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26TH INTERNATIONAL ARENA AQUACHALLENGE SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

JUNE 06-07, 2026 • KAŞ / ANTALYA



OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP • 3K

June 06, 2026 – Saturday • 08:30 • (KAŞ / ANTALYA)

OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP • 2K

June 06, 2026 – Saturday • 13:30 • (KAŞ / ANTALYA)

DAY 1

4x400m RELAY MEET > MIX

June 06, 2026 – Saturday • 16:00 • (KAŞ / ANTALYA)

NIGHT SWIMMING EVENT • 300m

June 06, 2026 – Saturday • 19:30 • (KAŞ / ANTALYA)



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OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP • 5K

June 07, 2026 – Sunday • 08:00 • (KAŞ / ANTALYA)

OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP • 10K

June 07, 2026 – Sunday • 08:00 • (KAŞ / ANTALYA)

DAY 2

OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP • 1K

June 07, 2026 – Sunday • 13:30 • (KAŞ / ANTALYA)

4x400m RELAY MEET > WOMEN

June 07, 2026 – Sunday • 15:30 • (KAŞ / ANTALYA)

4x400m RELAY MEET > MEN

June 07, 2026 – Sunday • 16:30 • (KAŞ / ANTALYA)

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Registration Ends : June 01, 2025, Monday • 17:00

Announcement of Control Lists : June 03, 2026, Wednesday

Announcement of Start Lists : June 04, 2026, Thursday

TABLE-1

Application Options and Courses		Registration Fee	Quota
AquaUltra	1K, 2K, 3K, 5K, 10K, Night Swim	€ 120	300
AquaPro	1K, 2K, 3K, 5K, Night Swim	€ 100	400
AquaPower	1K, 2K, 3K, Night Swim	€ 90	400
AquaUNI (*)	1K, 2K, 3K, Night Swim	€ 60	80
AquaYouths	1K, 2K, 3K, Night Swim	€ 60	40
AquaYoungstars	1K, 2K	€ 50	40
AquaRelay (Karma- MIX)	Relay Meet (MIX)	€ 50	60 Teams (4x20 teams)
AquaRelay (Kadınlar / Erkekler)	Relay Meet (WOMEN / MEN)	€ 40	60 Teams (3x20 teams)

(*) AquaUNI: The registration package supported by AquaChallenge offers discounted registration for the first 80 university students to support university students. Ranking medals will be awarded to the first three male and female athletes. Participants between the ages of 17-24 must upload a current student ID during registration.

TABLE-2

Registration Options	Contents of the Race Packages
AquaUltra	Arena Bone + Bag + T-Shirt + Towel
AquaPro	Arena Bone + Bag + T-Shirt + Towel
AquaPower	Arena Bone + Bag + T-Shirt
AquaUNI	Arena Bone + Bag + T-Shirt
AquaYouths	Arena Bone + Bag + T-Shirt
AquaYoungstars	Arena Bone + Bag + T-Shirt

Included in Participation Packages

- Race Kit for the Participation Packages specified in Table-2
- VAT & TYF(*) Contribution Fee
(*) Turkish Swimming Federation
- Medal For Winners
(1st, 2nd & 3rd Place For Overall & Age Categories)
- Transponder-Based Timing System
- Medical Assistance, Ambulance And First Aid
- Hydration And Feeding Points On Ground (*)
- Supervision of TYF Official Competition Referees
- Referee boats suitable for quick interventions
- Coffee & Sandwich Services (*)

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Our Board of Directors reserves the right to make new decisions regarding the championship program within the framework of national and regional decisions and new circulars to be published by the relevant official authorities, valid on the dates of the championships. New decisions to be made will be announced to all participants on the website and social media accounts. Participants' expenses such as transportation, accommodation, etc. related to participation in the championships are the responsibility of the participant, the organizing committee cannot be held responsible.

Course Lengths, Start Times and Time Limits..

a. Race start times, rules for wetsuit and buoy use, swimming time limits for each distance are presented in TABLE-3.

b. **Time Limit:** Swimmers who cannot complete the race within the specified time limits will be removed from the water by the referee's decision and taken to the boats.

Each category must start swimming within 5 minutes at the latest after the start signal is given.

TABLO-3

Course Lengths	Start Times (Wetsuit Category)	Start Times	Time Limits	Use of Wetsuit	Wetsuit Category	Use of Swim Buoy (*)	Minimum Participation Age
1K	-	13:30	45 minutes	No	No	No	11
2K	-	13:30	90 minutes	No	No	No	11
3K	08:30	08:40	110 minutes	Optional	Yes	No	14
5K	08:00	08:10	150 minutes	Optional	Yes	Mandatory	14
10K	08:00	08:10	300minutes	Optional	Yes	Mandatory	14
Night Swim		19:30	30minutes	Optional	No	Mandatory	14
RELAY MEET (MIX)	-	16:00	90 minutes	No	No	No	11
RELAY MEET (WOMEN)	-	15:30	90 minutes	No	No	No	11
RELAY MEET (MEN)	-	16:30	90 minutes	No	No	No	11

(*) Swim buoys are provided free of charge by the organization for use during the race.

Races and Events that swimmers can enter by age groups

Age Groups	Age Ranges	Races
AquaMasters	Age 25+ & with 5 year increment	1K, 2K, 3K, 5K, Relay Meet
AquaPreMasters	Age 20-24	1K, 2K, 3K, 5K, Relay Meet
AquaUNI	Age 19-24	1K, 2K, 3K, 5K, Relay Meet
AquaYouths	Age 14-19	1K, 2K, 3K, 5K, Relay Meet
AquaYoungStars	Age 11-13	1K, 2K, Relay Meet

Age Groups

AquaYoungStars		AquaMasters-Woman		AquaMasters-Man	
11-13	2014-2013	25-29	2000-1996	25-29	2000-1996
AquaYouths		30-34	1995-1991	30-34	1995-1991
14-16	2011-2009	35-39	1990-1986	35-39	1990-1986
17-19	2008-2006	40-44	1985-1981	40-44	1985-1981
AquaUNI		45-49	1980-1976	45-49	1980-1976
19-24	2006-2001	50-54	1975-1971	50-54	1975-1971
AquaPre-Masters		55-59	1970-1966	55-59	1970-1966
20-24	2005-2001	60-64	1965-1961	60-64	1965-1961
		65-69	1960-1956	65-69	1960-1956
		70-74	1955-1951	70-74	1955-1951
		75-79	1950-1946	75-79	1950-1946
		80-84	1945-1941	80-84	1945-1941

RelayMeet • Women (3 Female Swimmers)

RelayMeet • Men (3 Male Swimmers)

AquaYouths		AquaMasters Relay Meet Age Groups[*]			
Only Ages between 2014-2006	33-57 yaş	*** PRE-MASTER	60-72 **		
		R0	75-89		
		R1	90-119		
		R2	120-149		
		R3	150-179		
		R4	180-209		
		R5	210-239		
		R6	240-269		

(*) In AquaMasters Relay teams

The youngest athlete age must be 25.

(**) In AquaMasters Relay teams

sum of ages of 3 athletes.

(***) Pre-Master

Only Ages between 2001-2005

(*) In AquaMasters Relay teams

The youngest athlete age must be 25.

(**) In AquaMasters Relay teams

sum of ages of 4 athletes.

(***) Pre-Master

Only Ages between 2001-2005

RelayMeet • MIX 4 Swimmers (2 Female + 2 Male)

AquaYouths		AquaMasters MIX Relay Meet Age Groups[*]			
Only Ages between 2014-2006	44-76 yaş	*** PRE-MASTER	80-96 **		
		R0	100-119		
		R1	120-159		
		R2	160-199		
		R3	200-239		
		R4	240-279		
		R5	280-319		
		R6	320-359		

(*) In AquaMasters Relay teams

The youngest athlete age must be 25.

(**) In AquaMasters Relay teams

sum of ages of 4 athletes.

(***) Pre-Master

Only Ages between 2001-2005

COMPETITION RULES

- Athletes who meet the conditions specified in the regulation can participate in the competition with their own means. Athletes who register for the competition will be deemed to have read and accepted the following conditions of participation.

1) Documents Required for Registration

a. **Swimming Licence or Medical Report:** Turkish Athletes and Foreign Athletes residing in Turkiye will be able to participate with a Swimming Licence with 2025/2026 expiry date or a medical report taken at most 30 days before the championships and will submit one of these documents to the Referee Committee before the competition. Foreign athletes will be accredited with passport and letter of commitment.

b. **Consent:** Athletes participating in the competition will sign a consent form stating that they accept the conditions of participation in the competition and submit it to the registration desk. All participants have to read and review the competition regulations and all conditions of participation before application. Athletes who register for the competition declare that they have read, understood and accepted all these conditions and complete the registration process. For each athlete under 18 years of age, the consent form signed by the parent must be delivered to the registration desk.

2) Application, Registration and Race Kit Distribution:

- a. Participation Fee and Registration Procedure : **International swimmers who do not reside in Turkey can make swimming race participation fee payments to the accounting officer on site, and collect their receipt.**

Foreign participants residing in Turkey are required to pay their participation fees to the below mentioned account number as specified.

Participation fees for the competition must be deposited to the account numbered **TR68 0006 7010 0000 0062 6381 76** (Yapi ve Kredi Bankasi) belonging to **Tia Tanıtım Ve Reklamcılık Ltd. Şti.** with the statement of "Registration options (AquaPro, AquaPower, AquaUni, AquaYouths, AquaYoungStars, AquaRelay (Mix/Women/Men)". **THE COMPETITION E-APPLICATION FORM** (CONTAINING RACE CHOICES AND ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION) AND PROOF OF PAYMENT SHOWING THAT THE PARTICIPATION FEE HAS BEEN TRANSFERED must be sent by attaching it to the application form via the **APPLICATION link** on the **www.AquaMasters.org** website. Incomplete application form is not accepted by the system.

b. **Race kit and distribution:** Athletes will receive a race kit as specified in the entry option they have requested. Race kits will be delivered personally to each athlete upon presentation of identification, on the day and at the time specified in the Championships programme. **Kits that are not received for any reason (work, health, etc.) cannot be sent to the address provided and no claim can be made for the kit.**

c. **Race kit distribution according to registration categories:**

The contents of the race kit are given in Table-2. Since the kits will be prepared according to the information specified in the application form, the size preference cannot be changed later and any other race kit than the one defined for the registration category will be given.

3) Use of Swim Buoy

For the 5K, 10K races "Swim Buoys" will be provided to the athletes free of charge for use during the race in exchange for their Identity Card. Apart from the Swim Buoys allocated by the organisation, no other Swim Buoy can be used. **If a swim buoy is lost or cannot be returned to the organizers between the time it is received and the finish line, a fee of 100 Euro+VAT must be paid to the organizers.**

4) Wetsuit (Protective Clothing) Rule and Start Procedures:

a. Listed below are the races where swimming with wetsuit is/ is not allowed.

- **Races/events where wetsuit is allowed: 3K, 5K, 10K.**
- **Races/events where wetsuit is not permitted: 1K, 2K, Relay Races.**

b. **The start of the races where wetsuit is allowed will be given 10 minutes before the athletes who do not use wetsuits.**

c. **The results of athletes using wetsuits will be announced under the "Wetsuit category and will be ranked separately. The wetsuit category will apply to all age categories and to the general classification for men and women. The award ceremony for the wetsuit and non-wetsuit categories will be held simultaneously. The athlete cannot change the wetsuit preference specified in the application form after the control lists are published. If it changes, it will be considered "unclassified".**

5) Relay Meet : There are 3 different relay races: Men, Women, Mixed Relay;

- **Women's relay team: 3 female athletes**
- **Men's relay team: 3 male athletes**
- **Mixed team: 2 female and 2 male athletes.**

6) Awards and Award Ceremony Procedure

a. In the 1K, 2K, 3K, 5K and 10K the top three male and female finishers in each age group will receive a medal. In addition, plaques will be awarded to the top 3 male and female athletes in the general classification, which includes athletes over the age of 25.

b. Athletes competing in the AquaYouths and AquaPreMasters categories are not included in the general classification of

AquaMasters aged 25 and over, but the swimmers who rank in the top 3 in their age groups will be awarded a medal.

c. **The results of the athletes using wetsuits in 3K, 5K, 10K races will be classified separately under the "Wetsuit Category". This category will be applicable for all age categories and general classification for men and women.**

The award ceremony for the categories with and without wetsuits will be held simultaneously.

d. Participation certificates in pdf can be downloaded from the organisation results page for each of the 1K, 2K, 3K, 5K, 10K races.

e. **The awarded athletes are required to wear the AquaChallenge T-shirt/Sweatshirt given to them in the race kit or the jersey of the sports club they represent when they are invited to the podium during the award ceremony. They will not be allowed to stand on the podium with clothes belonging to different sports organisations. It is forbidden to open a flag on the podium with the logo of a commercial company that is not a sponsor of the organization.**

f. We kindly ask our athletes who have received awards to attend the Awards Ceremony where all public and private institutions and sponsors who support swimming and all those who have contributed will be honoured. The awards of our athletes who cannot attend the ceremony for any reason will be given to their friends on request and no award will be sent by post after the Championships.

7) Reasons for disqualification:

a. The referees will accompany the swimmers with their boats and will warn the swimmers if there is any breach of the rules and sportsmanship. Those who do not comply with the referee's warnings and rules will be disqualified from the race.

b. Numbering on the body before the race is compulsory. Starting the race without numbering, either as a body tattoo or handwritten by the referees, is grounds for disqualification. Swimmers may not use any protective cream on their bodies before the numbering process.

c. In races where a transponder is used for timing, the chip must be worn on the ankle from start to finish of the race. Racing without a chip or with someone else's chip for any reason is grounds for disqualification. **If the the timer (chip/transponder) device is lost and not returned to the authorities at the end of the race, the participant is obliged to pay a fee of 50 Euros + VAT to the organization.**

d. Swimmers who are deemed by the referees to be physiologically or psychologically unfit to continue in the race will be disqualified from the race, removed from the water and escorted to the boats.

e. Swimmers who deliberately behave in a manner that is unfair and obstructive to other swimmers will be disqualified. Athletes who behave in an unsportsmanlike manner for any reason during the championships will be banned from participating in the championships for 1 year. If the offence is repeated, they will not be able to participate in future championships.

f. Swimmers may not wear watches, jewellery, etc. during the competition. Swimmers found wearing such items during the competition will be disqualified.

8) Situations and Procedures Requiring Postponement / Cancellation / Modification of Competitions / In case the athlete cannot participate in the championship .

The AquaChallenge Board of Directors has the right to postpone the competition if it decides in the coordination meeting to be held before the championship with the Antalya Governorate, Kaş District Governorate, Kaş Port Authority, Coastal Safety, Maritime Police and Coast Guard units that weather and sea conditions will endanger the safety of life and property of the competitors, accompanying boats and officials at sea.

b. The Board of Directors of AquaChallenge can decide to cancel the competition if the weather and sea conditions do not improve on the day of the postponement due to force majeure.

c. The Organising Committee has the authority to make decisions, changes, cancellations, postponements, modifications, etc. in all matters regulated in this regulation.

d. The AquaChallenge Board of Directors may decide to cancel the competition for unforeseen reasons such as epidemics, natural disasters such as earthquakes, floods, fires, weather and sea conditions, war, terrorist acts and riots, and within the framework of precautionary decisions and measures to be taken as a result of these reasons.

e. **In the event of any change made for any of the above reasons (mentioned in a,b,c,d), in the event that the Competition is postponed or cannot be held and/or in the event that the Competitor is unable to participate in the Competition for any reason, the Competitor shall not be request any refund. His/her registration shall not be transferable to another event or person.**

f. **Race kits of athletes who cannot participate in the championship; It will be delivered to the authorized persons during the championship, and will not be sent after the championship.**

9) Environmental protection:

• **The International Arena AquaChallenge Swimming Championships is an environmentally friendly organisation. With the mission of zero waste and environmentally friendly organisation, we kindly ask all participants to be sensitive about throwing waste such as energy gels, water bottles, etc. into the garbage bins in the water and on land, and to prefer environmentally friendly products such as sunscreen, petroleum jelly and cosmetics.**

11) **It will be assumed that the athlete has read and accepted the terms and conditions of participation above by the time of registration for the event.**

OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP 5K COURSE - KAŞ / ANTALYA

1K COURSE



OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP 2K COURSE - KAŞ / ANTALYA

2K COURSE



OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP 3K COURSE - KAŞ / ANTALYA

3K COURSE



OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP 5K COURSE - KAŞ / ANTALYA

5K COURSE



3X400m WOMEN / MEN RELAY MEET COURSES - KAŞ / ANTALYA

3x400 m COURSE



4X400m MIX RELAY MEET COURSE - KAŞ / ANTALYA

4x400 m COURSE



300m NIGHT SWIMMING EVENT COURSE - KAŞ / ANTALYA

300 m COURSE

