



EUROPEAN AQUATICS
MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026
ŠAMORÍN-BRATISLAVA-GRÁZ



European Aquatics Masters Championships 2026

SWIMMING





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1. EA TMaC Commission and EA staff

Arno Pajek	AUT	EA Bureau Liaison
Hörður J. Oddfríðarson	ISL	EA Technical Masters Committee Chairman
Boris Drobac	SRB	EA Technical Masters Committee Vice Chairman
Grete Kugler	AUT	EA Technical Masters Committee Secretary
Apostolos Tsagkarakis	EA	Sports Director
Marcin Kulczycki	EA	Sports & Development Assistant
Elena Dorofieieva	EA	Medical Delegate



1. Technical Masters Committee

Geir Andersen	NOR	EA Technical Masters Committee Member
Nicola Latte	GBR	EA Technical Masters Committee Member
Kristiina Arusoo	EST	EA Technical Masters Committee Member
Nuno Lobo	POR	EA Technical Masters Committee Member
Umut Salar	TUR	EA Technical Masters Committee Member
Ulrike Urbaniac	GER	EA Technical Masters Committee Member
Daniel Laube	SUI	EA Technical Masters Committee Member
Harold Matla	NED	Masters Recorder



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Our role is active responsibility

1

GOVERN

Uphold our values,
rules and decisions.
Act in the best
interests of
European Aquatics.

2

CONTRIBUTE

Prepare, participate
and bring your
expertise.
Take ownership and
follow through.

3

SUPPORT

Put athletes first.
Guide and assist
organisers, officials
and colleagues.

4

PROTECT

Safeguard integrity,
safety and
reputation.
Speak up and
correct issues early.

ONE TEAM • SHARED RESPONSIBILITY • COLLECTIVE ACCOUNTABILITY



1. Full inclusion for paraswimmers

Mariett Mathias	POR	EA Paraswimming Specialist
André Diaz	POR	Paralympic Swimming Classifier





1. TECHNICAL SWIMMING COMMITTEE

Role	Name
Technical Swimming Committee Member	Karina van Holst Pellekaan
Technical Swimming Committee Member	Ondrej Kocovsky
Starter	Marius Grigore



SWIMMING ITOs and NTOs

GER	Dana	WAGNER
GER	Roland	KOLB
IRL	Kathleen	MAHER
ISL	Victoria	GISLADOTTIR
SUI	Boris	CHIAVI
CZE	Hana	NETREFOVA
CZE	Dana	BECOVA
CZE	Jaroslav	POKORNY
CZE	Michal	VAGNER
CZE	Daniel	HIMR
CZE	Miroslav	HOLY
CZE	Barbora	JAKUBCIKOVA
CZE	Natalie	JESCHKE
CZE	Jakub	BOJCENUK
HUN	Réka	VARGA
HUN	Katalin	KOVACS
HUN	Mihály	SZEKELY
HUN	Lajos	BUGYI
HUN	Kristóf	SZENTI
HUN	Imre	KOVACS
SVK	Zuzana	KOSTALOVA
SVK	Frederika	OVSIAKOVA
AUT	Claudia	ZAMPONI
AUT	Maria	SARMA
AUT	Ludwig	HIMMEL
AUT	Barbara	WINKLER
AUT	Yasmine	PLIESSNIG



1. Local Organizing Committee - LOC

Martin Mensik	SVK	Event Manager
Jaroslav Sabol	SVK	LOC Medical Officer



2a. Accreditation

Upon arrival at the X-Bionic® Sphere, all team members are required to continue to the accreditation desk located in the entrance hall.

Opening days and times: 17 to 30 August 2026, daily from 8:00 to 20:00, with a break from 12:00 to 13:00 (lunch and technical break).

Accreditation will be provided upon successful completion of registration and submission of all required documents, including the signed Liability Declaration.

Accreditation is required for access to:

- Competition venues
- Training areas
- Athlete service areas
- Restricted operational zones

An accreditation card contains all the necessary information to identify its owner, their role at the event, and their access rights to the competition venue and restricted areas. The card is personal and non-transferable. It must always be presented while in a zone requiring an accreditation card and is valid only in zones specified on the card.

All athletes must present their accreditation cards at the Call Room before their event.



2a. Liability Declaration

As part of the registration process, all participants will be required to complete a Liability Declaration.

The Liability Declaration is integrated into the online registration system and must be completed as part of the registration procedure. Please follow the instructions on the website.

In addition, all participants are required to:

- Print the completed Liability Declaration form
- Sign the form with a physical signature
- Bring the signed original document to the Championships

The signed Liability Declaration must be presented during accreditation.

This document is mandatory for participation.

Athletes who do not provide a signed Liability Declaration will not be permitted to compete.

Download the [Liability Declaration](#).



2b. Venue Access and Training Schedule

Accredited athletes and staff will have free access to both the training and competition pools.

Competition and Training Venue Information

X-Bionic® Sphere, Samorin, Slovakia

- **Competition Pool:** 10 lane, 50m x 26m x 2m, outdoor
- **Training Pool:** 8 lane, 25m x 25m x 2 to 3m, indoor, with blocks on one side

Training Availability Before Competition

- 16 August 2026: 18:00 to 21:00
- 17 August 2026: 08:00 to 20:00

Competition Days (18 to 24 August 2026)

- **Competition Pool:** 07:30 until the end of the session
- **Training Pool:** 07:30 until one hour after the end of the session



2c. Start lists and reconfirmation



The start list for each day will be published no later than 8 pm the day before



No reconfirmation for 400 and 800 m is required for 400m and 800m event this time, but.....



Relays Teams must be created before 6 pm Friday August 21st



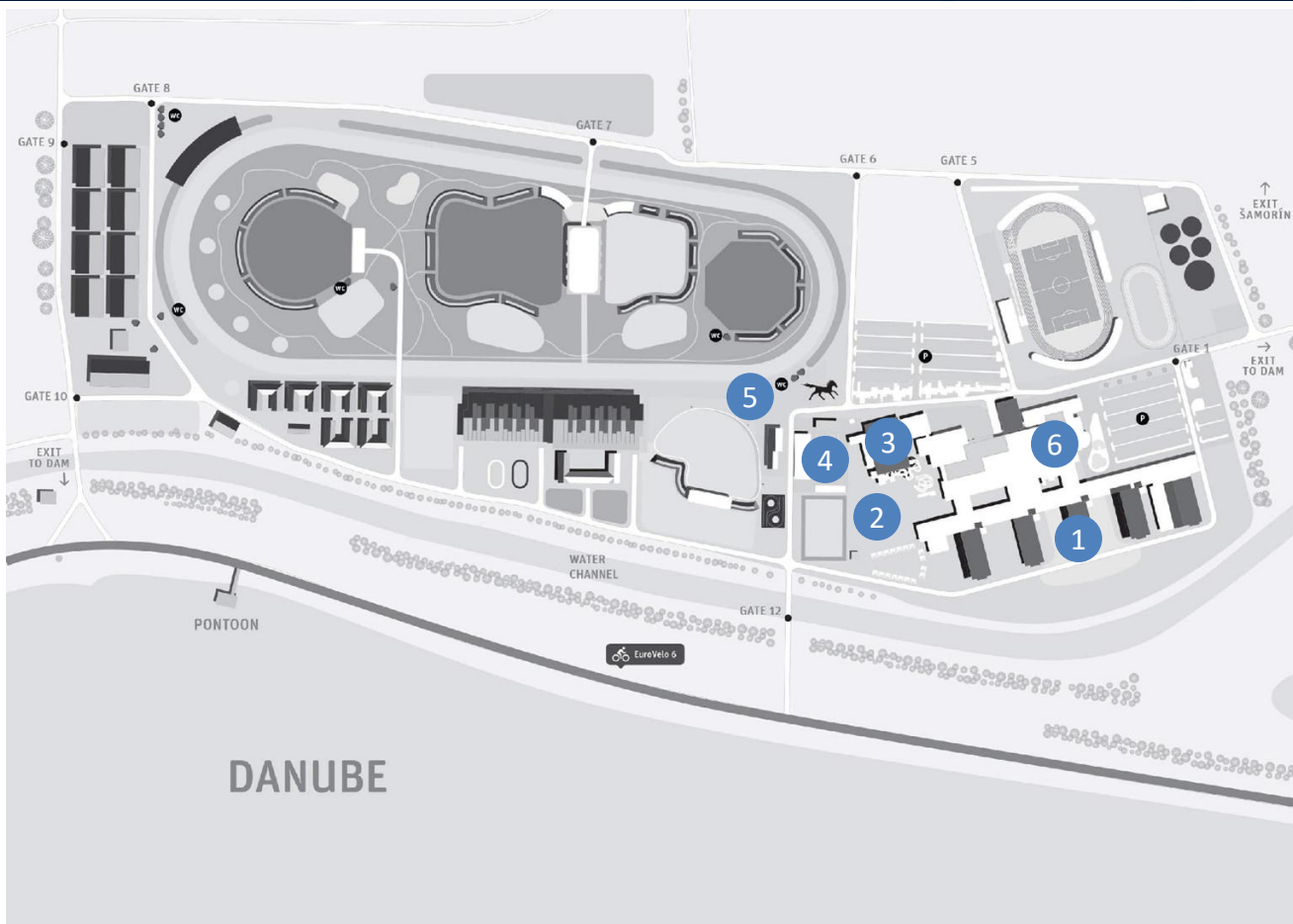
Sportity-app is our main source and we will publish all information there



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2d. Floor plans

X-bionics sphere Venue Map

1. Hotel
2. Athletes zone
3. Warm-up pool
4. Competition pool
5. Medal Ceremony + Expo zone + Food zone
6. Restaurants



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2d. Floor plans

Venue Zoning





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2e. Detailed Competition Schedule

The most up-to-date competition timetable is available online on Sportity.

Athletes are advised to check it regularly for the latest schedule information and any potential updates.

View the current timetable:

[Competition Timetable](#)





2f. GENERAL COMPETITION RULES

Smoking Policy

Smoking, including electronic cigarettes, is strictly forbidden in the competition venue.

Lifeguards

Lifeguards will be on the pool deck during training and competition days.

Report to First Call Room

For all events, athletes must report to the first call room with their accreditation and equipment twenty minutes before the official start time of their race. Following clothing and equipment checks, athletes will be escorted to the final call room. Technical officials will collect athletes' accreditation in the final call room.

Team Seating

The zones for athletes, coaches and other team staff will be separated from the general public. The team stand is located at the pool deck.



2f. SWIMMING COMPETITION FORMAT

Start Lists

Following the Technical Meeting on 17 August 2026 at 15:00, start lists can be downloaded from the Sportity app.

Withdrawals

Withdrawal Forms will be collected from the Resolution Desk on the Field of Play. Any withdrawals should be made by the end of the Technical Meeting.

Key Dates and Meetings

Technical Meeting: 17 August 2026 at 15:00, **Innovation Room**, X-Bionic® Sphere

Officials Meeting: 17 August 2026 at 16:30, Innovation Room, X-Bionic® Sphere



2f. GENERAL COMPETITION RULES

Medal Ceremony

All medal ceremonies will take place on the Field of Play or Athletes' Area. Ceremony staff will be on hand to advise and guide all athletes before, during and after the medal ceremony. A medal will be awarded to the athletes and relay teams finishing in 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each event and age group. In relay events, all members of the team shall receive medals.

Athletes who are unable to attend their medal ceremony, or a person authorised by them, may collect their medal at the medal ceremony staging area. The collecting person must complete and sign a collection form, after which the medal and gift will be handed over.

It is the responsibility of each athlete, or of the relay team members themselves, to ensure they receive their medals. All athletes taking part in medal ceremonies are asked to meet the following requirements:

- Appropriate sportswear or tracksuit
- Footwear
- No national flags
- No goggles or items of sports equipment
- No mobile phones for selfies



2f. GENERAL COMPETITION RULES

Para Aquatics: Participation and Registration

The Para Swimming programme is designed to promote participation while maintaining appropriate competition standards. Participation is open to athletes entered by National Federations and recognised disability sport organisations. European Aquatics will accept entries from organisations not affiliated with European Aquatics, provided they are formally affiliated with or recognised within the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) structure.

Competition results will be determined by age groups using a points based system to allow comparison between swimmers from different sport classes:

- World Para Swimming (WPS) Points System for sport classes S1 to S14
- World Aquatics Points System for sport classes S15, S16 and S21

Special Olympic Participation

Special Olympic athletes will participate in the European Aquatics Masters Championships 2026 under the Full Inclusion Model, competing within the official Championships programme, on 20 to 21 August 2026. The competition programme on these days will be adapted to include Special Olympics relay events, integrated within the existing schedule.



2g. Victory Ceremonies - will take place at the Farrier's Restaurant





2h. Swimwear and other equipment

All swimwear must comply with **World Aquatics regulations**. It is the responsibility of each swimmer to familiarise themselves with the rules and ensure that their swimwear is compliant.

Under the new World Aquatics rules, **jewellery may be worn**, but **watches are strictly prohibited**.

Under the new World Aquatics rules, **medical tape** may be used, but only two fingers may be taped together.

The use of **swim fins, hand paddles, or any other training equipment** is not permitted during warm-up or during training sessions following the competition.

Goggles and swimming caps are, of course, permitted.



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4 Medical Care



ASSISTANCE DURING SWIMMING COMPETITIONS



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**Please contact us by WhatsApp if any
advice is needed**

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MEDICAL COVERAGE

- Medical Staff and Lifeguards are available during training and competition.
- 2 Ambulance are available during training and competition.
- Intensive Care Area





MEDICAL COVERAGE

- Non-emergencies: see contact LOC doc.

- **Chief Medical Officer:**

Jaroslav Sabol + 421 917 054 769

sabol@eventmedical.sk

**Emergency cases (day and night) 112
health-care consultations available on local-call (116117).**



5. Integrity

What is integrity?

Safe, respectful, and fair environment for all: athletes, team staff, officials, staff and volunteers.

- Safeguarding & protection from abuse/harassment
- Ethical behaviour & respect
- Prevention of doping & competition manipulation

Report concerns- EA Integrity Hotline:

The EA Integrity Hotline is the official way to report any integrity concerns you see, hear about or experience.

Email: mc@cavaliero-cambreleng.com (Marc Cavaliero, EA Integrity Officer)

What to include:

- Nature of the wrongdoing (doping, abuse, corruption, manipulation...)
- Person/organization involved & details
- Incident description + supporting documents (if applicable)

Remember: “Speak up, we are here to help!”

Your wellbeing and integrity matter - together we protect our sport and people.