

Minutes of IOF Map Commission Meeting held on 5th -6th August 2015 in Inverness, Scotland–

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Present:

Håvard Tveite NOR (HT) – Chairman,
Thomas Gloor SUI (TG),
Flemming Hjorth Jensen DEN (FHJ),
Jean-Philippe Stefanini FRA (JPS)

Excused Erik Peckett GBR (EP),
Ales Hejna CZE (AH)

1 Agenda for the Meeting MC2015-02 and the Minutes of the previous meeting MC 2015-01 .

- the agenda for the meeting was approved. JPS would take the minutes
- The minutes of the previous meeting MC2015-1 held on 16th and 17th January 2015 was approved

2 Correspondence and Activities since the last meeting:

HT has listed the correspondance in a document. About 370 MC related emails since the January meeting.

2015 March: Rules deviation ISR, EA's "permit" revoked: After a report from a competitor, it was discovered that for the WRE middle distance in ISR 21/2-2015 the map scale 1:7500 had been used. This lead to the dispensation of the EA's accreditation for two years (council decision).

Request from IOF SG Tom Hollowel on the legal protection of the IOF Map Specification. HT had no opinion on this issue and finally Council encouraged France to seek protection in France (and only in France).

On Monday August 3rd, HT had a meeting with the Foot commission which will start a working group on scale issue.

3 Clinics - status report

Request from Unni Strand Karlsen, FOC and RC, for feedback on material for a WOC 2015 seminar on course setting. HT supplied comments, FHJ provided some material .

FHJ has been in contact with Sweden for a Clinic

4 Map specifications update (Ski-O, MTB-O, Sprint)

HT had contact with Emily Benham, MTBO who is leading a group working on possible modifications.

A mistake in the ISSkiOM (wrong colour number – 345 instead of 354 in one instance). was discovered and corrected; notification was sent to EAs

5 Ongoing projects status reports

Map colours project:

TG had two A2 and two A3 test prints made, which he brought to the January meeting. JPS is maintaining a spreadsheet with input on colour deficiency issues. JPS has also done an analysis of the results. It seems difficult to include the results of this survey in the work already done for the ISOM201X revision. JPS made a short summary of the results (numbers of answers, main problems listed, numbers of people facing these problems, ...). AUS is still providing some input, and is keen to help.

Some request for approval of WRE printing have been received, evaluated and answered.

HT received test prints from Australia from a Fujitsu Xerox Versant 80 Press. The results looked very promising.

Information on the PrintTech project is now available on the IOF page :

<http://orienteering.org/resources/mapping/test-sheetfor-assessing-print-quality-for-orienteering-maps/>

WRE printing, feedback:

Reports are being generated and sent to the IOF secretariat, but thus far only the Ski-O reports from 2013/2014 (three reports in total) have been sent to organisers (none to EAs and federations). HT had a meeting with David Wästlund (the new Sports Administrator) during the WOC2015 week to discuss this. HT reminded him the fact that the map commission is strongly wishing that the IOF office would send map evaluation feedback to the WRE organizers, EAs and federations.

6 World Championships mapping - progress reports.

- 2015, Great Britain: EP EP has provided input to the organisers on minimum dimensions and on printing of the sprint relay map.
- 2016, Sweden: FHJ It seems that there may be some legibility issues as too many details are mapped. The SEA is fully aware of these issues as is the organizing committee. The MC can't do more than to back the SEA.
- 2017, Estonia: AH ("appointed" September 2014) Initially there was some interest for having AH come to visit some terrains. No news on this.
- 2018, Latvia: TG has been asked to be the MC mapping adviser (SEA is Urs Hofer, SUI). But presently it is not confirmed.

7 Deviation requests:

Potential deviation request from NZL, but the IOF cancelled the WRE status of the events due to problems with the general quality assurance of the events.

Belgium use of non-standard symbols

HT had some correspondence with EA Henrik Lisby. Finally there will be no request for deviation (ISOM symbol to be used instead of national symbol).

WC Final SUI 2015 – forbidden area request

HT had some correspondence with SEA Jerzy Antonowicz asking for a change of semantics for the settlement symbol (olive green) on an ISOM map to make it forbidden to enter. HT pointed out that there are two good options within the ISOM (528 permanently out of bounds and overprint symbol 709 (out_of-bounds area). The organisers will probably apply for a deviation.

8 ISOM201x

Since the January meeting, HT has worked some more on the symbol part and FHJ and LZ has started the preparation of the final document (in CorelDraw).

The meeting was mainly dedicated to fixing the text of the Symbol parts.

Regarding the graphic representation of the symbols, it was decided to make some printing tests to make decision regarding symbols:

- 402 and 404 (size of the dots),
- 406, 408 (changing the color density to from 30% to 20%, and 60% to 50%) in combination with the line densities of 407 and 409.
- and to test 515, 518 and 528 implementation as the canopy new symbol.

Laszlo Zentai will be contacted about the formatting.

Shedule for advancement:

HT will distribute the new symbol text to the MC in the coming weeks. After reviewing by the MC, it should be distributed to the reference group by the beginning of October.

FHG will work on the graphic implementation using Corel Draw, including minimum dimensions at 1:15000.

TG will then make the print tests. (Expected by the end of October).

9 Topics for the January 2016 map commission meeting.

Responsible: HT

Finalisation of the ISOM – hopefully.

Handling of comments to the final draft.

10 Any other business

None