



ATHLETES GUIDE

2026



FEBRUARY 14–15, 2026
AURA CENTRE, TARTU

ZIRK SWIM CUP



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50-METER INDOOR POOL WITH 10 LANES (THE COMPETITION WILL BE HELD IN AN 8-LANE FORMAT). FULLY ELECTRONIC TIMING SYSTEM. THE COMPETITION POOL DEPTH RANGES FROM 1.2 M TO 1.85 M, WITH A WATER TEMPERATURE OF 27°C.
A FOUR-LANE WARM-UP POOL WITH A DEPTH RANGING FROM 0.7 M TO 0.9 M.



ONLY ONE AGE CATEGORY (OPEN CLASS)

ENTRIES

SWIMRANKINGS.NET OR VIA E-MAIL
TOOMAS@TUKSPORT.EE
UNTIL FEBRUARY 3RD, 2026, 11:59PM

ENTRY FEE

12€ / START ¹
A 5€ ACCREDITATION FEE WILL BE ADDED ²

EVENT SCRATCHES

UNTIL FEBRUARY 12TH, 2026, 11:59 PM
TOOMAS@TUKSPORT.EE

ALL SWIMMERS MAY PARTICIPATE REGARDLESS OF AGE.
THE NUMBER OF STARTS PER COMPETITOR IS NOT LIMITED.
THE ORGANIZER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS
IF IT EXCEEDS 350 PEOPLE (PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO SWIMMERS WITH HIGHER WA POINTS).

1 - INVOICES WILL BE ISSUED TO CLUBS BASED ON THE PUBLISHED START PROTOCOL.

2 - A FEE APPLIES TO ATHLETES, COACHES, AND EVERY TEAM MEMBER (SUCH AS MASSEURS, SUPPORT STAFF, ETC.).
COMPETITION ACCREDITATION GRANTS ACCESS TO THE POOLSIDE AREA.



ALEXELA

EVENT SPONSORS



FORMAT

Heats will be formed based on the preliminary entry times, with the slower heats swimming first. A and B finals will be held for the 50m and 100m distances. Only an A final will be held for the 200m distances. For the 400m, 800m, and 1500m distances, the fastest heats based on the preliminary entry times will be swum in the evening session.

If an athlete withdraws from a final swim, the coach, athlete, or team representative must inform the secretariat no later than 30 minutes after the end of the respective preliminary heat.

If an athlete fails to appear at the final start, a penalty fee of €30 will apply.

The 50m freestyle final will be conducted in the SKINS format: all 8 swimmers start in one heat, after which the 4 slowest are eliminated, and the 4 fastest compete again. Then the 2 slowest are eliminated, and the remaining 2 swimmers compete in the third round to determine the winner. The interval between starts is 4 minutes; during this time, swimmers may swim or walk back to the starting end. Swimmers must be out of the water 30 seconds before the next start. Timer will be displayed on the scoreboard for everyone to see.

AWARD CEREMONY

The top three swimmers in each event will be awarded medals and prizes immediately after the event. Awards will be given only in the overall (absolute) category.

SPECIAL PRIZES

By combining the results of the three best events according to World Aquatics Points, cash prizes will be awarded to the top three men and women as follows:

- 1st place – €650
- 2nd place – €400
- 3rd place – €200

Special prizes will be given only during the award ceremony, which will take place immediately after the end of the competition on February 16.

The winners and runners-up of the 50m freestyle SKINS event will receive special prizes from the event sponsor.

PROTESTS

A protest must be submitted no later than **30 minutes after the end of the event** using the organizer’s official form.

The protest fee is €50, which will be refunded if the protest is upheld.

ACCOMMODATION

***Dorpat Hotel

- Single room – €72/night
- Double room – €83/night
- Triple room – €117/night

Lunch/Dinner buffet at Dorpat Restaurant – €25 per meal. The deadline for meal orders is February 10, 2026.

To book accommodation and meals, please write to info@dorpat.ee using the keyword “Zirk Swim Cup”. The number of rooms available at special rates is limited.

The deadline for accommodation booking is January 16, 2026.

Accommodation and travel expenses are to be covered by the sending organization or athlete..

TRANSPORTATION

Hansa Buss has created a special price list for participating clubs for the duration of the competition. Service is offered from Tallinn, Rakvere, Riga, and Vilnius to Tartu. To receive an offer, please contact siim@hansaliinid.ee and use the keyword “Zirk Swim Cup.”



MORNING SESSION

SATURDAY, FEB 14th

M 50 FLY
W 50 BACK
M 200 BREAST
M 100 FREE
W 200 FREE
M 400 IM¹
N 200 IM
M 200 FLY
W 100 FLY
M 100 BACK
W 200 BACK
W 100 BREAST
M 50 BREAST
W 50 FREE
M 400 FREE¹
W 1500 FREE¹

SUNDAY, FEB 15th

W 50 FLY
M 50 BACK
W 200 BREAST
W 100 FREE
M 200 FREE
W 400 IM¹
M 200 IM
W 200 FLY
M 100 FLY
W 100 BACK
M 200 BACK
M 100 BREAST
W 50 BREAST
M 50 FREE
W 400 FREE¹
M 800 FREE¹

* 1 -slower heats

EVENING SESSION

SATURDAY, FEB 14th

M 50 FLY
W 50 BACK
M 200 BREAST
W 1500 FREE²
M 100 FREE
W 200 FREE
M 400 IM²
W 200 IM
M 200 FLY
W 100 FLY
M 100 BACK
W 200 BACK
M 400 FREE²
W 100 BREAST
M 50 BREAST
W 50 FREE

SUNDAY, FEB 15th

W 50 FLY
M 50 BACK
W 200 BREAST
M 800 FREE²
W 100 FREE
M 200 FREE
W 400 IM²
M 200 IM
W 200 FLY
M 100 FLY
W 100 BACK
M 200 BACK
W 400 FREE²
M 100 BREAST
W 50 BREAST
M 50 FREE

* 2 - fastest heats

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HIGH-PERFORMANCE TRAINING CENTRE

SOMABAY, EGYPT

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Sports



- The competition is based on the World Aquatics competition rules.
- Issues not addressed in the guidelines will be resolved by the competition referee and/or organizer.
- Participation in the competition is at the swimmer's own risk.
- The organizer has the right to use photos and videos taken during the competition.
- Participants are required to follow the internal regulations of the Aura Keskus during the competition, available at aurakeskus.ee.
- A fee of 20 EUR will be charged for lost or not returned keys.
- The number of lockers is limited, and it may be that one locker is shared by several competitors.

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