

Finn Gold Cup 2013
Kalev Yacht Club
23rd August 2013 to 31st August 2013
NOTICE OF RACE

1. Organizing Authority and Venue

- 1.1. The 2013 Finn Gold Cup will be held from 23rd August to 31st August, 2013 in Tallinn, Estonia.
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority is the Kalev Yacht Club in conjunction with the International Finn Association and the Estonian Finn Class Association.

2. Rules

- 2.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the International Finn Class Major Championship rules. These may be changed, where permitted, by the sailing instructions.
- 2.2. ISAF Addendum Q will apply to Medal Races. The version to be used will be available on the ISAF website on the first day of the event unless printed in the sailing instructions.
- 2.3. No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 2.4. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 2.5. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority. Such advertising, if any, shall be displayed in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.6. All competitors will be required to wear an adequate personal floatation device at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. Eligible competitors shall be current members of an IFA recognised National Finn Association. They shall complete on-site registration prior to 25th August 2013, unless the Organizing Authority extends this date.
- 3.2. The entry quota of Part D "Entry System for IFA Official Championships" of the Finn Class Rules will apply.
- 3.3. Entries shall be submitted online prior to 23rd July 2013, unless extended by the Organizing Authority. The entry form is available at www.finngoldcup.org/2013/.
- 3.4. The Entry Fee is 175 € and shall be paid in full by 23rd July 2013 as detailed on the entry form.
- 3.5. An entry is not complete until any entry fees have been paid, the entry has been accepted by the Organizing Authority and the International Finn Association, and registration has been completed.
- 3.6. Measurement Certificates shall be presented or their existence verified at on-site registration in accordance with RRS 78.2.

4. Competition Format

- 4.1. Eleven races are scheduled, comprising a fleet series and a medal race or final race.
- 4.2. The ten boats ranked highest in the fleet series will be assigned to compete in the medal race, the remaining boats will be assigned to compete in the final race.
- 4.3. This format may be changed with the approval of the IFA and will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

5. Event Schedule

- 5.1. The event schedule may be changed with the approval of the IFA and will be specified in the Sailing Instructions, however, the days allocated for racing will not be changed.

Date	Event	Time	Location
Fri, 23 August	Measurement/Registration	9.30 – 18.00	Kalev Yacht Club
Sat, 24 August	Measurement/Registration	9.30 – 18.00	Kalev Yacht Club

Sun, 25 August	Measurement/Registration	9.30 – 12.30	Kalev Yacht Club
Sun, 25 August	Opening Ceremony	19.30	tbd
Sun, 25 August	Competitor's Meeting	13.00	Kalev Yacht Club, Sailors Tent
Sun, 25 August	Practice Race	15.00	Waters of Tallinn Bay
Mon, 26 August	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal	12.00	Waters of Tallinn Bay
Tue, 27 August	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal	12.00	Waters of Tallinn Bay
Wed, 28 August	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal	12.00	Waters of Tallinn Bay
Thu, 29 August	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal	12.00	Waters of Tallinn Bay
Fri, 30 August	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal	12.00	Waters of Tallinn Bay
Sat, 31 August	Racing (1 race scheduled) Medal Race and Final Race First Warning Signal	12.00	Waters of Tallinn Bay
Sat, 31 August	Closing Ceremony & Prize Giving	ASAP	Kalev Yacht Club

6. Schedule of Races and Attendance at Ceremonies

- 6.1. Two races are scheduled for each day of racing, except for the final day when the Medal Race & Final Race are scheduled. An additional race may be scheduled on any day to enable the full number of scheduled races to be sailed. A maximum of three races per day will be sailed. This schedule may be changed to fit with any changes to NOR 4 and 5 permitted by the IFA.
- 6.2. Succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous races.
- 6.3. No warning signal will be made after 15.30 hours on Sat, 31 August.
- 6.4. All participants are requested by the International Finn Class and the Organizing Authority to attend the Opening and Closing Ceremonies.

7. Measurement

- 7.1. All boats shall undergo measurement of hulls, spars and sails as well as equipment checks according the Finn Class Rules (including item 10 of Part C "Major Championship Rules") unless otherwise decided by the IFA Chief Measurer. All measured equipment will be identified for the Championship. Only identified equipment may be used during the Championship.
- 7.2. All competitors shall hold a valid measurement and class registration certificate.
- 7.3. Measurement and equipment checks may be made throughout the Regatta at the discretion of the Class Representative, Race Committee or the International Jury.

8. Sailing Instructions

- 8.1. The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available at on-site registration. A preliminary version may be posted on the event website prior to this date.

9. Racing Area

- 9.1. The intended race-course area will be Tallinn Bay. See Attachment A.

10. Courses

- 10.1. Courses will be as per the current IFA Championship Rules.

11. Scoring

- 11.1. Four races shall be completed to constitute the event.

- 11.2. Five races shall be completed to constitute the fleet series.
- 11.3. The Low Point Scoring system will be amended in the SI to account for medal races.
- 11.4. Scoring may be changed to fit with changes to NOR 4 and 5 permitted by the IFA

12. International Jury

- 12.1. An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix N and perform the duties listed in RRS N2.
- 12.2. Decisions of the Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

13. Prizes

- 13.1. The class perpetual trophies will be awarded, including the winner of the Finn Gold Cup. The Organizing Authority will provide prizes for the top 10 boats overall and top 3 juniors.
- 13.2. Daily prizes will be awarded to the boats finishing first in each race.

14. Insurance

- 14.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €1,000,000 or the equivalent thereof in any other currency for any one incident. By entering the event each competitor declares that they hold such insurance.
- 14.2. Insurance can be obtained through ERGO: www.ergo.ee.

15. Media Consent: Rights to use Names & Likenesses

- 15.1. Competitors and / or their Guardians automatically grant the Organizing Authority, the International Finn Association and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television, or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.

16. Disclaimer of Liability

- 16.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will require each competitor to sign a waiver for loss, damage or injury to persons or properties occurring in conjunction with the regatta or on the Yacht Club premises. The Organizing Authority and the International Finn Association, and their respective members, employees, officers and/or agents shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to person or property whether ashore or at sea as a consequence of the participation of any boat.

17. Information

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ATTACHMENT A

