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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25m) – Beijing 2026



It is our great pleasure to welcome you to the World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25m) 2026 in Beijing, China.

This prestigious event will take place at a truly fitting stage for another landmark moment in aquatic sport - the iconic National Aquatics Centre, widely known as the Water Cube. Originally built for the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games, this remarkable venue has since become one of the few sporting venues in the world to have hosted both Summer and Winter Olympic events, cementing its place in sporting history.

China has a long-standing passion for aquatic sports, with a proud tradition of cultivating outstanding performers and fostering a passionate community of supporters. That enthusiasm, combined with Beijing's reputation for hosting world-class sporting events, will create an outstanding atmosphere as the world's best swimmers come together to compete.

Over 950 athletes representing 196 nations will take to the pool across six days of thrilling competition. The Championships will provide a platform for the world's leading swimmers to test themselves against the very best, producing the performances, rivalries and unforgettable moments that make our sport so special.

Yet this event has the potential to be about much more than what happens in the pool. We have an opportunity to create a major cultural moment for aquatic sport, bringing together different audiences and celebrating the creativity and identity of our global community with a number of touchpoints that speak to swimming's growing cultural influence on the world stage, and we're excited to share more with you during the Championships.

The journey to Beijing has already provided plenty of excitement, with the Swimming World Cup delivering world-class competition in vibrant destinations along the historic Silk Road. The series produced records, drama and memorable performances, while leaving a lasting legacy that will help expand the footprint of swimming and inspire future generations in this exciting part of the world.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to our hosts in Beijing, the Organising Committee and the many volunteers whose tireless dedication and hard work have helped bring these Championships to life. Your commitment to delivering a world-class event provides the ideal environment for athletes and fans to experience an unforgettable week in China.

We also wish to express our sincere gratitude to our World Aquatics Partners. Your continued support and belief in our ambitions are instrumental in helping us grow our sports, reach new audiences and create opportunities for aquatic athletes around the world.

To all the athletes competing in Beijing, We wish you the very best of luck. May you enjoy every moment, push the boundaries of what is possible and create memories that will last a lifetime.
We look forward to an unforgettable Championships.



Captain Husain Al Musallam

World Aquatics President

WELCOME MESSAGE
China Swimming Association

On the occasion of the 2026 World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25m) being held in Beijing, on behalf of the China Swimming Association, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to the distinguished guests and technical officials of World Aquatics, as well as to the swimmers, coaches, and staff from all over the world.

In recent years, thanks to the vigorous efforts of World Aquatics and peers in China's swimming community, swimming has flourished in China. Our competitive standard has kept rising, and events are staged with growing enthusiasm. This premier swimming gala right at home will surely give further impetus to the development of swimming in China and inspire more people to embrace this sport of speed and power.

This competition will take place at the Water Cube, the swimming venue of the Beijing Olympic Games. Over the past nearly two decades, this iconic venue has hosted numerous top-tier World Aquatics events. I am confident that this year's Swimming World Championships(25m) will also be spectacular. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to World Aquatics for trusting the Chinese Swimming Association and for its support and assistance in the development of swimming in China. Meanwhile, I extend my heartfelt thanks to the People's Government of Beijing Municipality, the Municipal Bureau of Sports, broadcast partners, event sponsors, partners, volunteers, and all staff who have worked hard to ensure the smooth running of this competition.

Beijing opens its arms to swimmers from across the world. May your passion and enthusiasm light up this winter. Taking the 2026 World Aquatics Swimming Championships(25m) as the stage, the China Swimming Association will support athletes to showcase their extraordinary talent, forge friendships and carry forward the Olympic spirit. Finally, we wish all competitors outstanding results and wish the competition a resounding success!



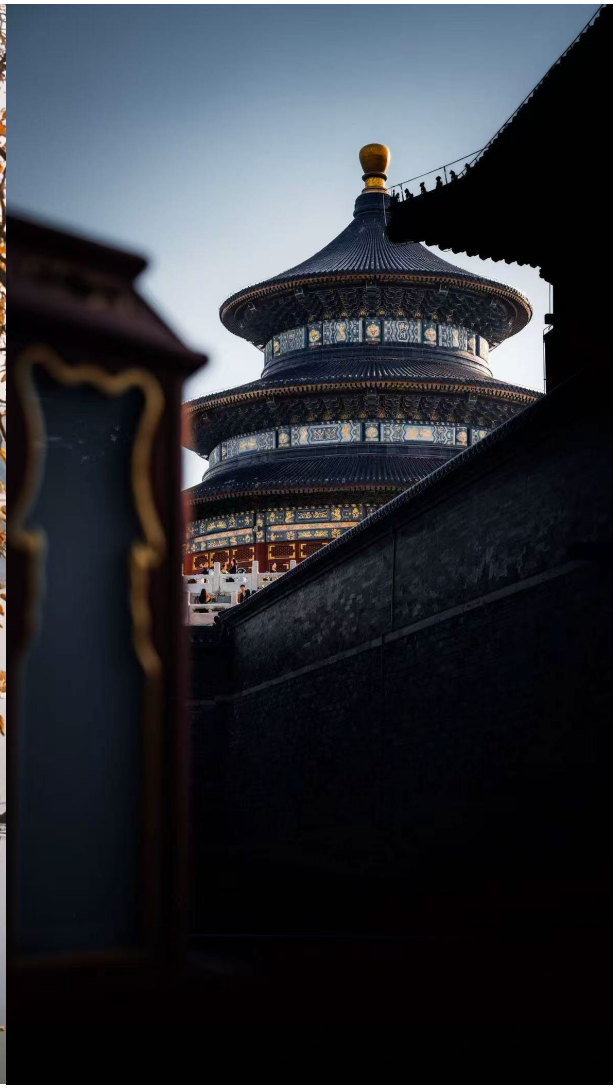
ZHOU Jihong
President of China Swimming Association

Discover Beijing

Beijing is the only city in the world to have hosted both the Summer and Winter Olympic Games. During the Olympic Games Beijing 2008, the "Bird's Nest" witnessed the Olympic flame ignite in Beijing for the first time; in the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022, the Olympic winter sports spectacle returned once more, carrying forward the glory of the Games.

Today, building on its dual-Olympic legacy and comprehensive event-service system, Beijing is accelerating its journey from the dual Olympic city to a leading international sports event city. It continues to serve as a global "Reception Hall" for international exchanges, contributing Chinese wisdom and Beijing experience to the advancement of the Olympic movement. The glory of the dual Olympic city is not only etched into the annals of Olympic history; it has also been woven into the fabric of this millennia-old capital and the everyday lives of its people, showcasing China's growing openness, confidence, and modernity.





A. ABOUT THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. WORLD AQUATICS

World Aquatics is the sole and exclusive world governing body for all Aquatics. World Aquatics comprises 210 National Member Federations over five continents. World Aquatics oversees six sports: Swimming, Water Polo, Diving, Artistic Swimming, Open Water Swimming and High Diving.

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3. BEIJING 2026 ORGANISING COMMITTEE

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Wei Huang, Director of Swimming Administrative Center of the General Administration of Sport of China
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Ben Sen, Director of Swimming Department of Swimming Administrative Center of the General Administration of Sport of China
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B. COMPETITION INFORMATION

1. COMPETITION OVERVIEW

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Key Dates

Date	Event	Time	Location
Qualification Period: 27 July 2025 - 15 November 2026.			
20 November 2026	Team Leaders' Briefing (Online)	13:30 CET	Online
26 November 2026	Accreditation Centre Opening	Please refer to Accreditation Centre	
27 – 30 November 2026	Official Training	Please refer to the 6. Pool Opening Hours	
29 November 2026	Team Leaders' Meeting	15:00	Ice Cube
1 December 2026	Opening Ceremony	18:25	Beijing National Aquatics Centre (Water Cube)
1-6 December 2026	Competition	Heats: 10:00 Finals: 19:00 6 December Finals: 18:00	

2. TECHNICAL SWIMMING COMMITTEE

Chairperson	Craig HUNTER*
Vice Chairperson	Ben SEN*
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3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

International Technical Officials

Continent	NF	Name	Role
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Africa	NAM	Rodney Cornerlius FERIS	Judge
Africa	TAN	Jeremiah KEEMA	Judge
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Americas	PER	Sorei NUÑEZ ROQUE	Judge
Americas	CUR	Desiree FRANCISCO	Judge
Americas	PAN	Nimia Gisela PAZ GOMEZ DE MURUA	Judge
Americas	USA	Peter LA GOW	Judge
Americas	CAN	Anita SCHEFFEL-WOO	Judge
Asia	JPN	Kazutaka SUGATANI	Judge
Asia	KAZ	Natalya SHPILYOVA	Judge
Asia	SGP	Peng Wee ANG	Judge
Asia	MAC	Chi Ieong NG	Judge
Europe	GER	Christian BÖCK	Judge
Europe	HUN	Lilla Anikó LUKACS (DR)	Judge
Europe	ISL	Ingibjörg Ýr PÁLMADÓTTIR	Judge
Europe	LAT	Reno JEKABSONS	Judge
Europe	LTU	Milda SEIBOKAITE	Judge
Europe	MDA	Valentina SEMIRUNCIC	Judge
Europe	POL	Anna SWIDERSKA	Judge
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Oceania	PNG	Gilbert CAMILLUS	Judge
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Americas	USA	Tracey GARRETT	Starter

National Technical Officials

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Bei YAN	Yezhou GUO

4. COMPETITION VENUE

The competition will take place in the Beijing National Aquatics Centre (Water Cube), venue of the Swimming, Diving, and Artistic Swimming competitions during the Olympic Games in 2008.

The 50-metre competition and warm-up pools from Olympic Games Beijing 2008 will be converted into mainly short course (25m) pools.

Address: No. 11 Tianchen East Road, Chaoyang District, Beijing

Technical Specification:

	Competition Pool	Training Pool	Diving Pool
Seating capacity	4,400	-	-
Area, Depth	25mx25mx3m	25mx50mx2.0m	25mX25mX5.5m
Number of Lanes	10 lanes	25m*6 lanes, 24.7m*6 lanes, 50m*4 lanes	4 lanes

5. COMPETITION SCHEDULE

The Championships will be staged over six days with heats in the morning sessions, starting at 10:00 local time, and the semi-finals and finals in the evening sessions, starting at 19:00 local time, except on the final day (6 December 2026) when the evening session will begin at 18:00 local time.

Please note that the competition schedule is subject to change.

WORLD AQUATICS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS (25m) - BEIJING 2026

	01/12/2026	02/12/2026	03/12/2026	04/12/2026	05/12/2026	06/12/2026
DATES	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
VENUE						
Beijing National Aquatics Center (Water Cube)	**10:00 -** 400m Freestyle W 100m Backstroke W 100m Backstroke M 50m Butterfly W 50m Butterfly M 200m IM W 200m IM M 4x100m Freestyle Relay W 4x100m Freestyle Relay M 1500m Freestyle M (Timed final)	**10:00 -** 100m Freestyle W 100m Freestyle M 100m Breaststroke W 100m Breaststroke M 800m Freestyle W (Timed final) 4x50m Medley Relay MX	**10:00 -** 50m Backstroke W 50m Backstroke M 200m Butterfly W 200m Butterfly M 100m IM W 100m IM M 400m Freeestyle M 4x200m Freestyle Relay W	**10:00 -** 4x50m Freestyle Relay MX 200m Breaststroke W 200m Breaststroke M 100m Butterfly W 100m Butterfly M 4x200m Freestyle Relay M 1500m Freestyle W (Timed final)	**10:00 -** 400m IM W 400m IM M 50m Freestyle W 50m Freestyle M 50m Breaststroke W 50m Breaststroke M 800m Freestyle M (Timed final) 4x100m Medley Relay MX	**10:00 -** 200m Freestyle W 200m Freestyle M 200m Backstroke W 200m Backstroke M 4x100m Medley Relay W 4x100m Medley Relay M
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W - Women
M - Men
MX - Mixed
IM - Individual Medley

Heats | Semi-Finals | Final

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6. POOL OPENING HOURS

	Date	Opening Hours		
		Competition Pool **25m*10 lanes**	**Diving Pool** **25m*4 lanes**	**Warm Up Pool** **25m*6 lanes, 24.7m*6 lanes, 50m*4 lanes**
Official Training	27.Nov	16:00 - 20:00		
	28-29 Nov	08:00-12:00 16:00-20:00		
	30 Nov Rehearsal	08:00-12:00 16:00-18:00		08:00-12:00 16:00-20:00
Competition	1-5 Dec Open 2h30m before	07:30-9:45 16:30-18:45	07:30-9:45 16:30-18:45 Fast track swim down during competition	07:30 – approx. 60 mins after the end of the session 16:30 – approx. 60 mins after the end of the session*
	6 Dec 10:00/18:00 session start	07:30-9:45 15:30-17:45	07:30-9:45 15:30-17:45 Fast track swim down during competition	07:30 – approx. 60 mins after the end of the session 15:30 – approx. 60 mins after the end of the session

7. WORLD AQUATICS EVENTS INSIDER APP

World Aquatics will be using the World Aquatics Events Insider app to communicate with all participants throughout the World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25m) – Beijing 2026.



This app will be used to share documents and updates and send push notifications. Please make sure to download the app and follow the dedicated channel.

8. COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Swimming competitions at the World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25M) will be held in accordance with World Aquatics Competition Regulations and the Summons.

9. APPEALS

Appeal Procedure

An appeal must be submitted on the official World Aquatics appeal form, which can be found on the World Aquatics website and in venue.

- The Appeal Form must be submitted in accordance with the following timelines:
- Swimming: within thirty (30) minutes of the respective event's completion.
- The following can be appealed in Swimming:
- Any decision of a referee as to the consequence of an Athlete's rule infraction.

The appeal must be submitted to the designated World Aquatics representative, who shall be identified at the beginning of the applicable competition. The appeal shall only be considered complete if it is accompanied by a deposit of five hundred (500) United States dollars (or an equivalent amount in the applicable local currency).

The World Aquatics Representative will communicate the appeal to the Chair of the Jury of Appeal, who will review the appeal and determine its validity. The Chair shall determine the validity as soon as reasonably possible following the appeal's submission.

If the Chair deems the appeal to be invalid, pursuant to the criteria in World Aquatics Competition Regulations, Part One - Section 12, the deposit shall be forfeited. If the appeal is deemed to be valid, the Chair shall initiate a review by the Jury of Appeal which shall render a final decision on the appeal as soon as reasonably practical. The Chair's decision regarding validity is final.

The Jury of Appeal may consult video footage, documents and witnesses when making its decision, and may additionally choose to consult any other potentially impacted party, in person or in writing.

Decisions of referees shall be afforded a significant degree of deference. The Jury of Appeal shall not substitute its view of the appealed matter for that of the referee unless the appellant presents clear evidence that the referee's decision was made arbitrarily, irrationally, or in abuse of the discretion afforded to the referee.

If the Jury rules in favour of the appealing party, the deposit shall be returned to the appealing party, and the ensuing course of action shall be decided on a case-by-case basis.

If the Jury rules against the appealing party, the deposit shall be forfeited.

The decision of the Jury is final.

All appeals at the World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25M) shall follow the World Aquatics Competition Regulations, Part One – Section 12.

10. UNIFORM, SWIMWEAR AND EQUIPMENT

Uniform

All Athletes are obliged to wear the uniform as outlined in the World Aquatics Competition Regulations, Part One, Section 8 – ADVERTISING IDENTIFICATION.

Advertising identification appearing on swimwear, pool deck equipment and official's uniforms at World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25M) and World Aquatics Competitions, with exception for World Aquatics Masters Championships, is permitted as outlined under in this Section. For better understanding please review the World Aquatics Uniform and Equipment Guidelines HERE.

Swimsuit

Swimmers must only wear World Aquatics Approved Swimwear (swimsuit, goggles and caps). All swimsuits must have the proper Homologation Mark.





It should be noted that swimsuits with previous homologation marks are still valid (until 31 December 2028).





The List of Approved Swimwear is available on the website HERE.

Your swimmer shall not register at the First Call Room with non-approved swimsuit. Please check before travelling to Beijing that your swimmers have an Approved Swimsuit.

Wearables

AQUA Competition Regulations: Part Two, Article 15.3, Swimwear and Wearables:

15.3 … The use of technology and automated data collection devices is permissible for the sole purpose of collecting data. Automated devices shall not be utilised to transmit data, sounds, or signals to the swimmer and may not be used to aid their speed. Only AQUA approved equipment may be used.

Only AQUA approved equipment may be used. Competitors must declare all wearables when reporting to the First Call Room. Failure to declare prior to racing may result in disqualification. The List of Approved Wearables is available on the website HERE (version June 25, 2026)

11. COMPETITION PROCEDURES

Team arrival at the venue

Teams will be dropped off near the dedicated Athletes' Entrance. Athletes and team officials must wear their accreditation card in order to access the competition venue. Without accreditation card, access will not be granted. Please ensure that accreditation cards are worn at all times.

Accreditations

All athletes must present their accreditation when reporting to the First Call Room prior to their event. A World Aquatics Technical Official will verify the athletes' identity and collect their accreditation. The accreditation will then be taken to the Doping Control Notification Table on the Field of Play. On exiting the Field of Play after their event, athletes must pick up their accreditation from the Table.

Athletes will parade onto the Field of Play during the Heats. For Semi-Finals and Finals, the introduction will be made by lane. During competition, there will be strictly no access to the Field of Play for non-competing athletes and team officials.

Call Room

Call Rooms will be operated under the direction of the World Aquatics Technical Swimming Committee.

Swimmers must report to the First Call Room, where swimwear and other equipment will be checked prior to their event, a minimum of 20 minutes before their scheduled race time for Heats, Semi-finals, and Finals.

Access Control and Field of Play Protocol

A clean Field of Play policy will be implemented during the competition. For this reason, only staff and officials integral to the operation of the event will be permitted on or around the Field of Play. Similarly, no personal or non-essential equipment will be permitted on the pool deck during the competition.
All athletes and team officials are asked to respect the need for a clear deck policy during the competition by ensuring only competing athletes are on the Field of Play. Access to the Field of Play will be strictly limited to persons with the correct accreditation, hence the athletes and the team officials are required to always wear their accreditation where appropriate.

Exit from the Field of Play

Competitors must exit the Field of Play via the Premium Mixed Zone after the race.

TSC Desk & Resolution Desk

The Technical Swimming Committee (TSC) Desk will be located on the pool deck 90 minutes before each session during the competition days and will resolve all matters pertaining to the competition including:

a. Relay Entries (must be submitted via online not later than one (1) hour before the start of the respective session where the event will be conducted)
b. Withdrawals
c. Appeals
d. Specific enquiries from Team Leaders concerning the conduct of the Championships.

Once the competition session begins, all matters pertaining to the competition will be handled in the first instance at the Resolution Desk near the Field of Play. The Resolution Desk will be operated by the Technical Officials.

WARM-UP GUIDELINES

All lanes in the Competition Pool are CIRCLE SWIMMING ONLY, until 45 min. prior to the advertised time of end of warm up, when the competition pool converts to the following diagram:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
No Entry	No Entry	Circle Only	Circle Only	Circle Only	Circle Only	Circle Only	Circle Only	Pace lane	No Entry
									
Dive Start Sprint Lane	Back stroke Starts	Circle Only	Circle Only	Circle Only	Circle Only	Circle Only	Circle Only	Pace lane	Dive Start Sprint Lane
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

COMPETITION POOL START/FINISH END

Competition Pool

- There is NO DIVING OR BACKSTROKE STARTS AT ALL until 45 min. prior to the end of warm up, and then diving only in those lanes marked to do so.
- There is NO DIVING IN CIRCLE SWIMMING LANES, entry to these lanes is to be feet first. Circle swimming is anti-clockwise.
- No other equipment than a kickboard, pull buoy or snorkel is allowed in the Competition Pool (e.g. no paddles, no fins, no rubber bands, no parachutes, etc.)
- Any time between sessions, the Competition Pool must be set up as above.

Warm Up Pool

- All lanes will be anti-clockwise circle swimming, with feet first entry at all times.
- Lanes zero (0) and nine (9) can be used for dive in sprints or relay exchange practice. The starting blocks will reflect the blocks used in the competition pool.
- Backstroke ledges will also be available in the Warm Up pool.

World Aquatics Technical Swimming Committee reserves the right to modify the above guidelines should the situation warrant.

12. PRESENTATION, CEREMONIES AND CONFERENCES

Sport Presentation & Production

The Beijing 2026 Organising Committee and its appointed Sport Presentation supplier, in co-operation with World Aquatics, have been fully involved in the planning and delivery of all venues pertaining to Sport Presentation and Ceremonies.

In the final, the winning athlete will conduct a victory lap where they can celebrate with their coaches and spectating team-mates before conducting an interview for the World Feed and venue audience.

Team Leaders are requested to bring a national flag of approximately 1.5m wide that can be handed to the winning athlete for their lap. Flag designs must match that of the official IOC/World Aquatics Flag Manual. This should be presented to World Aquatics at the Team Leader Meeting or before.

Timing, Scoring and Results

World Aquatics Partner Omega will provide all timing, scoring and result services for the Championships. This will also include all digital Championships outputs, which will be distributed to teams via the World Aquatics Events Insider app.

World Aquatics Bibs

Every competitor participating in Semi-Finals and Finals will be provided with a World Aquatics bib. The bib is to be worn on the chest over their tracksuit, just below the tracksuit logos. As per World Aquatics Competition Regulations, Part One, Article 7. 11. the bibs must be fully visible during athlete introductions and Medal Ceremonies.

Bibs will be distributed to the competitors when they report to the Call Room before the start of each Semi-Final or Final, and in the assembly area before Medal Ceremonies.

Medal Ceremonies

The Medal Ceremonies will be held at the competition venue's Medal Ceremonies stage to honour and celebrate their achievement. Following the presentation of medals, the national anthem of the gold medallist will be played, and the national flags of the medallists displayed. For 50m, 100m and 200m events, Women's and Men's Medal Ceremonies will be joint; two separate podiums at the same time.

All finalists must wear the World Aquatics bib, as provided by World Aquatics, on top of their National Federation uniform during the Medal Ceremony and all post-ceremony photos, where applicable, until they leave the Field of Play arena.

Athletes will be briefed about ceremony procedures in the assembly area. Athletes are reminded to attend all Medal Ceremonies in their official National Federation tracksuit with appropriate footwear. Non-compliance with any of the above instructions may result in delays in the TV coverage.

Items such as flags, caps or any other symbols are not allowed on the podium.

Press Conference

Athletes, coaches, team leaders, etc. who need to attend a press conference will be advised when to report for the conference so please make sure to attend. Non-English-speaking athletes must be accompanied by interpreters as press conferences will be conducted in English.

Athletes' Headshot Photo Shoot

On training days, all athletes are required to attend the designated photo and video booths located at the competition venue to capture portrait photos and short videos. These assets will be used for in-venue presentations, TV graphics, social media, and other promotional outputs.

All athletes must participate in this activity, as it will enhance visibility and exposure for the athletes themselves, their national teams, and their sponsors. Athletes must wear their official national team uniforms during the shoot.

It is essential that athletes complete the photo/video session **before the start of the competition**.

Photo booth opening hours:

27 November: 16:00-21:00
28-30 November: 09:00-21:00

A similar space will be set up in the athletes' lounge for all World Championships medallists who would like to take photo portraits with their medal(s). All content will be made available to the athletes and the National Federations immediately after the shoot.

13. TEAM LEADERS' MEETING

Sunday, 29 November 2026 at 15:00

Location: Ice Cube Level M

At the Team Leaders' Meeting, important details of the competition will be presented. Participation is mandatory for all National Federations, and if an NF is absent, it is subject to a penalty fee of one hundred (100) CHF.

The Team Leaders' Meeting will include the following topics:

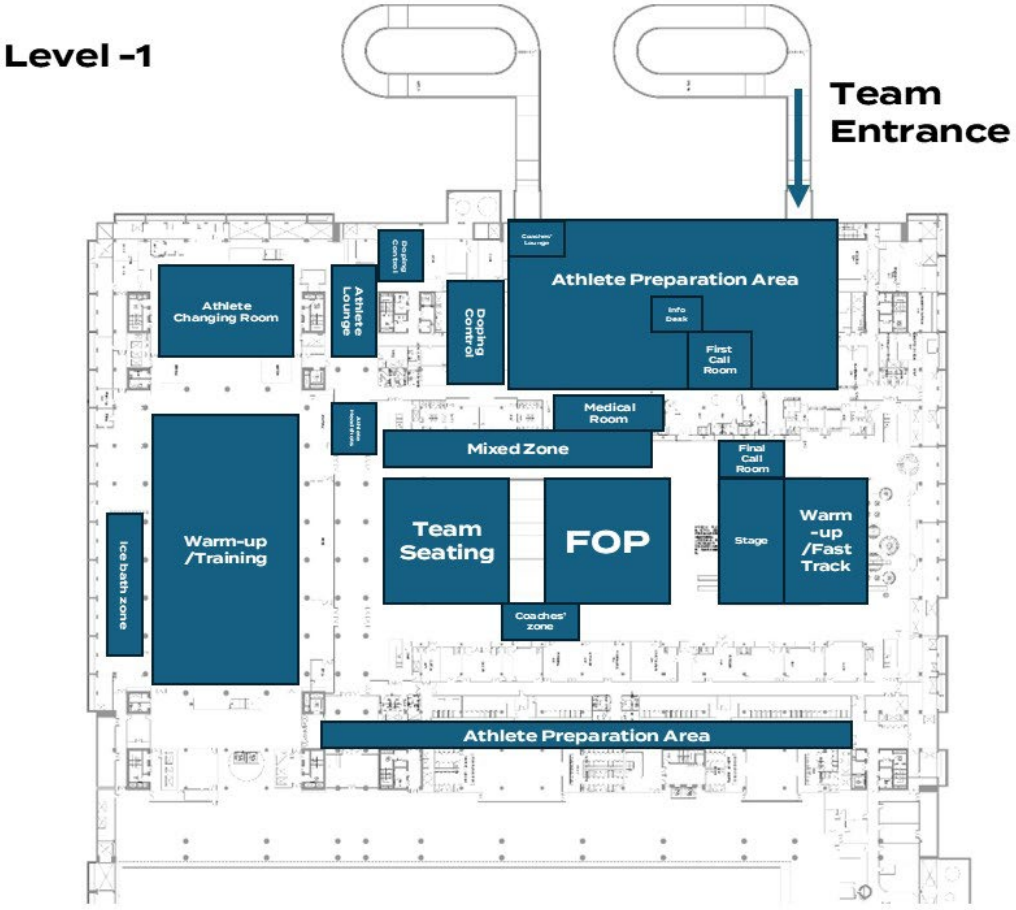
a. Swimming competition technical information including final confirmation of entries
b. Venue and athlete flows
c. Other items related to the competition

Team Leaders are responsible for checking all given information, including personal details and spelling of the athletes' names, and the entries. Changes will not be accepted after the meeting.

Due to the capacity of the room, only one representative per NF may attend. Other representatives may join the meeting via a live-streaming service. The dial-in detail will be provided closer to the date.

C. VENUE

1. VENUE OVERVIEW



A detailed venue map will be available on the Events Insider App for your reference.

2. VENUE FACILITIES AND SERVICES

Athletes' Preparation Area

The teams will be assigned to a space on the Level -1 in the competition venue. The team locations will be based on the number of participating athletes. These areas will be marked with country codes and flags.

The exact team locations will be finalised after the confirmation of participating countries and team sizes.

Athletes' Changing Rooms

Changing rooms and showers are available for athletes and team officials at the competition venue.

Athletes' Lounge

This dedicated space for athletes will offer activities, games, and rewards.

Team Seating

At the competition venue approximately 650 seats will be available on the stands for athletes, coaches and team officials. Seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Coaches' Zone

A dedicated zone for coaches will be available on the pool deck. Only the coaches whose swimmer(s) are competing in a given event should access this area. Once the event ends, the coaches should exit this area in order to provide enough room for coaches in the next event.

An additional accreditation will be required to access this zone, with further details to be communicated to the participating teams.

Sport Information Desk (SID)

Sport Information Desk (SID) will operate throughout the training and competition days for Swimming. The following information will be available:

- Sport-specific information for the competition
- Official communication with teams
- Transportation schedules
- Lost and found items
- Other miscellaneous enquiries

Operation Hours: 08:00 – 22:00 between 27 November – 6 December 2026

Mixed Zone

All competitors must exit the Field of Play (FOP) through the Mixed Zone. The Mixed Zone is an area near the FOP that has been authorised for broadcasters or other media to conduct short interviews immediately after athletes have completed their events. Operations staff will manage the Mixed Zone and provide support for broadcasters and other media.

Two mixed zones will be in operation: the Premium Mixed Zone on the pool deck for broadcasters and the General Mixed Zone for other media.

Medical Stations

First aid and medical treatment will be available at the venue medical stations. Anyone who needs more than first aid will be transferred to one of the designated hospitals for further treatment.

Doping Control Notification Table

The Doping Control Notification Table will be located on the pool deck, and athletes must collect their accreditations from the table after their race.

Team filming Area

Team filming is only permitted from the designated area in the tribune. A limited number of team filming positions are allocated to the teams who have duly requested the position through the online form*. No other area will be set aside for team filming.

Ice Baths

A limited space for ice baths is available at the training pool. Space will be allocated based on the request made through the online form*.

*Each Member Federation was requested to submit information regarding their requirements for ice bath space and team filming through the online form, which automatically closes on 21 November 2026 at 23:59 GMT.

World Aquatics Workshops Room

Athletes' and Development activities will take place in the World Aquatics Workshops room. More information about the timing of the different meetings will be shared via the World Aquatics Events Insider app.

D. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

The Beijing 2026 Organising Committee will provide ground airport transfers from/to Beijing Capital International Airport (Terminal 2 & 3) and Daxing Airport for all participants registered for the World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25M) and are residing at official hotels, based on the latest flight details updated in the GMS.

Failure to do so may result in no transportation being arranged by the Organising Committee and may be the responsibility of the World Aquatics Member.

During the Championships, shuttle bus service will be provided from all official hotels to/from the venue, based on a pre-determined schedule. Further details regarding this matter will be provided in the World Aquatics Events Insider App.

If participants are not staying in any of the official hotels or do not require ground airport transfer, participants may indicate in the GMS **"I have made my own travel arrangements."**

Arrival Procedures

Beijing 2026 Organising Committee will be providing airport transfers from Beijing Capital International Airport (Terminal 2 & 3) and Daxing Airport to official hotels for arriving participants. Please ensure that arrival flight Information is updated correctly and promptly in the GMS.

Beijing 2026 personnel will be deployed for Meet and Greet carrying the Official Beijing 2026 Welcome Sign. They will guide you and your team to the respective ground transport.

Daily Transport

A daily shuttle service will operate between the official hotels and the venue in line with the pool opening hours. Services will run every 20 minutes during peak hours on competition days, and every 30 minutes during training days and non-peak hours.

Departure Procedures

Beijing 2026 Organising Committee will be providing departure airport transfers from official hotels to Beijing Capital International Airport (Terminal 2 & 3) and Daxing Airport. Please ensure that departure flight information is updated correctly and promptly in the GMS.

As a default, Departure Transport will report 3 hours before departure flight time at the official hotel/venue for pickup. If individual/NF requires a different pickup time/venue, please indicate in the GMS - Departure Comment prior to arrival or inform Beijing 2026 Transport Team during your stay.

Please confirm departure pickup details with any transport/hospitality desk 3 days before departure. If departure details are not confirmed, it will be based on GMS as a default.

Pick-up details will be available at all transport/hospitality desks 1 day prior to departure day.

Transport Assistance

Transport/hospitality desks will also be available at all official hotels and competition venues, offering assistance on transportation-related matters.

Participants may email lizhaoran@beiao.com and request for additional information on transportation in China during the Championships.

Info/Help Desk at the Team Hotels (Operation Hours: 07:00 to 22:00)

For the participating NFs with any last-minute changes or issues, they can approach the Info/Help Desk for Accommodation and Transportation assistance, located at each of the Team Hotel.

Beijing 2026 Transportation Team

Transportation matters	Li Zhaoran at lizhaoran@beiao.com
Hotline	Details to be communicated closer to the Championships

2. ACCREDITATION

Accreditation Cards

Participating World Aquatics Members must comply with the accreditation quotas established for Team Officials and NF Representatives, as specified in the official World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25m) Beijing 2026 Summons.

As a general rule, no additional Team Officials beyond the allocated quotas will be accepted. Only exceptional and duly justified requests for additional accreditations will be considered by World Aquatics and will be subject to prior approval. Each additional accreditation approved beyond the applicable quota will be subject to a fee of USD 150. Payment may be made by bank transfer or in cash.

Only persons aged 18 or older on the first day of the World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25m) Beijing 2026 may be accredited as Team Officials.

Regarding NF Representatives, only the NF President and General Secretary, as officially recognised by World Aquatics and identified in the NF's Board composition published on the World Aquatics website, are entitled to free accreditation. This entitlement is personal and non-transferable. Any other individual registered under the NF Representative category will be charged a fee of USD 150 for their accreditation, even if their registration falls within the applicable quota.

All National Federations participating in the World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25m) Beijing 2026 must complete the accreditation process by the established deadline to ensure that accreditation cards can be issued to their members.

An accreditation card contains all the information necessary to identify its holder, their role at the event, their access rights to the competition venues and restricted areas within them, and their entitlement to use the Championships' transport services. Accreditation cards are personal and non-transferable. They must be displayed at all times in areas where accreditation is required and are valid only for the zones indicated on the card.

World Aquatics has final approval for all Team Official and Member Representative Accreditation requests that have been registered through the World Aquatics GMS by the registration deadline of 17 November 2026. Quotas are not transferable from one discipline to another, or from one category to another. The following access privileges will be given to the persons depending on their function:

Zone Code	ZONE DESCRIPTION	ZONE ACCESS
Blue	Field of play	Blue, Red, White
Red	Operational areas	Red, White
White	General circulation areas	White
2	Athlete Preparation Areas	2
4	Media Areas	4
T	Team Tribune	T
TT	Shuttle Bus - Teams	TT

CATEGORY	FUNCTION	PRIVILEGES	SEATING	TRANSPORT
Athlete		Blue, 2,	T	TT
NF Representative	President	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	Vice President	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	General Secretary	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	Representative	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	Executive Board Member	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	Accompanying Guest	Red, 2,	T	TT
	Official Representative	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	Senior Staff	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	SW General Secretary	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	SW President	Blue, 2,	T	TT
Team Official	Chef de Mission	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	Head Coach	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	Coach	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	Team Leader	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	Doctor	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	Massage Therapist	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	Media Liaison	Blue, 2, 4,	T	TT
	Medical Personnel	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	Physiotherapist	Blue, 2,	T	TT
	Support Staff	Blue, 2,	T	TT

Important Note:

Access privileges and zone allocations listed above are subject to change based on the final venue setup, operational requirements, and other needs specific to the World Aquatics Championships. Adjustments may be made at the discretion of World Aquatics or the Organising Committee to ensure smooth event operations. Participants will be informed of any changes in advance whenever possible.

VENUE ACCESS

There are five designated entrances to the venue: VIP, Athlete, Broadcast, Media and Spectator.

NF representatives, Team Officials and Athletes may access the venue through the following three entrances:

- Athlete Entrance: FOP Level (next to Team Shuttle Bus drop off point)
- Media/Staff Entrance: Ground Level
- Spectator Entrance: Ground Level

Please note that the VIP and Broadcast entrances are not accessible to National Federation representatives, Team Officials or Athletes.

All three designated entrances will remain open throughout the venue's official opening hours.

Please refer to the venue access map below for the location of each entrance and the Accreditation Centre.



Important – Registration of Functions and Roles

Each person must be registered under the function and role they will be performing during the World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25m) Beijing 2026. If an individual performs multiple functions, the most senior applicable position should be selected, as only one function can be selected during registration.

For example, if an NF Board Member also acts as a team coach, this person should be registered as a Team Official under the role of Coach to ensure they receive the appropriate access rights to fulfil their duties at the event.

Each World Aquatics Member is entirely responsible for ensuring that all participants are registered under the correct functions and roles so that the appropriate accreditation cards and access rights can be assigned.

Please note that accreditation functions, roles and access rights cannot be amended, and accreditation cards cannot be reprinted during the event.

Accreditation Centre

The Accreditation Centre will be open to participating World Aquatics Members from 26 November to 6 December 2026 and will be located at the South-West Gate of the National Aquatics Centre, as indicated on the venue access map above.

Team Leaders, or designated representatives holding official written authorization, must visit the Accreditation Centre in person to collect the team's accreditation cards.

The original physical passport of each team member, as provided during registration in GMS, must be presented for accreditation card collection. Scanned copies, photocopies or photographs of passports will not be accepted. If a Team Leader or designated representative is collecting an accreditation card on behalf of another person, they must bring that person's original physical passport.

Opening Hours:

Moring Session	7:30-12:00
Afternoon Session	15:00-19:00

Lost or Damaged Accreditation Card and Replacement

If your accreditation badge is lost, it must be reported immediately to the nearest security personnel from the Organising Committee. A penalty fee may be charged for the reproduction of lost accreditation badges.

3. FIRST AID AND MEDICAL SERVICES

FIRST AID

Beijing 2026 Organising Committee has organised the medical care to manage any emergency issues, acute injury and illnesses of athletes & teams and World Aquatics Family that may occur during the period of the World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25M)– Beijing 2026.

Limits

Chronic injury and illness are not covered by the LOC Medical Services and World Aquatics is not responsible for any failure to diagnose or treat any chronic injury or illness.

Acute and Chronic illness as well as injury outside of official training and competition venues are not covered by the Local Organising Committee (LOC) Medical Services and World Aquatics is not responsible for any failure to diagnose or treat any chronic injury or illness.

MEDICAL SERVICES

Operational Period

Athlete medical services will be available on all days of official training and competition.

Medical service will be starting 60 minutes before training or competition begins, and it will end 60 minutes after the last race.

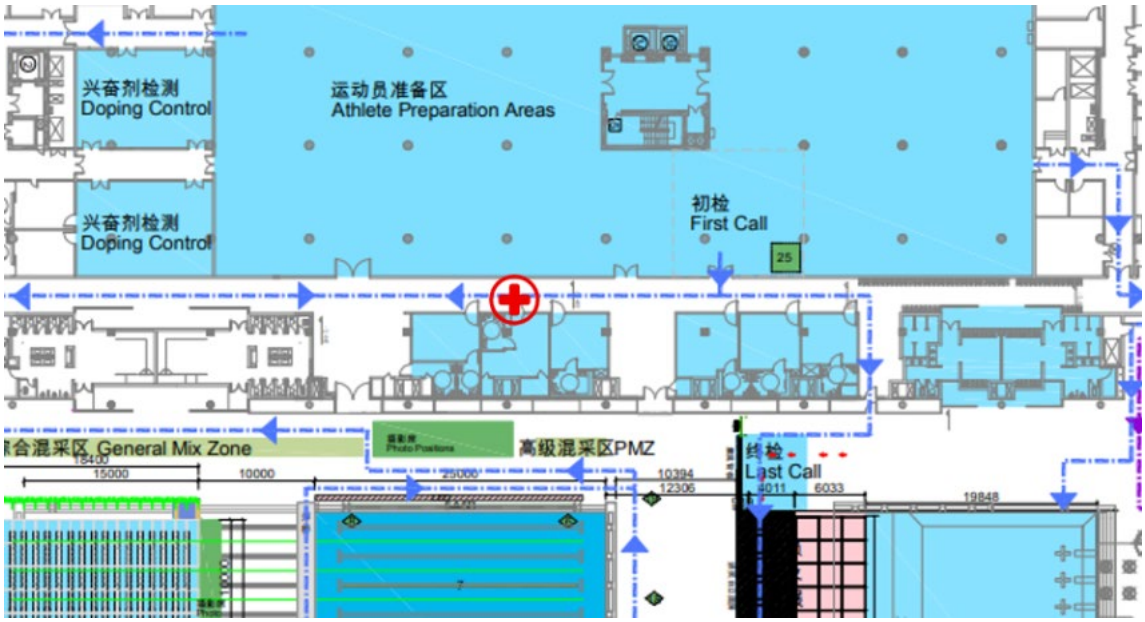
Services Providers

The primary service provider is Beijing Emergency Medical Center - https://120beijing.cn/

Access to Medical Facilities

During the Championships, access to the venue medical rooms will be provided exclusively to medical staff, athletes, coaches, team managers, and the members of Team AQUA with appropriate accreditation access.

The main Medical Station is located next to the Athlete Preparation Area (see image).



Separate first aid support will be available to Media and Spectators.

Medical Hotline

For any medical information in case of mild symptoms outside the operation hours, you may contact the Chief Medical Officer or the Deputy Chief Medical Officer.

Designated hospitals

Designated hospitals are:

- Peking University Third Hospital PUTH (sports medicine)

Address: 49 Huayuan North Road, Haidian District, Beijing, China

- The Ninth Medical Center of the Chinese People's Liberation Army (General Hospital)

Address: No. 9 Anxiangbeili, Deshengmen Outer (Chaoyang District), Beijing, China

- Beijing Anzhen Hospital (cardiovascular diseases)

Address: No. 2 Anzhen Road, Chaoyang District, Beijing, 100029, China

Note: Credit cards are not widely accepted at Chinese hospitals, so it is advisable to pay with a Chinese payment app or in cash.

ORGANISING COMMITTEE MEDICAL STAFF

Chief Medical Officer (CMO)

Dr Wang Ying will be responsible for overseeing the delivery of the Medical Services program across the World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25M) Beijing 2026

- Dr. WANG Ying, Chief Medical Officer (Mr.)
  Tel. +86 139 0124 4644

  Email:wangyingwild@aliyun.com

- Dr. WANG Li, Deputy Chief Medical Officer (Ms.)
  Tel. +86 18518622809

World Aquatics and the OC assume no responsibility for any healthcare provided by NF healthcare personnel to NF team members and delegates.

Health Care Personnel (HCP)

Beijing Emergency Medical Center is the appointed Medical Provider for this Championships.

Beijing Emergency Medical Center will provide for the provision of medical personnel and ambulatory support at training, competition and non-sporting venues.

This includes:

- Venue Doctors
- Venue Medical Managers
- Paramedics
- Ambulatory Services

Training Venue Medical Desks

During the official training periods, there will be two (2) Paramedics stationed at the medical desk/ post. In event of an emergency, injured athlete will be transferred to designated hospital after receiving first aid.

Competition Venue Medical Desk/ Post

During the competition periods, there will be one (1) Venue Doctor, (1) Venue Medical Manager, two (2) Paramedics and one (1) emergency ambulance stationed at the medical desk/ post. In event of an emergency, injured athlete will be transferred to designated hospital after receiving first aid.

Lifeguards

Lifeguards are China Life Saving Association Certified and undergoing regular training. A minimum of two (2) lifeguards per swimming pool (competition pool or training pool) are required for the duration of the training and competition.

EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY TRANSPORT

In the event of a Medical Emergency, please call "**120**" for Emergency Medical Service in China.

For non-emergency, please call "**+86 139 01244644**" for Medical Transport operated by appointed Medical Service Provider.

OTHER SERVICES

Ice

Ice will be available for teams.

Physiotherapy & Massage services

No services will be available to swimmers.

Medical Imaging

For any medical imaging examinations required during the event, please contact the OC Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Wang.

MEDICAL EXPENSES, INSURANCE & LIABILITY

Health Insurance

Each individual accredited participant must have a personal medical insurance covering the medical costs including repatriation in China.

Each National Federation is responsible for ensuring that each nominated member of its delegation (athlete, officials, etc.) has valid a personal medical insurance covering the medical costs including repatriation in China.

The medical service providers (hospital, doctors, etc,) are entitled to request compensation for healthcare services not included in the first aid services.

World Aquatic Travel & Accident Insurance

We remind all Federations that World Aquatics' participants travel and accident insurance during events is only an "umbrella" coverage. It serves as a supplementary coverage to the participant's own health insurance in case it is insufficient. The World Aquatics insurance should never be considered as sufficient cover on its own.

In fact, if a participant does not have their own coverage, the World Aquatics insurance has a cap, and in cases like expensive repatriation, it would not cover the full costs.

TEAM DOCTORS

Team doctors must register to the Chief Medical Officer: wangyingwild@aliyun.com.

World Aquatics and the Beijing 2026 Organising Committee assume no responsibility for any healthcare provided by NF healthcare personnel to NF team members and delegates.

It is recommended that NF healthcare professionals inform their insurance company that they are traveling abroad with a sport's team, and check whether their professional liability insurance covers this activity.

Each NF should make its own arrangements for professional liability insurance.

IMPORTATION OF MEDICATIONS AND MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

Team Doctors - Medication Declaration before travelling

For controlled medicines including psychotropic substances being brought into China, team doctors must proceed to the Customs declaration channel **(Red Channel, Goods to declare)** after flight arrival and complete the Customs Declaration Form for Inbound and Outbound Passengers' Luggage Articles of the People's Republic of China.

A template form and a table are available in Annexe A.

> For Category I Psychotropic drugs, doctors may only be carried within the maximum dosage specified on a single prescription, supported by a medical certificate issued by a medical institution and the holder's identity document.
>
> For Category II Psychotropic drugs, inbound carriage also requires on-site Customs declaration. The prescribed dosage may be appropriately extended to meet clinical needs, and supporting documents such as a medical certificate from a medical institution shall be kept ready

Team doctors are advised to complete the form and the list and to submit them to the LOC Freight Partners: eventsbj@sinoair.com and copy the CMO: wangyingwild@aliyun.com

> *When in doubt, contact the Chinese embassy/consulate in your country before travelling.*
>
> *For prescribed Narcotics, please contact the Chinese Embassy in your country to have further information.*

Pharmacy

If a Team Doctor anticipates that certain controlled medications cannot be brought into China, they should be advised to visit a local outpatient clinic in Beijing after arrival, where these medications can be prescribed and obtained in accordance with Chinese regulations. The OC CMO will assist you to coordinate appointment with the designated hospital.

Medical Equipment Declaration before travelling

For temporary admission or ATA Carnet equipment, please provide value evidence, the serial-number list, and the import and re-export plan. Add technical parameters for wireless or battery-powered devices.

For any assistance, please send it to: eventsbj@sinoair.com

Personal medication

Personal common and maintenance medications are allowed to bring their regular common medications. Pack only the medications that are strictly necessary for your stay in Beijing. Such personal medications usually pass through the **Green Channel** (Nothing to declare) without a separate declaration at customs. Medications must be in their original packaging with the original labels.

For prescribed medication, bring a letter from your doctor confirming your condition and naming the medication by both its active ingredient and brand name. It is essential to verify that the medications in question are authorised in China. Documents should be in Chinese or English; attach a Chinese or English translation if the original is in another language.

- When in doubt for a medication, use the **Red Channel (Goods to declare)** and declare it to customs at your airport arrival.

Regulated Psychotropic & Narcotic Medicines (Category I & II)

Certain essential medications are strictly regulated in China and require to be declared (**Red Channel**).

For Class I psychotropic medicines, travellers may carry quantities up to the maximum permitted under a single prescription, provided they present a medical diagnosis certificate issued by a medical institution and their personal identification.

Class II psychotropic medicines must likewise be declared to Customs upon arrival. The duration covered by the prescription may be extended as appropriate to meet treatment needs.

Medications must be in their original packaging with the original labels. It should be noted that quantity authorised for your stay may be limited. Bring a letter from your doctor confirming your condition and naming the medication by both its active ingredient and brand name. Documents should be in Chinese or English; attach a Chinese or English translation if the original is in another language.

Methylphenidate:

The athlete/individual should carry their own personal medication with the documentation described below:

An individual may carry narcotic drugs and the psychotropic drugs of Class I within the maximum dosage of a single prescription upon the medical certificate issued by a medical institution and his/her identity certificate.

When entering China with narcotic drugs and psychotropic drugs, the athlete/individual shall present the medical certificate, a photocopy of the prescription, and an identity document or passport to the Customs (Red Channel-Goods to declare). Documents should be in Chinese or English.

The number of pharmaceuticals other than narcotic drugs and psychotropic drugs carried by individuals to China for their own use shall be limited to the extent of self-use and reasonableness and be subject to customs control.

For prescribed Narcotics, please contact the Chinese Embassy in your country to have further information.

Prohibited Medication

Amphetamine based medications (e.g Adderall, Vyvanse, etc.) are prohibited in China, even with a valid prescription. If you currently take one of these medications, talk to your prescribing doctor before your trip.

CBD (cannabidiol) products and derivatives (even if the THC content is 0%) are prohibited in China.

For any question or any doubt on a medication, please contact the OC CMO: wangyingwild@aliyun.com

4. DOPING CONTROL

General Information

Urine and blood samples will be collected during the World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25M) – Beijing 2026 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 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. As a 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 and understand that in case they need to take a prohibited substance for medical reasons, a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) must be obtained beforehand by contacting the International Testing Agency (ITA) at tue@ita.sport.

Teams' Medical Personnel should also be reminded of the strict conditions governing the intravenous route of administration of any substance for clinical purposes. Information regarding these can be found on the websites of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), International Testing Agency (ITA) and Aquatics Integrity Unit (AQIU). www.wada-ama.org ; www.aquaticsintegrity.com ; www.ita.sport.

Mandatory Anti-Doping education course prior to participation

Athlete

As per the World Aquatics Doping Control Rules, any athlete participating in World Aquatics Events must, prior to participation, have successfully completed the eLearning Anti-Doping Education course "International-Level Athletes Education Program" or a course developed by their respective NADO and recognised by the AQIU (Aquatics Integrity Unit).* Any athlete who has not met this requirement will not be eligible to compete and thus will not have their accreditation activated.

Team Official: Coach, Head Coach, Chef de Mission, Team Leader, or Support Staff

As per the World Aquatics Doping Control Rules, anyone registered as a team official—including coach, head coach, chef de mission, team leader, support staff—for World Aquatics Events must, prior to participation, have successfully completed the eLearning Anti-Doping Education course "Coaches of High Performance Education Program" or a course developed by their respective NADO and recognised by the AQIU (Aquatics Integrity Unit).* Anyone who has not met this requirement will not be eligible to participate and thus will not have their accreditation activated.

Team Official: Doctor, Medical Professional, Massage Therapist, or Physiotherapist

As per the World Aquatics Doping Control Rules, anyone registered as a team official—including doctor, medical professional, massage therapist, physiotherapist—for World Aquatics Events must, prior to participation, have successfully completed the eLearning Anti-Doping Education course "ADEL for Medical Professional's Education Program" or a course developed by their respective NADO and recognised by the AQIU (Aquatics Integrity Unit).* Anyone who has not met this requirement will not be eligible to participate and thus will not have their accreditation activated.

*** AQIU (Aquatics Integrity Unit) Recognised NADO Education Programs**

Please refer to the list of anti-doping education programs from National Anti-Doping Organisations (NADOs) whose certifications are recognised by the AQIU here. These certifications will be accepted as fulfilling the mandatory anti-doping education requirements for all World Aquatics competitions.

Steps to Complete the ADEL Certification

Please follow these instructions in order to complete the ADEL course:

Step 1:

Access the eLearning course webpage here.

Step 2:

Click on "Register here" and follow the steps to register an account.

Step 3:

Sign in to the new account just created.

Step 4:

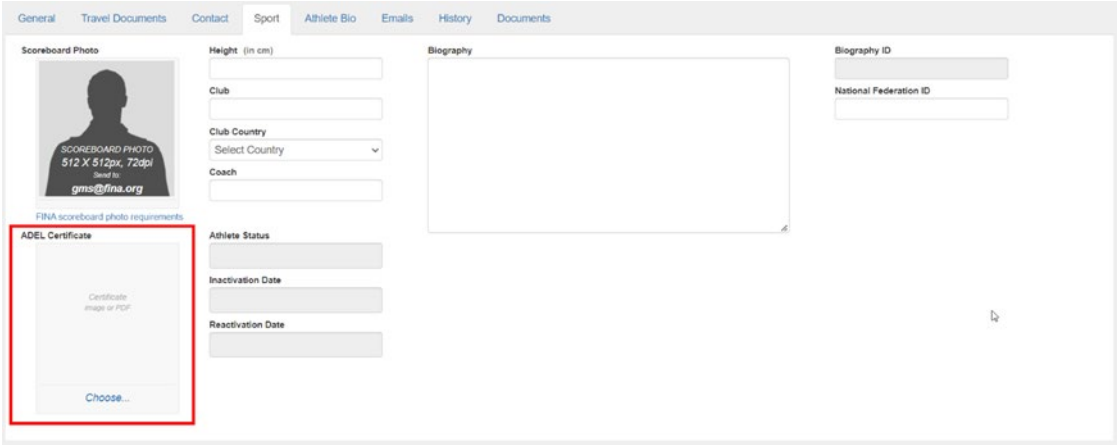
Based on the category, select the course **"International-Level Athletes Education Program"**, **"Coaches of High-Performance Education Program"** or **"ADEL for Medical Professional's Education Program"**, click on 'Start Learning Now', and complete the course to obtain at least 80% at the final exam at the end of the course. You can do the course again if you do not achieve 80% the first time. The athletes' course is available in twenty-three languages, the coaches' course in seventeen languages, and the medical professionals' course is offered in three languages. Each course takes up to 2-3 hours to complete. The courses can also be accessed through the **"ADEL by WADA"** mobile application.

Step 5:

Once the course has been successfully completed, download the certificate of completion, and send it to your World Aquatics Member. The ADEL guidelines to download the certificate can be found here. In case of any queries that may arise regarding downloading the certificate, you may also reach out to ADEL Helpdesk at here.

Step 6:

The World Aquatics Member must upload the certificate of completion of each athlete on their respective GMS profile here (in the Sport tab).



Note: In order to avoid any issues, Members should not wait until their teams are finalised to inform their athletes and team officials about this requirement. Rather, they should ask all athletes and team officials who could potentially participate in the event to complete the course immediately.

Athletes and team officials are encouraged to renew their certifications every four years to stay up to date with the latest anti-doping regulations and procedures.

For any questions regarding this requirement, please contact info@aquaticsintegrity.com

World Records and World Junior Records

As per the World Aquatics Doping Control Rules, any Athlete equalling or breaking a World Record or World Junior Record in Swimming, shall be tested immediately after the race, or at the latest, 24 hours after the race. If not selected for doping control after the race, it is the sole responsibility of the athlete(s) to come to the doping control station to request being tested.

Continental or National Record

Should an Athlete equal or break a continental or a national record, it is the sole responsibility of the athlete(s) to check whether the rules of their Continental Organization(s) or Member(s) require a negative doping control test in order to recognise the record. If this is required, the athlete must go to the doping control station to request a doping control test. This test will have to be paid for by the athlete or their Member.

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 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

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

5. SAFEGUARDING MEASURES

World Aquatics and the Aquatics Integrity Unit are taking safeguarding actions prior to and during the World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25M) – Beijing 2026 to ensure (i) the safety of all participants, (ii) a safe and abuse-free environment throughout the event, and (iii) the enforcement of the World Aquatics Rules on the Prevention from Harassment and Abuse.

What is a Safeguarding concern?

Anything that causes a person to be concerned for their own safety or that of another person, or that makes them feel uncomfortable is potentially a safeguarding concern.

Who will handle safeguarding concerns during the event?

The Aquatics Integrity Unit will handle safeguarding concerns during the event. The Aquatics Integrity Unit will be available to the Team Leaders to provide support, guidance and advice if a safeguarding concern arises.

What is my role in Safeguarding as a Team Leader?

As the Team Leader you are responsible for reporting concerns and providing support, advice and guidance to all team members.

Your tasks are:

- Know your team and make sure they know who you are and your contact details.
- Know the contact details of the Aquatics Integrity Unit
- Make sure your team members understand the World Aquatics Rules on the Prevention from Harassment and Abuse, your safeguarding responsibilities and the support you can provide to them.
- If a Safeguarding concern is reported to you:
  - Listen to their concerns
  - Stay calm
  - Be empathetic
  - Write down the information and facts they share with you
  - Report the concern to the Aquatics Integrity Unit

How should I report a Safeguarding concern?

Safeguarding concerns can be reported to the Aquatics Integrity Unit by phone or email.

Phone: +41 21 552 75 01
Email: report@aquaticsintegrity.com

Important Safety Information

- Smoking and alcohol consumption in public is prohibited.
- Drone restrictions: Flying, possession, storage, and transportation of drones to Beijing is prohibited without authorisation.
- Local Emergency Contacts
  Police: 110
  Medical Emergency: 120

6. ATHLETES & DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES

In addition to the competition taking place during the World Aquatics Swimming Championships, World Aquatics is pleased to offer activities for athletes, coaches and National Federations that hopefully enriches the overall experience for all participants. These activities aim to create a dynamic environment where athletes, coaches, and representatives of National Federations can connect, learn, and share in the spirit of the aquatics' community.

All workshops, information sessions, the medical seminar and anti-doping conference will take place in the workshop room at the venue.

- Development information sessions for National Federations

Join us from 17:30 to 19:00 on 1 December for Asia, Oceania and Africa, and on 2 December for Europe and the Americas.

- Athletes' workshop

On 3 December from 17:30, join Ranomi Kromowidjojo and Jacqueline Simoneau to discuss how to manage anxiety around a major event.

- Medical seminar

All medical staff participating to Beijing 2026 are invited to join us on 4 December from 13:00 to 17:00.

- Athletes/Scholarship holders' workshop

On 4 December from 17:30 to 18:30, Ranomi Kromowidjojo and Otylia Jędrzejczak will lead a workshop on preparing for your race. Attendance is mandatory for scholarship holders.

- Coaches' workshop

On 5 December from 17:30, Russell Mark and James Gibson will analyse races from Singapore.

- Biomechanics analysis with Russell Mark

Scholarship holders and Athletes can book an analysis from 29 November to 5 December between competition sessions. Booking is required using the QR code below:

- Athletes' lounge

All athletes are invited to drop by the lounge in the venue's warm-up area and take part in a range of activities.

- Coaches' lounge

Coaches are welcome to stop by the lounge located in the team preparation area to connect with colleagues and complete a survey for a chance to win a gift.

- World Aquatics Anti-Doping Conference

Athletes, Team officials and Member Federations are invited to join the Anti-Doping Conference on 3 December at 13:00, featuring Ross Wenzel, a global expert in sports law and anti-doping, and representatives from the International Testing Agency (ITA), for insightful discussions on key anti-doping topics. Register here.

More information about these activities will be shared as we get closer to the event. We encourage all participants to stay connected and informed through Events Insider, where full details and schedules will be published. We look forward to welcoming you not only to the competition venues, but also to this vibrant and engaging programme running throughout the Championships. Stay tuned!

7. RELEVANT DOCUMENTS

For Athletes, Coaches and National Federations	Summons (version 2.0)
	Team Accommodation
	Customs & Freight Guide
	Medications and Medical Devices Guide

ANNEXE A / Declaration for the Import of Drugs

This is an example. Please use your own letterhead.

To China Customs,

Dr. [Name], team physician for [National Federation], is carrying a travel medical bag containing medicines, first-aid supplies, and medical devices intended exclusively for the medical care of the accompanying athletes and team staff during **World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25m) Beijing 2026**.

The detailed inventories are enclosed.

All medications listed are for temporary use only for the World Aquatics Swimming Championships (25m) Beijing 2026.

The items will remain under the doctor's control, and the remaining medication will be re-exported upon departure.

Name of the National Federation:

Name:

Signature:

Date:

ANNEXE A-1 / INVENTORY

Declaration for the Import of Drugs (Non-Narcotic and Non-Psychotropic Drugs)

No.	Personal or team stock	Generic and brand name	All active ingredients	Form strength daily dose	Qty and treatment period	Controlled special category	Storage and transport	Import route and unused-stock plan

ANNEXE A-2 / Declaration for the Import of Narcotic and Psychotropic Drugs

INVENTORY

No.	Personal or team stock	Generic and brand name	All active ingredients	Form strength daily dose	Qty and treatment period	Controlled special category	Storage and transport	Import route and unused-stock plan