1; obtain map and SportIdent stick. Adhesive tape is available for your map preparations.
- 5 min before start: Enter zone 2; take your receiver without turning it on
- Start: Start along your corridor. The receiver may be turned on but *must be kept in the same general orientation*. No direction finding is allowed before passing the green flags at the end of the corridor.

Finish

The finish location is marked on the map with a double circle and consists of a SportIdent registration point (with two equivalent SportIdent units), marked by an orienteering screen. The finish can be approached from any direction. There is no finish corridor and no finish beacon. The SportIdent stick shall be returned at the finish.

Scoring and maximum time

The maximum competition time is 2.5 hours. No controls may be registered after the maximum time. All competitors who register at the finish within 2.5 hours after their individual start time are ranked before those who do not, regardless of the number of controls registered.

For competitors who finish within 2.5 hours, the ranking is computed based on (1) the number of controls registered and (2) the elapsed time (individual finish time minus start time). For competitors who do not reach the finish point within 2.5 hours, the ranking is computed based on (1) the number of controls registered within 2.5 hours and (2) the elapsed time when registering the last of these controls. All competitors must register at the finish.

The results are announced at the Championship Office no later than 18:00 (80 m) and 14:00 (2 m).

Jury and protests

A competition jury is appointed by the jury chairman and announced at the Championship Office before July 30, 14:00. Any protest must be written and handed in to the jury chairman no later than July 30, 18:30 (80 m) and July 31, 14:30 (2 m) in order to be considered. The jury chairman is Bengt Lindberg, phone 0705-984200.

