



**WORLD  
AQUATICS**

# **HIGH DIVING WORLD CUP**

Additional Rules and Regulations

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**Purpose of this Document:** This document serves to supplement the World Aquatics Competition Regulations (the “Competition Regulations”) by specifying additional rules, regulations and technical components that are specific to the 2026 World Aquatics High Diving World Cup (the “Event”). This document also offers further World Cup-specific operational guidance to support consistent application across all stops of the Event. Unless specified otherwise, all technical components referenced in this document can be found in the Competition Regulations. For the avoidance of doubt, if any conflict arises between these additional rules and regulations and the Competition Regulations, the Competition Regulations shall prevail.

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## **1. PARTICIPATION, COMPETITION FORMAT AND REGISTRATION**

### **1.1 Participation**

1.1.1 All World Aquatics Member Federations are eligible to participate in the World Aquatics High Diving World Cup (HDWC) 2026, except those under suspension.

### **1.2. Events**

1.2.1 The HDWC will consist of the following 2 medal events:

- *Women 20 meter*
- *Men 27 meter*

### **1.3 Competition Schedule**

The programme will be staged over 2 days with 2 days of training prior to the start. A daily schedule will be developed and communicated to best fit the needs of all high divers. Awards ceremonies will be staged as soon as practically possible after the end of each session.

### **1.4 Conditions of Entry**

1.4.1 Up to 4 entries per Member Federation for each Event.

1.4.2 To participate, the high divers must have competed at a previous World Aquatics High Diving Event or Red Bull Cliff Diving World Series.

1.4.3 If a Member Federation wants to register new high divers who have never competed at a World Aquatics High Diving Event or at the Red Bull Cliff Diving World Series, the Member Federation must send a link to videos where the '*World Aquatics Technical High Diving Committee Safe to Compete Panel*' can review and approve accordingly. The videos need to be sent to [highdiving@worldaquatics.com](mailto:highdiving@worldaquatics.com) before the communicated deadline.

1.4.4 The host may enter additional high divers to compete for a maximum of 5 per gender.

1.4.5 World Aquatics reserves the right to invite additional high divers to ensure continental representation and gender balance. Such decisions will be made after the Sport Entries deadline.

### **1.5 Competition Programme**

#### DAY 1

*Women*

Round 1: 1 required dive with a maximum DD of 2.6

Round 2: 1 optional dive without limit of DD

*Men*

Round 1: 1 required dive with a maximum DD of 2.8

Round 2: 1 optional dive without limit of DD

DAY 2

*Women*

Round 3: 1 intermediate dive with a maximum DD of 3.4

Round 4: 1 optional dive without limit of DD in the reverse order of the placing after round 3

*Men*

Round 3: 1 intermediate dive with a maximum DD of 3.6

Round 4: 1 optional dive without limit of DD in the reverse order of the placing after round 3

All athletes must participate in all rounds.

## **1.6 Registration, Entries and Team Leaders Meeting**

### 1.6.1 Registration

- All participating Federations must register their delegations through the World Aquatics General Management System (GMS): <https://data.worldaquatics.org>.
- Registrations must be completed by the deadlines specified by World Aquatics.
- Only National Federations may register a delegation; individual or club registrations are not permitted.

### 1.6.2 Entries

- All event entries must be submitted through the GMS by the established deadlines.
- It is the sole responsibility of each National Federation to:
  - Ensure accuracy of entry data
  - Verify Athlete eligibility and event compliance
  - Submit entries separately for each Stop in which they participate

### 1.6.3 Team Leaders Meeting

- World Aquatics will convene a mandatory Team Leaders prior to the start of the first event.

- It is mandatory for one representative of each Federation to attend, failing to do so will result in a fine of one-hundred (100) U.S. Dollars (USD).
- The meeting will include:
  - The official competition draw
  - Final updates on schedules, protocols, and operations

#### 1.6.4 Online Dive Sheets

The Water Sports Manager platform will be used to submit online dive sheets. Only one person per Federation will get credentials to submit dive sheets electronically on the Dive Sheets Manager.

World Aquatics staff will reach out to each Federation to obtain the contact responsible for the dive sheets. The designated person will receive an email from no-reply@stsoftware.com to log in on the website. They will then have the view of each event to enter their dive sheets. They will only see divers from their own National Federation entered in each event.

A complete list of high dives for each competitor must be submitted 24 hours prior to the commencement of their dive 1.

All dives shall be completed and submitted, after which the owner will get a confirmation email with the dive list.

## **2. SCORING**

2.1 Between 5 and 7 judges are used for the competition and scores should be calculated according to World Aquatics High Diving Rules.

## **3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

- 3.1 World Aquatics Technical Delegates will oversee all technical aspects.
- 3.2 An evaluator will be evaluating all judges during each event.
- 3.2 World Aquatics will nominate the Technical Officials. All Technical Officials are required to submit a duly completed Conflict of Interest Form.

#### 4. RANKING POINTS, PRIZE MONEY & TROPHY

##### 4.1 Ranking Points

4.1.1 Please refer to Appendix 1 for the Ranking Points table, which outlines how points will be awarded based on placement at each event. This system will apply to all confirmed stops in 2026.

4.1.2 In the case of a tie in score points, tied athletes receive the same number of ranking points and keep the same ranking. The next placed athlete/s will be moved further down accordingly.

##### 4.2 Prize money

4.2.1 Prize money will be distributed by the World Aquatics Office to each respective Federation following confirmation of anti-doping results by the International Testing Agency (ITA). This process typically takes place within a few weeks after the conclusion of each Stop. Once received, it is the responsibility of each Federation to allocate the prize money to the eligible Athletes.

4.2.2 In the event of a tie for any prize money position, the total amount allocated to the tied placements will be equally divided among the tied Athletes or teams.

4.2.3 Prize money is awarded to the top 12 finishers in each medal event and will only be given to athletes who complete at least 3 of the 4 rounds.

<b>PRIZE MONEY (in USD)</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> place	\$ 8,000.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	\$ 7,000.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	\$ 6,000.00
4 <sup>th</sup> place	\$ 3,500.00
5 <sup>th</sup> place	\$ 3,250.00
6 <sup>th</sup> place	\$ 3,000.00
7 <sup>th</sup> place	\$ 2,750.00
8 <sup>th</sup> place	\$ 2,500.00
9 <sup>th</sup> place	\$ 2,250.00
10 <sup>th</sup> place	\$ 2,000.00
11 <sup>th</sup> place	\$ 1,750.00
12 <sup>th</sup> place	\$ 1,500.00
Sub-Total	\$ 43,500.00
<b>Total with Men and Women</b>	<b>\$ 87,000.00</b>

### **4.3 Trophy**

At the last stop of the High Diving World Cup season, the best male and best female high divers will have their names engraved on the newly introduced World Aquatics Trophy. Each will also receive a personal token of recognition. The winners will be determined by cumulative ranking points earned across all stops.

In the event of a tie, the Trophy will be awarded to the athlete with the highest total cumulative score across all stops of the 2026 season. If the tie remains, it will be decided by the highest single dive score achieved during the season.

## **5. ACCOMMODATION & MEALS**

All participating National Federations are responsible for covering all expenses related to their delegation, including but not limited to:

- Flights
- Accommodation
- Meals

## **6. MEDICAL**

The OC shall provide the following First Aid and medical services:

- ✓ Appointment of a suitable qualified Event medical officer/doctor
- ✓ Free medical service for all competitors and officials at the Event venue
- ✓ Safety team inclusive of scuba divers
- ✓ First aid facilities at the official hotels
- ✓ Ambulance on permanent standby at the competition/training venue
- ✓ Designation of a local hospital and provision of information to teams on local doctors, pharmacies, dentists, etc.
- ✓ Rooms for Massage services at the official hotels and competition Venue
- ✓ Ice bath space at competition Venue

**Appendix 1 – Ranking Points**

<b>RANKING POINTS WORLD AQUATICS HIGH DIVING WORLD CUP 2026</b>	
<b>PLACE</b>	<b>POINTS</b>
1	35
2	32
3	29
4	26
5	24
6	22
7	20
8	18
9	16
10	15
11	14
12	13
13	12
14	11
15	10
16	9
17	8
18	7
19	6
20	5
21	4
22	3
23	2
24	1