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 **Zhaoqing Sports Center**
No.18 Xijiang North Road, Zhaoqing City,
Guangdong Province, China

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear friends,

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the World Aquatics High Diving World Cup 2026, the sport's premier annual competition, which showcases the extraordinary talent and fearless determination of the athletes.



This year, we are privileged to stage the World Aquatics High Diving World Cup at three iconic venues in Fort Lauderdale (USA) from 15-16 May, Porto Flavia (ITA) from 11-12 July and Zhaoqing (CHN) from 21-22 November. For the first time, the World Aquatics High Diving World Cup will have three stops on its calendar.

Fort Lauderdale, with its newly enhanced aquatic facilities and deep sporting tradition, continues to play a pivotal role in high diving's expansion. World Aquatics is delighted that this will be the first High Diving World Cup held here as part of our multi-year agreement with the organisers. Our partnership also includes the World Aquatics Junior High Diving Championships, providing an important platform to showcase emerging athletes alongside the world's best in elite competition.

The World Aquatics High Diving World Cup also returns to Porto Flavia, following a very successful debut last year through our multi-year agreement with the Marmmeeting organisers. With the spectacular natural cliffs of southern Sardinia providing an ideal setting, Porto Flavia has firmly established itself as one of the world's most celebrated locations for high diving. We look forward to witnessing another unforgettable occasion for the athletes and fans.

Zhaoqing, home to the world's first permanent high diving towers, will host the third and final event of the 2026 High Diving World Cup, marking the first time the series has expanded to three stops. After delivering a hugely successful World Cup in 2019, the venue's first international event, the competition now returns to the city in Southern China. We are delighted to be back at this world-class facility and look forward to seeing the sport's top athletes compete at this venue. We believe this year's series brings together the proud heritage and bold future of high diving, while strengthening World Aquatics' commitment to enhancing opportunities for athletes, expanding storytelling possibilities and increasing the sport's global visibility.

On behalf of World Aquatics, I extend my sincere gratitude to the Local Organising Committees, local authorities, officials and the dedicated volunteers who help to deliver these events to the highest standards.

To all the athletes, I wish you every success and hope you enjoy your time in these three wonderful locations.



Husain Al Musallam,
World Aquatics President

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GENERAL INFORMATION

THE EVENT

China Swimming Association, together with World Aquatics, is pleased to welcome you to the World Aquatics High Diving World Cup - Zhaoqing 2026, to be held in Zhaoqing, Guangdong, China, from 21 to 22 November 2026.

HOST

China Swimming Association

No.2, Tiyuguan Road, Dongcheng District, 100763, Beijing, CHN

EVENT COVERAGE

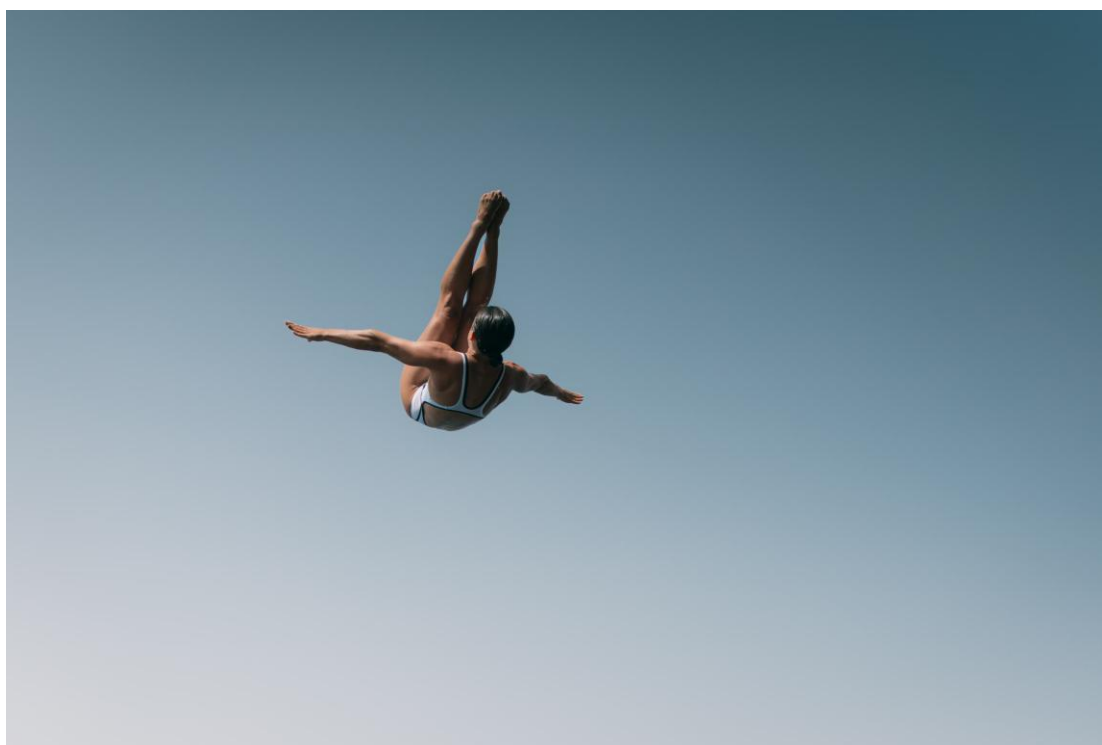
Event website will be available at worldaquatics.com.

Live results and broadcast will be available on the event website throughout.

The event is open for spectators and visitors.

Tickets will be available for purchase.

More details will be provided as soon as possible.



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VENUE INFORMATION

Competition will be held in the Zhaoqing Sports Center. The venue features permanent fixed high-diving platforms of 20 m (women) and 27 m (men), together with an auxiliary 15 m and 24m training platform. The competition pool depth is 6.1 meters.



POOL

SPRINGBOARDS

Four (4) 1-meter boards

Five (5) 3-meter boards

PLATFORMS

1m, 3m, 5m, 7.5m, 10m, 15m, 20m, 24m and 27m

DRYLAND

Five (5) dry boards

Four (4) trampolines

Several mats

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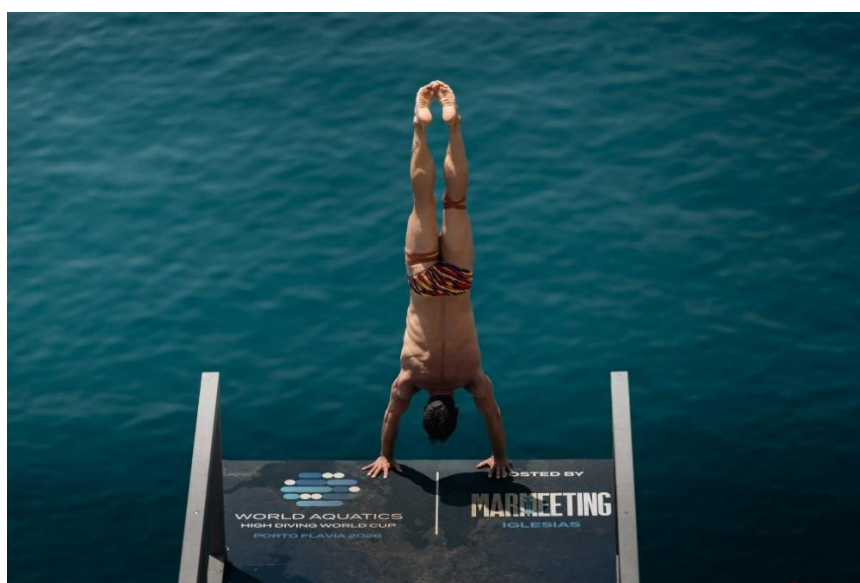
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LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

All general requests, questions and communications from NF's should be sent to the general event email address via diving@aquatics.org.cn or via WeChat at +86 18603228816

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THDC Member	Hassan Mouti
THDC Member	Wu Minxia
THDC Member	Ginger Huber
THDC Member	Anke Piper
SMC Delegate	Wang Xinzhai



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IMPORTANT TIMELINE

VISA APPLICATION – submit info at diving@aquatics.org.cn	As soon as possible
VIDEO LINK FOR SAFE TO COMPETE PANEL (new high divers)	To highdiving@worldaquatics.com by 22 October 2026
Preliminary Accommodation form sent by email to diving@aquatics.org.cn	1 October 2026
Final Accommodation form sent by email to diving@aquatics.org.cn	22 October 2026
Final Registration & Sport Entries Submitted via GMS	
Flight Details Submit in GMS	5 November 2026
Earliest Arrival*	18 November 2026
Official Training Dates	19 to 20 November 2026
Team Leaders and Athletes Meeting / Judges Meeting	20 November 2026
Competition Dates	21 to 22 November 2026
Departures	23 November 2026

*Teams arriving before the official arrival dates may use the training facilities. Please indicate any early arrivals on the Preliminary and Final Accommodation Forms and notify Ximing accordingly. The hotel will bill you directly for the additional nights.

REGISTRATION & ENTRY PROCESS

All nominations and sport entries shall be made electronically via the AQUA General Management System (GMS) by the deadline of **22 October, 23:59 GMT**.

Access to the registration system should be via the logins previously supplied to your federation. If you require any assistance with the registration process, please contact gms@worldaquatics.com.

AIRPORT

Airport Transfers

All team arrivals and departures must be via **Guangzhou Baiyun International Airport (CAN)**.

Designated LOC staff will be available at the airport with welcoming signs displaying the event logo. Transportation between the airport and the official hotel will be provided for both arrival and departure.

Participating Federations must enter their complete flight details in **GMS by 5 November 2026**. Airport pick-up will only be guaranteed when the flight information has been correctly entered in GMS.

Railway Transfers

Pick-up and drop-off services will also be available at **Zhaoqing East Railway Station**, the nearest high-speed railway station, located approximately **8 km from the official hotel**. Teams wishing to use this service should indicate their arrival and departure details accordingly.

ACCREDITATION

Accreditations will be handed in by the hospitality manager upon arrival at the hotel if payment has been received by the Local Organizing Committee.

VISA PROCESS

You can check the following pages to determine whether you need a visa to enter China: [FAQs on Visa-free Entry into China](#).

If you are not covered by the above visa-exemption agreement, you need to apply for a visa before traveling to China. You can find the basic types of Chinese visa and the required documents at: [China Online VISA Application](#).

*We strongly recommend that you contact your local Chinese embassy or consulate directly to obtain visa requirements and to prepare your application.

Visa assistance will be provided to those National Federations that have completed the final registration process in the GMS by the specified registration deadline. This includes the submission of all mandatory data such as photo and an electronic scan of each person's passport.

WEATHER

In November, Zhaoqing, which lies in central Guangdong Province, typically has an average daytime temperature between 22°C and 26°C, and overnight lows ranging from 14°C to 18°C.

November in Zhaoqing is generally dry with minimal rainfall, and the total monthly precipitation is less than 30 mm, with the average relative humidity at around 60%.

All training and competition activities will be held in an outdoor aquatic venue with constant pool water temperature maintained at 26°C. Weather conditions will not interfere with tournament operations.

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PARTICIPATION

The HDWC 2026 -Zhaoqing will consist of the following 2 medal events:

- Individual high diving men 27m
- Individual high diving women 20m

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- Up to 4 entries per Member Federation for each Event.
- To participate, the high divers must have competed at a previous World Aquatics **High Diving Event** or Red Bull Cliff Diving World Series.
- If a National 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 National 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 before the Sport Entry deadline of 22 October.
- The Host may enter additional divers to compete for a maximum of 5 per gender.

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.

Please refer to the [World Aquatics High Diving World Cup Rules and Regulations 2026](#) for more details.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

The World Aquatics High Diving World Cup – Zhaoqing 2026, will be conducted under World Aquatics Competition Regulations [HERE](#) as well as the World Aquatics High Diving World Cup Rules and Regulations 2026 [HERE](#).

JUDGES

World Aquatics will nominate the technical officials.

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ACCOMMODATION

All participants are required to use the accommodation package provided by the LOC. Anyone who does not stay within the designated accommodation will not be permitted to take part in the competition.

HOTEL – TEAMS

Xing Hotel

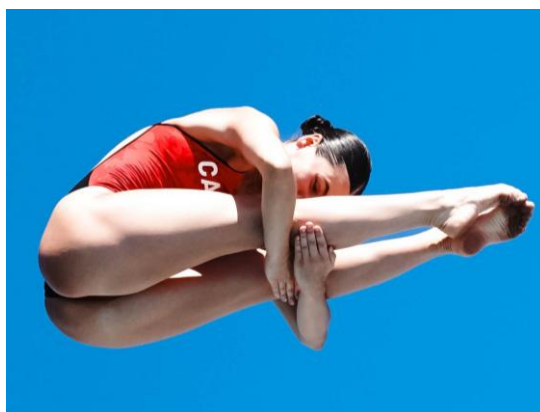
F1, Xinghu International Plaza, No.10 Duanzhou Fourth Road, Duanzhou District, Zhaoqing City, Guangdong, China

Distance to Venue	3.1KM (15 minutes' drive)
Distance to Airport-Baiyun International Airport	115KM (110 minutes' drive)
RATE-Single Occupancy (full board)	\$220 USD per person per day
RATE-Double Occupancy (full board)	\$160 USD per person per day

*Please note that the hotel reservation will not go through GMS. Please send the Final Accommodation Form to email diving@aquatics.org.cn before October 22nd, 2026.

TRANSPORTATION

Free transportation only to and from Guangzhou Baiyun International Airport or Zhaoqing East Railway Station will be provided upon arrival and for departure to athletes, coaches, and team staff who have booked their accommodation through the LOC with the official host hotels.



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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

November 18, 2026	Arrival day
November 19, 2026	Official Training Day 1
November 20, 2026	Official Training Day 2
November 21, 2026	Competition Day 1 Round One Women: Required Dive (Max DD 2.6) Men: Required Dive (Max DD 2.8) Round Two Women: Optional Dive (No DD Limit) Men: Optional Dive (No DD Limit)
November 22, 2026	Competition Day 2 Round Three Women: Intermediate Dive (Max DD 3.4) Men: Intermediate Dive (Max DD 3.6) Round Four Women: Optional Dive* (No DD Limit) Men: Optional Dive* (No DD Limit) *Reverse Order of Placement After Round 3
November 23, 2026	Departure Day

*Please note that the schedule may be subject to change based on numbers, weather, and broadcast.

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PAYMENT

All payments must be made before October 30th, 2026, failing to do so may result in the invalid accreditation card.

The payment information:

Beneficiary Bank Name: BANK OF CHINA,ZHAOQING BRANCH

Beneficiary Account Name: Zhaoqing Baolun Sports Technology Co., Ltd.

Beneficiary Account Number: 725081987162

Account Currency: USD

Beneficiary Bank Swift Code: BKCHCNBJ43A

MEDICAL SERVICES AND SAFETY

On-site medical services will be available to all participants from 19–22 November 2026.

Safety divers will be present at all official training sessions and competition days, including Carlos Chapas. In the event of an emergency, an ambulance will be available to transport patients to a nearby hospital, as appropriate based on the nature of the injury or illness.

Further information regarding the medical services and emergency procedures will be provided at a later date.

DOPING CONTROL

Urine samples will be collected during the competition for the purpose of doping controls. The doping controls will be done in accordance with the World Aquatics Doping Control Rules and the World Anti-Doping Agency International Standards, which can be consulted [HERE](#).

The operations will be supervised and coordinated by the International Testing Agency (ITA). The list of prohibited substances can be consulted [HERE](#). For reminder, all athletes are strictly responsible for any prohibited substance found in their sample and it is particularly important for them to check any medication they take against the prohibited list. Additionally, all athlete support personnel are responsible to be knowledgeable about anti-doping regulations and procedures.

Click [HERE](#) for the detailed information regarding the course.

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MEAT CONTAMINATION

In certain regions of the world, there is a risk of local food being contaminated with prohibited substances as part of the production process. Steroid-type substances may sometimes be used to promote growth in cattle and other animals bred for meat in certain countries around the world. Such steroid-type substances are prohibited for athletes at all times.

If consumed, these substances may appear in anti-doping tests.

Specifically, the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) has warned that substances such as clenbuterol, ractopamine, zilpaterol, and zeranol (or their metabolites) may be used as growth promoters in animal production. Therefore, athletes are encouraged to understand the risks of consuming meat around the world, and where possible seek alternative sources of protein such as plant-based options or fish.

If meat is consumed, AQIU recommends the following precautionary measures:

- Keep whereabouts information up to date (where applicable) to reflect travel locations and dates
- Prefer meals provided at official competition venues or designated hotels
- Avoid street vendors and temporary or untraceable food outlets
- Where possible, inquire about the source of meat and note the restaurant name and location
- Retain meal receipts and consider taking photos
- Eat with teammates when possible
- Maintain a detailed food log while travelling, which may assist any investigation in the unlikely event of an adverse analytical finding
- Be aware that certificates of meat authenticity displayed by restaurants or hotels may not meet WADA identification standards

This advisory is shared as a risk-awareness measure to support athletes and their support personnel in making informed decisions during the competition.

SAFEGUARDING

World Aquatics (AQUA) and AQIU (Aquatics Integrity Unit) are committed to strengthening safe, abuse free and respectful environments across all aquatics events.

Athletes and Team Officials (Coach, Head Coach, Chef de Mission, Team Leader, Support Staff, Doctor, Medical Professional, Massage Therapist, Physiotherapist, Media Liaison)

Anyone registered as an athlete or a team official—including coach, head coach, chef de mission, team leader, support staff, media liaison—for World Aquatics Events, is encouraged to complete the eLearning safeguarding course [Safeguarding Essentials \(Course 1\)](#) or a course recognised by the AQIU (Aquatics Integrity Unit)*, prior to participation at the Event.

Please refer to the Safeguarding Essentials (Course 1) [Registration Guide](#) to access the course. To receive the certificate, complete the course in full. The course takes approximately 1 hour to complete.

Note: From 1 January 2027, completion of this course will become mandatory for all participating athletes and team officials at all World Aquatics Events.

AQIU Recognised Safeguarding Courses

The AQIU recognises safeguarding courses offered at national level, provided that the course covers, at a minimum, the core areas included within Safeguarding Essentials (Course 1) and that a nominal certificate of completion is delivered afterwards. Member Federations are invited to complete the following [form](#) should they wish to have a course reviewed and recognised by the AQIU.

For any questions regarding safeguarding education requirements please contact info@aquaticsintegrity.com.

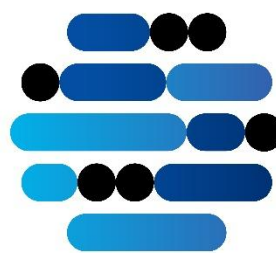
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the **Events Insider App**
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