

RULE 7. MAPS AND MAP REGISTER

(Replaced Rule 8 in the 2002 version of the Rules in June 2013)

R7.1 SPECIFICATION

Maps, course markings, and additional overprinting shall be drawn and printed according to the latest versions of the IOF International Specification for Orienteering Maps (ISOM) or the IOF International Specification for Sprint Orienteering Maps (ISSOM) for all competitions in categories C1, C2, and C3. Guidance on the use of their specifications is contained in Appendix E: Maps and Map Registration.

R7.2 MAP REGISTER

R7.2.1 Orienteering maps of areas greater than 0.5 square kilometres, intended for all competitions organised by an IOA affiliated club, shall be registered with the IOA. Maps of areas of 0.5 square kilometres or less shall only be registered if it is intended that the area will be used for competitions of Category C1 (International), C2 (Championship), or C3 (Regional league) status. The area in this context refers to the area of the mapped orienteering terrain and not the area based on the paper page size which will contain the title, legend, and other information.

R7.2.2 The IOA shall maintain a Map Register that shall initially record applications from IOA affiliated clubs of their intention to map a particular area, and shall record the publication of the completed map. The maintenance of the Map Register shall be the responsibility of the Mapping Registrar.

R7.2.3 Once the Mapping Registrar has confirmed to the applying club acceptance in writing of the initial map registration, it confers on that club exclusive Mapping Rights to the area for an agreed period that shall normally be for three years from the application being listed in the Map Register. In special circumstances this period may be extended at the discretion of the Mapping Registrar.

R7.2.4 On the registration of a completed map in the Map Register, the registering club shall be granted by the IOA the Registration Right to hold IOA registered events on that area for a period of five years from that date. This Registration Right of the club shall be further extended to five years from the date of the last open IOA registered competition.

R7.2.5 Two or more IOA affiliated clubs may agree to jointly share an area for mapping and usage. At the time of the initial application to map the area, and at the time of the registration of the completed map or maps, the applying clubs shall provide written confirmation to the Mapping Registrar that they are in agreement with this arrangement.

R7.2.6 The Mapping and Registration Rights to an area granted by the IOA may be transferred from one IOA affiliated club to another, provided written consent is received by the Mapping Registrar. This will be listed to the acquiring club in the Map Register where they will hold the Mapping Right for the unexpired period from the date of initial registration, or the Registration Right for the unexpired period from the date of registration of the completed map, or from the date of the last open IOA registered competition.

R7.2.7 In the event of a club not renewing its affiliation of the IOA, all Mapping and Registration Rights granted by the IOA shall cease to be valid.

R7.3 REGISTRATION FEE

The registration of the intention to map an area using the Map Registration Form shall be subject to a fee that shall be decided from time to time by the IOA Executive.

R7.4 PRE-MARKED MAPS

Competitors at Category C1 and C2 competitions shall receive their maps with their courses and map corrections pre-marked. For these competitions, if a previous orienteering map exists, colour copies of the most recent edition must be displayed on the event or organising club website for all competitors to examine up to the day immediately prior to the event. On the day of a C1 or C2 competition, the use of any map of the competition area by competitors is prohibited until permitted to do so by the Organiser.

R7.5 MASTER MAPS

If pre-marked maps are not used at category C3 or C4 events, competitors may copy their course from master maps either before or after they have been timed as having started. Each master map shall show the course, all relevant map corrections, and the control description list appropriate to the course.

R7.6 MAP SIZE

Large maps should be printed to a size appropriate to the extent of the competition courses.

R7.7 PRINTING AND PAPER

Printing methods and paper specification shall comply with the criteria appropriate to the category of the competition. See paragraph A.E.1.5 Map Printing and Protection in Appendix E:Maps and Map Registration.

R7.8 MAP INFORMATION

All competition maps shall provide the following information:-

Mandatory

- (1) Title name of the map
- (2) The name of the club that has registered the map with the IOA with the notice that it is an affiliated club of the Irish Orienteering Association
- (3) Scale and scale bar
- (4) Contour interval
- (5) Magnetic north lines, and the date of the measurement of the deviation of magnetic north
- (6) Any 'special feature' symbols used with their definition whether or not a full legend is printed.

Desirable

- (1) Date of first publication or date of registration of the completed map with the IOA
- (2) Date of last update of the map
- (3) Name of the holder of the copyright to the printed map and artwork
- (4) Access and permission statement
- (5) Acknowledgement of the source material
- (6) Specification used, ISOM or ISSOM, and version date
- (7) Legend
- (8) Names of surveyor(s) and cartographer(s)

R7.9 APPLICATION

These Rules are subject to the guidelines and processes detailed in Appendix E:Maps and Map Registration.