Proposal to the IOF General Assembly
Competition Rules for Foot Orienteering Events
Change of article 3.6

The Norwegian Orienteering Federation wants to make a proposal regarding change of the IOF Competition Rules, article 3.6.

The JWOC programme has today three forest disciplines and only one sprint discipline. We can see that the urban disciplines are easier for less developed and less financial powerful member federations to join. There are more nations involved in the sprint disciplines, and it is also easier to close the gap in performance level to the world leading member federations. We think that changing the event programme already in the junior age, will affect the extension of the orienteering family. We also think that this will increase the value of Sprint Orienteering on a global basis, as it will force an equalising of the two genres “urban” and “forest”

As we suggest to remove the Middle distance qualification race from the JWOC event programme, it will be no change in the number of race days, and thus no problem in keeping the programme within 7 days.

New proposal:
“The Junior World Orienteering Championships is an annual event. The programme shall include a single-race Sprint competition, a Sprint Relay in the format WMMW, a single-race Middle distance competition, a single-race Long distance competition and a Relay as well as an opening ceremony, a closing ceremony and adequate rest and model events. The programme shall be kept within no more than 7 days.”

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