

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS
Swimming (50m), Diving, Artistic
Swimming and Open Water Swimming

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In addition to the European Aquatics General Event Rules the following

REGULATIONS

shall apply:

EURO 1 EVENTS AND ORGANISATION

- EURO 1.1 The Championships shall be conducted in Swimming (50m), Diving, Artistic Swimming and Open Water Swimming.
- EURO 1.2 The Championships shall be held every even year.
- EURO 1.3 The organising Federation and the place where the Championships shall be held shall be decided by the European Aquatics Bureau and circulated by the European Aquatics Office.
- EURO 1.4 The order of the events shall be decided by the European Aquatics Bureau and circulated by the European Aquatics Office.
- EURO 1.5 The European Aquatics Bureau and the European Aquatics Technical Committees for Swimming (European Aquatics TSC), Diving (European Aquatics TDC), Artistic Swimming (European Aquatics TASC) and Open Water Swimming (European Aquatics TOWSC) shall be responsible for and supervise the correct conduct of the competitions according to European Aquatics Rules and Regulations.

EURO 2 GENERAL

EURO 2.1 Entries

- EURO 2.1.1 Preliminary Entries shall be submitted to the organising Federation, with copy to the European Aquatics Office, no later than the date circulated by the European Aquatics Office.
- EURO 2.1.2 A Federation having made a Preliminary Entry may withdraw up to the date circulated by the European Aquatics Office.
- EURO 2.1.3 Named entries shall be submitted to the organising Federation, with copy to the European Aquatics Office, no later than ten (10) days before the first day of the competitions in the respective discipline, if not announced otherwise.
- EURO 2.1.4 Competitors who cannot prove identity and citizenship shall not be permitted to take part in the competitions.



EURO 2.2 Accreditation

EURO 2.2.1 Federations entering the Championships shall receive accreditation for:

- a) the President of the Federation;
- b) the Head of the Delegation;
- c) the entered competitors;
- d) one medical person;
- e) a second medical person if more than twenty competitors have been entered;
- f) one physiotherapist for up to 10 athletes entered, two for 10 to 20 athletes entered, three for 20 to 30 athletes entered, etc.
- g) a maximum number of team staff members (EURO 3.6, 4.7, 5.6 and 6.6).

EURO 2.2.2 Team staff members include everybody servicing the team: Team Leaders, Chaperones, Coaches, Physiotherapists, Interpreters, etc., but not officials such as judges, referees, etc.

EURO 3 SWIMMING

EURO 3.1 Events and Participation

EURO 3.1.1 Events are (men and women):

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| - Freestyle | 50 m, 100 m, 200 m, 400 m,
800 m, 1500 m; |
| •Breaststroke | 50 m, 100 m, 200 m; |
| •Backstroke | 50 m, 100 m, 200 m; |
| •Butterfly | 50 m, 100 m, 200 m; |
| •Individual Medley | 200 m, 400 m; |
| •Freestyle Relays | 4 x 100 m, 4 x 200 m; |
| •Medley Relay | 4 x 100 m; |
| •Mixed Relays | 4 x 100 m Freestyle, 4 x 100 m Medley. |

EURO 3.1.2 In individual events a maximum of four (4) entries per Federation and per event may be submitted.

Notwithstanding times and places achieved in the heats, only the two (2) fastest swimmers of each Federation may:

- a) proceed to the semi-finals and/or finals;
- b) take part in a swim off;
- c) be nominated as a reserve.

In any event where heats are not held a maximum of two (2) swimmers per Federation may take part in semi-finals, finals or timed finals.

EURO 3.1.3 In relay events one (1) team per Federation and per event may be submitted.

EURO 3.2 Standards and Lane Placing

EURO 3.2.1 Entries shall be accepted regardless of standards, but they shall include entry times including 0.00

EURO 3.2.2 The entry time shall be taken from the European Aquatics Ranking list.

Only entry times achieved in a 50m pool shall be accepted.

Entry times shall not be older than fifteen (15) months prior to the first day of the swimming competition.



EURO 3.2.3 Lane placing shall be:

- a) for individual swimming according to World Aquatics Rules, based on the entry times;
- b) for relay heats and direct finals by draw.

EURO 3.2.4 Heats, Semi-Finals and Finals may be swum using 10 lanes.

EURO 3.3 Qualification System

EURO 3.3.1 In the 50 m, 100 m and 200 m events there shall be heats, semi-finals and finals. In all other events there shall be heats and finals.

EURO 3.3.2 Where semi-finals are held, the qualifiers for the final shall be 1st and 2nd in each semi-final together with the fastest times from the remaining swimmers in the semi-finals.

In events without semi-finals, qualification for the final shall be based on times established in the heats in accordance with World Aquatics Rules.

EURO 3.3.3 An individual swimmer or relay team qualified but not wishing to take part in a semi-final or final shall withdraw within thirty (30) minutes from the end of the heats or semi-finals concerned; otherwise they shall be fined according to Rule E 17.6.

EURO 3.3.4 Reserves for semi-finals and finals shall be based on times established in the heats or semi-finals. In cases of withdrawal it is the responsibility of the team manager to ensure the reserve is present. A Federation failing to do so shall be fined according to E 17.6.

EURO 3.4 Relays

EURO 3.4.1 All swimmers entered for the Championships may swim in relays.

EURO 3.4.2 The composition of relay teams shall be declared in order of swimming no later than one hour before the commencement of the session in which the race shall take place.

In a case of emergency the referee on request in writing may accept changes up to the time of the start

EURO 3.4.3 The composition of a relay team may be changed between heats and finals of an event.

EURO 3.5 Officials

EURO 3.5.1 One (1) Technical Delegate, four (4) referees, one (1) starter and one (1) announcer shall be appointed by the European Aquatics TSC.

EURO 3.5.2 Federations may nominate one or two officials qualified on one of the current World Aquatics Lists. Nominations shall be submitted to the European Aquatics Office no later than the date announced by the European Aquatics Office. Officials approved by the TSC are on the costs of the nominating Federation.

EURO 3.5.3 The Organising Federation shall supply all other officials.

EURO 3.5.4 The European Aquatics TSC shall nominate the officials in charge for each competition day.



EURO 3.6 Team Staff Accreditation

Each Federation entering one or more Swimming event(s) shall receive the following maximum team staff accreditations (see EURO 2.2.1):

- a) 6 for up to 15 competitors;
- b) 7 for up to 20 competitors;
- c) 8 for more than 20 competitors.

However the number of team staff members shall not exceed the number of competitors plus one.

EURO 3.7 Championships Trophy Swimming

EURO 3.7.1 The Trophy shall be awarded to the Federation obtaining the highest number of points in both men's and women's events according to the following system:

- a) in individual events using 8 lanes:
places 1 – 8: 18,16,15,14,13,12,11,10 points
places 9 – 16: 8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1 points
- b) in relay events using 8 lanes:
places 1 – 8: 36,32,30,28,26,24,22,20 points
- c) in individual events using 10 lanes:
places 1 – 10: 22,20,19,18,17,16,15,14,13,12 points
places 11 – 20: 10,9,8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1 points
- d) in relay events using 10 lanes:
places 1 – 10: 40,36,34,32,30,28,26,24,22,20 points

EURO 3.7.2 In case of a tie the highest points shall be awarded to each swimmer or relay team.

EURO 4 DIVING

EURO 4.1 Events and Participation

EURO 4.1.1 Events are (men and women):

- a) Individual Diving:
 - 1m Springboard;
 - 3m Springboard;
 - 10m Platform.
- b) Synchronised Diving:
 - 3m Springboard;
 - 10m Platform;
 - 3m Mixed Synchro Springboard
 - 10m Mixed Synchro Platform
- c) Mixed Team Event

EURO 4.1.2 In individual diving events two (2) entries per Federation and per event may be submitted.

EURO 4.1.3 In synchronised diving events one (1) team per Federation may be entered.

EURO 4.1.4 In the Mixed Team Event, one (1) team, composed of 2 up to 4 divers, male and female, per Federation may be entered.

EURO 4.2 Format for Individual Diving Events

EURO 4.2.1 Individual diving events on 1m, 3m springboard and 10m platform will be held in two sessions



with Preliminaries and Finals. Finals shall comprise of the top twelve (12) ranked divers from the preliminary.

EURO 4.2.2 The starting order of the divers in the Final will be reverse in accordance with their placing by total score at the end of the Preliminaries. All divers start with zero (0) points.

EURO 4.2.3 The dives to be performed are:

a) Women's 1m, 3m springboard and 10m platform events: five (5) dives from five (5) different groups without limit of Degree of Difficulty (DD);

b) Men's 1m and 3m springboard events: six (6) dives from five (5) different groups without limit of DD;

c) Men's 10m platform event: six (6) dives from six (6) different groups without limit of DD.

EURO 4.3 Format for Synchronised Diving Events

EURO 4.3.1 The synchronised diving events (3m springboard and 10m platform) shall be held in one (1) session with a direct Final.

EURO 4.3.2 The starting order of the teams will be drawn at the Team Leader's Meeting. All teams shall start with zero (0) points.

EURO 4.3.3 The dives to be performed in the direct Final are according to the World Aquatics Rules (five (5) dives for women and mixed synchro events and six (6) dives for men).

The first two (2) rounds of dives with an assigned degree of difficulty of 2.0 regardless of the formula and three (women)/four (4 men) rounds of dives without limit of degree of difficulty. All forward facing dives on springboard shall be done with a running approach.

EURO 4.3.4 Format for the Mixed Synchro Events

Mixed Synchro Diving Events are 3m springboard and 10m platform

There shall be a direct final.

The Competition shall comprise two (2) divers (one (1) male and one (1) female) of the same Federation

Every competition for Mixed Synchronised on 3m springboard and 10m platform shall comprise five (5) rounds of dives from five (5) groups.

Two (2) rounds of dives with an assigned degree of difficulty of 2.0 regardless of the formula and three (3) rounds of dives without limit of degree of difficulty.

EURO 4.4 Format for the Mixed Team Event

EURO 4.4.1 At all European Aquatics Events the Mixed Team Event competition teams shall comprise of athletes of the same Federation and at least one female and one male diver, but no more than four (4) divers.

EURO 4.4.2 The Mixed Team Event diving competition involves female and male divers.

EURO 4.4.3 Every competition shall comprise of 4 rounds, complete with six (6) different dives, three (3) from 3m springboard and three (3) from 10m platform without limit of DD from six (6) different groups. Two (2) are individual dives from the 3m springboard performed one by a female and one by a male diver, the other two (2) are individual dives from 10m platform performed one by a female and one by a male diver and two are mixed synchro dives (performed by female and male divers together) respectively one from 3m springboard and one from the 10m platform.



EURO 4.4.4 Format summary

	Team: Mixed Team Event team shall comprise of at least one female and one male diver, but no more than four (4) divers of the same Federation		
Rounds	6 dives		DD
1	3m	Individual dive Woman	(6) six Groups must be performed
	3m	Individual dive Man	
2	3m	Mixed Synchro dive Man & Woman	
3	10m	Individual dive Woman	
	10m	Individual dive Man	
4	10m	Mixed Synchro dive Man & Woman	
			Free DD
			Free DD
			Free DD
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			Free DD

EURO 4.4.5 For the judging of two mixed synchro dives in Mixed Team Event the Officials are the same those performed in individual rounds and score the dive with one mark according to the overall impression of the dive.

EURO 4.5 Ties

EURO 4.5.1 In case of a tie all tied divers or teams proceed to the next round.

EURO 4.5.2 In case of a tie in the final all tied divers or teams will be ranked at the same place.

EURO 4.6 Officials

EURO 4.6.1 Acting Diving Officials (Judges) are not allowed to act as coaches or to represent in any other capacity and/or function their Member Federation throughout the actual Championships. Officials who do not respect this Regulation shall be excluded from the Championships.

EURO 4.6.2 The European Aquatics TDC shall appoint the Technical Delegates, the Referee, the judges panel(s) and the other officials for each event.

EURO 4.6.3 Participating Federations may nominate one (1) or two (2) Diving Officials qualified on the current European Aquatics List Level 3 of the Diving Officials System and have no less than 3 years' experience of judging on European and/or World Aquatics level with assessments no less than in 3 competitions (minimum 4 events in each) at least 2 of which are the European Aquatics Championships for Seniors and/or Juniors or coherent World Aquatics competition, with the rest Recognized European Aquatics or World Aquatic events averaged 96% and above, with no evaluations below 90% having also Level 2&3 Educational or Refreshment Courses valid.

EURO 4.6.3.1 If participating Member Federation has no Level 3 Diving Official on the current European Aquatics List or Level 3 Diving Officials are objectively unavailable, then Level 2 could be submitted for consideration and be confirmed by the TDC complying with required minimum of two (2) years international experience and assessments average of 96% and above with no events below 90% have been in 4 or more competitions evaluated including at least 1 European Aquatics Junior Diving Championships or coherent World Aquatics competitions, provided Certification Courses or Refreshment Courses Level 2&3 are valid, while there is no any other restricting conditions. Officials Level 2 application has to be submitted to the European Aquatics Office for the TDC consideration and approval.



EURO 4.6.4 Federations entering three (3) divers or more are obliged to nominate at least one (1) Diving Official qualified Level 3 on the current the European Aquatics Diving Officials List.

A Federation obliged, but not succeeded to nominate a Diving Official in the categories prescribed shall be financially responsible for one (1) Diving Official to be nominated by the TDC, if available, different from countries has already entered their officials qualified.

Officials of the Level 3 on the current European Aquatics List are in preference. Officials of the Level 2 complying with competence stated EURO 4.6.3.1 could be considered by the TDC.

In case more than one Member Federation obliged, but didn't nominate a Diving Official in the Levels prescribed, then minimum required number of judges to conduct the Championships will be nominated by the TDC on costs shared by those Member Federations, who failed to nominate Diving Officials to the Rule EURO 4.6.3.1 accordingly. Travel economy class, accommodation and lodging are to be covered.

EURO 4.6.5 Nominations shall be submitted to the European Aquatics Office and TDC Secretary no later than the date circulated by the European Aquatics Office.

EURO 4.6.6 Officials approved by the European Aquatics TDC are on the costs of the nominating Federation.

EURO 4.6.7 The Organising Federation shall supply all other officials.

EURO 4.6.8 Acting Officials shall be evaluated.

EURO 4.7 Team Staff Accreditation

Each Federation entering one or more Diving event(s) shall receive the following maximum team staff accreditations (see also EURO 2.2.1/EURO 2.2.2):

- a) 6 for up to 5 competitors;
- b) 7 for up to 8 competitors;
- c) 8 for more than 8 competitors.

However, the number of team staff members shall not exceed the number of competitors plus one.

EURO 4.8 Championships Trophy Diving

The Trophy shall be awarded to the Federation obtaining the highest number of points in both men's and women's events, according to the following system:

- a) in individual diving; 1st place: 13 points, 2nd place: 11 points, 3rd place: 10 points and so on until 12th place: 1 point.
- b) in synchronised diving and team event; 1st place: 26 points, 2nd place: 22 points, 3rd place: 20 points and so on until 12th place: 2 points.

In case of a tie the highest points shall be awarded to each diver, synchro team.



EURO 5 ARTISTIC SWIMMING

EURO 5.1 Events and Participation

EURO 5.1.1 Events are:

- Women Solo Technical
- Women Solo Free
- Men Solo Technical
- Men Solo Free
- Duet Technical
- Duet Free
- Mixed Duet Technical
- Mixed Duet Free
- Team Technical
- Team Free
- Acrobatic Routine
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EURO 5.1.2 Federations may submit entries for:

- one (1) Women Solo Technical with maximum one (1) reserve
- one (1) Women Solo Free with maximum one (1) reserve
- one (1) Men Solo Technical with maximum one (1) reserve
- one (1) Men Solo Free with maximum one (1) reserve
- one (1) Duet Technical with maximum one (1) reserve
- one (1) Duet Free with maximum one (1) reserve
- one (1) Mixed Duet Technical with one (1) male athlete and one (1) female athlete with maximum one (1) male reserve and one (1) female reserve
- one (1) Mixed Duet Free with one (1) male athlete and one (1) female athlete with maximum one (1) male reserve and one (1) female reserve
- one (1) Team Technical with four (4) to eight (8) athletes with maximum two (2) reserves
- one (1) Team Free with four (4) to eight (8) athletes with maximum two (2) reserves
- one (1) Acrobatic Routine with four (4) to eight (8) athletes with maximum two (2) reserves

The total number of athletes entered may not exceed fourteen (14). In the case that one (1) Mixed Duet and/or one (1) Men Solo is entered, the total number of athletes may be sixteen (16).

Note: All events are open to male and female athletes, unless specified in the title of the event.

EURO 5.1.3 Entries

EURO 5.1.3.1 Preliminary Entries shall be submitted to the organizing Federation, with copy to the European Aquatics Office, no later than the date circulated by the European Aquatics Office.

EURO 5.1.3.2 A Federation having made a Preliminary Entry may withdraw up to the date circulated by the European Aquatics Office.

EURO 5.1.3.3 Named Entries and Coach Cards for all routines entered shall be submitted to the organizing Federation, with copy to the European Aquatics Office, no later than fourteen (14) days before the first day of the competition, if not announced otherwise.

EURO 5.1.3.4 Competitors who cannot prove identity, age and citizenship shall not be permitted to take part in the competition.

EURO 5.2 Standards

EURO 5.2.1 All European Aquatics Federations wishing to participate to the EC will be allowed to compete with their athletes without any required standard.



EURO 5.3 Final Results

EURO 5.3.1 All events are calculated separately and are worth 100%.

EURO 5.3.2 Women Solo Free, Duet Free and Team Free will be held with Preliminaries and Finals. If there are more than twelve (12) entries in Technical Routines, Acrobatic Routine, Men Solo Free and Mixed Duet Free, Preliminaries may be held.

EURO 5.3.3 The twelve (12) best results shall qualify for the Final.

EURO 5.3.4 The Finals shall start with zero points ("Clean Finals").

EURO 5.3.5 Withdrawals from any Finals shall be announced no later than one (1) hour after the end of the Preliminaries concerned, otherwise they shall be fined (See Rule E 17.6.)

EURO 5.4 Composition of Routines

The composition of Female and Male Solos (for Preliminaries only), Duets, Mixed Duets, Teams and Acrobatic Routines shall be declared no later than two (2) hours before the commencement of the session in which the event shall take place.

EURO 5.5 Officials

EURO 5.5.1 European Aquatics TASC shall nominate one (1) Referee, one (1) Difficulty Technical Controller (DTC), and in agreement with World Aquatics two (2) Evaluators.

EURO 5.5.2 Federations may propose one (1) or two (2) judges qualified on the current World Aquatics List, but only one (1) judge from Category G ("General"). Federations may nominate maximum two (2) technical controllers from the World Aquatics list//European Aquatics list.

Federations may propose a maximum of two (2) judges and/or two (2) technical controllers for shadow panels, if shadow panels are put in place during the competition.

The selected judges must have passed the current World Aquatics AS Certification Course for Officials and the latest World Aquatics online test for officials. Technical Controllers need to have a World Aquatics or European Aquatics Certification. They are obliged to take part in all meetings before and during competition and must be present to all competition sessions.

Proposals shall be submitted to the European Aquatics Office no later than the date announced by the European Aquatics Office. The European Aquatics TASC Commission approves the officials and allocates the assignments of them.

The officials approved by European Aquatics are on the costs of the proposing Federation.

EURO 5.5.3 The Organising Federation shall supply all other officials. The Announcer, the Sound Center Manager, the Chief Recorder, the Under Water Camera Operator and the Video Replay System for Technical Controllers are to be approved by European Aquatics.

EURO 5.5.4 Acting judges shall be evaluated.

EURO 5.6 Team Staff Accreditation

Each Federation entering one or more Artistic Swimming event(s) shall receive maximum seven (7) team staff accreditations (see EURO 2.2.1).



However, the number of team staff members shall not exceed the number of competitors plus one.

EURO 5.7 Championships Awards Artistic Swimming

EURO 5.7.1 Medals shall be awarded for the competitors placed first, second and third in each event.

EURO 5.7.2 Digital diplomas shall be awarded to all finalists.

EURO 5.7.3 The EC Artistic Swimming Trophy shall be awarded in the following manner: Final scores will be added for the Federations that participated in the Finals. Preliminary scores will be added for the Federations that participated only in the Preliminaries. The respective scores of all the events will be added in order to obtain the final ranking and the winner of the Trophy.

EURO 6 OPEN WATER SWIMMING

EURO 6.1 Events and Participation

EURO 6.1.1 Events are (men and women):

- 5 km Individual
- 10 km Individual;
- Knockout Sprint;
- 6 km Mixed Relay

EURO 6.1.1.1 **5 km Individual**

EURO 6.1.1.2 **10 km Individual;**

EURO 6.1.1.3 **Knockout Sprint individual** event according to World Aquatics Part One - 1.3.2

EURO 6.1.1.4 **6 km Mixed Relay = 4 x 1500m (2 Women, 2 Men) 1 team by Nation**

EURO 6.2 Standard

EURO 6.2.1 Each Member Federation may enter a maximum of three (3) female and three (3) male competitors per individual event.

EURO 6.2.2 In all events, time limits according to World Aquatics OWS Rule 5.17 shall apply.

EURO 6.2.3 All competitors shall start from a fixed platform or from water

EURO 6.3 Timing and Transponders

EURO 6.3.1 For European Championships Automatic Officiating Equipment is mandatory to use. This includes microchip transponder technology capable of providing split times.

EURO 6.3.2 Microchip transponder timing technology will be recorded officially in hundreds of seconds.

EURO 6.3.3 The finish should be filmed and recorded from each side and above by a video system with slow motion and recall facilities.

EURO 6.3.4 The determination of the results should be according to World Aquatics OWS Rule 13.



EURO 6.3.5 All competitors must wear microchip transponders according to World Aquatics OWS Rule 6.3

EURO 6.4 Infringements and Disqualification Procedure

EURO 6.4.1 All competitors must follow World Aquatics OWS Rules, especially 5.1 – 5.17

EURO 6.4.2 Infringements of these rules shall be sanctioned by the Chief Referee or Referee with yellow and red flags according to World Aquatics OWS Rule 5.3

EURO 6.4.3 Only biodegradable cups/containers/materials shall be allowed to use during competitions. Nutrition is only allowed at the designated feeding platforms and areas.

EURO 6.5 Officials

EURO 6.5.1 The European Aquatics TOWSC shall appoint the Technical Delegate, the Referee, the judges and the other officials for each event.

EURO 6.5.2 Federations may nominate up to two officials qualified on the current European Aquatics and/or World Aquatics Lists or Officials certified by European Aquatics on Education Level 2 or 3. Nominations shall be submitted to the European Aquatics Office no later than the date announced by the European Aquatics Office. Officials approved by the European Aquatics TOWSC are on the costs of the nominating Federation.

EURO 6.5.3 The Organizing Federation shall supply all other officials.

EURO 6.6 Team Staff Accreditation

Each Federation entering one or more Open Water Swimming event(s) shall receive maximum seven (7) team staff accreditations (see EURO 2.2.1). However, the number of team staff members shall not exceed the number of competitors plus one.

EURO 6.7 Championships Trophy Open Water Swimming

EURO 6.7.1 The Championships Trophy shall be awarded to the Federation obtaining the highest number of points in all events according to the following system:

- a) 18 (1st place), 16, 14, 12, 10, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 points
- b) All other swimmers finishing the race within the OTL shall receive one (1) point.
- c) Double points shall be awarded for the mixed team event

EURO 6.8.2 Only two (2) swimmers per Federation and event shall score points.