



Bulletin 1

1. Introduction

Norwegian Air Sports Federation (NLF) in cooperation with the hosting club Vingtor RC Club proudly welcomes you to participate in the F3A Nordic Championship 2023.

**COMPETITION DAYS STARTING ON
THURSDAY JULY 6th THROUGHOUT SATURDAY 8th 2023**

**The competition will take place at
Vingtor RC Club, Oslo/Kråkstad**



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2. General Information

The general rules in the FAI Sporting Code and the "Common rules for Nordic championships F3A and Nordic" together with the report from "Pilot's meeting 2019" applies for this contest.

The competition will take place at the flying field of Vingtor RC Club not far from Oslo starting on Thursday 6. and ends on Saturday 8. of July. Three competition days only. You are welcome to do training at the field on Wednesday 5. of July.

The P-23 schedule will be flown in the preliminary four F3A rounds and the F-23 schedule will be flown in the two final F3A rounds. In the Nordic class the N-23 Nordic schedule will be flown in all four rounds.

No model processing will be done. However, if an aircraft is suspected to not be within the rules, it can be checked by the organizer. Each countries Team manager is responsible that the team members model aircraft follow the rules.

F3A competitors and team managers must own a FAI Sporting License valid for 2023 registered in the FAI licenses database. The FAI sports license holder may be required to produce an official ID-document as proof of identity. One may expect that the FAI Sporting license will be checked during the contest.

For Nordic pilots License is not needed and only the 2 x 2 m limit and no weight limit applies.

Marking of model and model certificate according to the FAI sporting code will not be required.

New rules require your model aircraft to be marked with an operator number. Operator numbers are obtained from your country's aviation authorities.

You may expect a check of the models Fail safe function prior to the competition.

3. Location

The competition site, Vingtor RC Club, is located south of Oslo about 45 minutes drive from center. In Google Maps the exact location can be found by entering "Vingtor Flyplass" in the search field.

Address: Solbergveien 4A, 1408 Kråkstad.

Read more about the airport at the Home Page of this contest: <https://nomf3a2023.info/>



4. Participating teams

This Bulletin will be sent to the following countries: Finland, Denmark, Norway and Sweden.

To the championship, each country has the possibility of entering both a F3A team and a Nordic team. There will both be a Team as well as an Individual competition in both the F3A and Nordic classes.

Each participating country can enter the following teams:

F3A: One team consisting of three senior-pilots and two junior-pilots (Junior: age below or equal to 18 years at the year of the competition). The junior pilots could be substituted by two seniors who will then be counted as open participants.

Juniors from at least three countries must be present to arrange a separate junior competition. If less, the juniors compete together with the seniors.

In addition to the above mentioned team, the reigning F3A Nordic Champion Mr. Lassi Nurila from Finland will be invited. He will be regarded as an open participant if he chooses to participate and therefore he will not count as part of the national team ranking.

The Nordic championship is to be held with four preliminary flights. The five best competitors after preliminary rounds shall advance to finals. The three best preliminary

flights for each competitor are normalized and counts as the first of three final flights. The finalists shall then fly two additional flights where the F-schedule is used. The best two of these three round scores counts to decide individual placing.

The pilots ranked 6 & 7 after preliminary flights shall be offered the opportunity to fly warm up flights for the judges before the first final round.

Team-classification: Results is the sum of the placing (after finals) of the three best placed pilots from each team.

Nordic: Each country can participate with up to four pilots. The three best individual results for each competing country will count towards the team competition.

The classification is done by counting the three best of four flights.

In both classes the three best individual total scores will count as the team result and be awarded.

5. Noise Check

The noise limit is 94 dB (A) measured at 3 meters. Sound level check will only be done if loud noise is suspected.

6. Judges

F3A pilots and Nordic pilots will if possible both fly in front of a panel of five judges enabling TBL to be used.

For the F3A class Denmark, Finland and Sweden have to provide one judge each (dedicated judge or experienced Nordic pilot). Norway will provide two.

In the Nordic class, Denmark, Finland and Sweden have to provide one pilot each (Norway two pilots) from the pilots of the F3A class or a competent non-pilot judge to form the panel of judges.

It is up to each country to decide if their judge will be the same person through all rounds or if a change of judge will occur between each round.

There will be pre-flights in front of the judges prior to the competition. Two for the F23 schedule and for P23 and N23 the numbers of pre-flights will be evaluated based on judges request.

We will use the Notaumatic scoring boards and all judges have to understand how Notaumatic works prior to the contest.

To sum up, the panel of judges (pilot or dedicated person) for both classes will be:

- 1 judge from Finland
- 1 judge from Sweden
- 1 judge from Denmark
- 2 judges from Norway

It is the organizer's intention to arrange a full Judges briefing in front of the championship. Information about the way such a briefing will occur, will be published in later Bulletins.

7. Accommodation

Dedicated F3A judges (Except pilot judges) from the participating countries will be offered accommodation free of charge from Wednesday to Sunday.

Hotels/Camping

There are normally several events in the area during the summer. So please reserve your accommodations early.

- **Vestby Gjestegård** are centrally but rurally located at E6 in Vestby. Here, apartments, dormitories and cabins of various sizes are rented out. Most units contain a living room, equipped kitchen and tiled bathroom with toilet and shower.

There are large, nice plains that are suitable for both camper vans and tents.

Please check out "Studio Cabins" price starting from NOK 900,-. <https://www.vestbyhyttepark.com/>

We recommend this accommodation.

- **Thon Hotel Ski.** 18 minutes drive from the competition site. Prices from NOK 995,-. Check out <https://www.thonhotels.no/hoteller/norge/ski/thon-hotel-ski/>
- **Bilitt Gård:** A farm with rooms for rent 13 minutes from the competition site. Low standard. Please check out <https://www.bilittgard.no/> or call Jeanette or Petter at +47 920 95 252 or +47 926 39 903.

8. Entry Fee

The size of Entry fee and other fees will appear later scheduled in Bulletin 2. This after receipt of each countries registration form.

9. Entry form

The Team registration form is attached to this bulletin and should be filled and submitted no later than **Friday February 24th 2023.**

The Form is intended for pilots as well as judges. Please check the Entry form for more instructions.

10. Language

The official language for the contest is English, both spoken and written.

11. Meals

Lunch meals or barbecue will be served at the competition site (Thursday through Saturday) and is offered free of charge to all dedicated judges. Banquet is scheduled to Saturday evening.

The host club will also arrange a simple refreshments kiosk during the event.

12. Nordic Pilot Meeting

It is common to hold a Nordic F3A conference in connection with the Nordic Championship. This meeting is scheduled to be held on Friday evening. More information about the F3A conference to come in Bulletin 2.

13. Additional Information

- **No 220 volt at airfield:** There is no connection to the mains at the airfield.
- **Parking:** Parking will be at specific places near the competition site. More information to come.
- **Radio Frequencies:** We assume all competitors will be using 2.4GHz, but 35.000 - 35.220 MHz is also allowed.
- **Transmitter Impound:** The transmitters will not be stored by the organizers during the contest.
- **Covid-19:** COVID-19 travel restrictions have been lifted in Norway. No need for proof of vaccination. This may change.

14. Information service

All inquiries about the Nordic Championship 2023 and this bulletin should be sent to:

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This was all for now. The Bulletin 2 will be sent to the Team-managers later on.

Best regards

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