

FINA/airweave Swimming World Cup 2017 Presented by Eiffel

General Information Sheet Eindhoven, Netherlands – 11 & 12 August 2017 Pieter van den Hoogenband zwemstadion

The Royal Dutch Swimming Federation has the honour and pleasure to invite you to the FINA/airweave Swimming World Cup 2017 meet, to be held in Eindhoven, the Netherlands (NED).

The following information has been designed to assist your National Federation in its decision to attend this event.

Please note that all events in the FINA/airweave Swimming World Cup 2017 series will be conducted according to FINA Rules.

EVENT CONTACT

Should you have any questions or queries regarding the information provided in this document please feel free to contact the Eindhoven Organising Committee:

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EVENT KEY DATES

July, 22 nd 2017	Nominations, Sport Entries, Accommodation, Travel Details
August, 10, 2017	Managers Meeting (@ 17:00 /Official Team Hotel)
August, 9, 2017	Official Training - OPEN Competition Pool (09:00 – 13:00 /18:00 – 21:00) Training Pool (09:00 – 13:00 /18:00 – 21:00)
August, 11-12, 2017	Competition

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Sites and Dates for the FINA/airweave Swimming World Cup 2017

Cluster 1

Moscow (RUS)	August 2/Wed – 3/Thu
Berlin (GER)	August 6/Sun – 7/Mon
Eindhoven (NED)	August 11/Fri – 12/Sat

Cluster 2

Doha (QAT)	Sept 22/Fri – 23/Sat
Dubai (UAE)	Sept 26/Tue – 27/Wed
Hong Kong (HKG)	Sept 30/Sat – Oct 1/Sun

Cluster 3

Beijing (CHN)	Nov 10/Fri – 11/Sat
Tokyo (JPN)	Nov 14/Tue – 15/Wed
Singapore (SIN)	Nov 18/Sat – 19/Sun

PARTICIPANTS

Meets are open to entries from all national member federations of FINA and except for clubs within its own country, the HMF shall correspond with, and accept entries, only from national member federations of FINA, and not with clubs, coaches or individual swimmers. The HMF may choose to send a National Team and/or Club Representative. **The number of club swimmers may not exceed 200.**

HMF are encouraged to continue inviting top athletes, most specifically individual medallists of the last Olympic Games (Rio 2016), FINA World Championships (Kazan 2015) and FINA World Swimming Championships (25m) (Windsor 2016). These invited athletes are required to sign off the “athlete declaration form” in which he/she agrees to make themselves available in a minimum one (1) hour per day during the meet in promotional activities linked with the meet.

Each HMF shall be obliged to enter National Stars’ within the Host Country meet and shall use its best efforts to ensure the attendance of top swimmers in all other Meets.

ENTRY PROCESS & PROTOCOL

Registration: registration and entries of all National Federations will take place online through the **FINA’s General Management System (GMS)** via <https://data.fina.org> Each national federation will access the system to complete their registrations before the designated deadline for each event.

Support and assistance will be provided by the GMS Support Team via aquaticsdb@fina.org

The entries of Club Athletes will be collected by the Organising Committee directly (not through the FINA GMS).

All national federation swimmers – including medal winners as outlined above – will enter through the GMS. It is then known in which event(s) medal swimmer(s) will take part.

All other participants will have to qualify in the Heats for the remaining spots in the Final(s). If a “medal swimmer” wants to swim any other event than the one where he/she is medalled, he/she has to qualify through the Heats. There are no Semi-Finals.

Medal swimmers should be seeded in the Finals by their best time achieved in a 25m pool according

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to the FINA Rankings. If no 25m pool time is available in the FINA Rankings a 50m pool time from the FINA Rankings may be used.

Entry Times:

The entry times will only be accepted if they have been completed within the maximum qualifying period of 15 months prior to the entry deadline. All times outside of this qualifying period will not be accepted.

In the case of Eindhoven, the Netherlands, the qualifying period for entry times is from April 22nd, 2016 to July 22nd, 2017

FINAL Sport Entries Deadline:

Athlete nomination and sport entries into individual and team events must be completed and submitted **10 days** before the start of the first meet of the cluster, but no later than July 22nd, 2017

Team officials and NF Representatives shall also be registered by the deadline of 22nd July, 2017

All “medal swimmers” as outlined above shall have a direct access to the relevant final of the event where they won individual medals.

The total number of individual entries by swimmer and by meet is limited to 4 (four).

For relays, entries are accepted as follows: one team per relay per nation/NF, plus any club team from the domestic HMF.

Protocol

Costume Protocol - Swimwear worn shall be according to FINA by-laws BL7 and BL8.

MANAGERS/REPRESENTATIVES MEETING

A Managers/Representatives meeting will be held at the competition venue on August, 10, 2017 at 17.00 hrs. One representative from each National Federation/Club must attend this meeting. No show will be fined CHF 100 according to GR 7.1. This will be the last opportunity to make entry changes for duly entered National Teams and Clubs.

- Scratches for the first session of heats are due by the close of business of the managers/representatives meeting.
- Scratches for the second session of heats are due one (1) hour prior to the start of finals the first evening.
- DNS will be fined according to FINA Rules.

COMPETITION INFORMATION

The FINA/airweave Swimming World Cup 2017 – Eindhoven, the Netherlands (NED) meet will be held in a ten (10) lane, 25 metre competition pool. The competition programme of all meets will consist of the following individual events for both Men and Women:

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- Freestyle 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m (W), 1500m (M)
- Backstroke 50m, 100m, 200m
- Breaststroke 50m, 100m, 200m
- Butterfly 50m, 100m, 200m
- Individual Medley 100m, 200m, 400m

The events for Eindhoven can be found in below schedule.

All events will be swum with heats and finals, except the 800m freestyle women, 1500m freestyle men, and 400m individual medley men and women, to be staged as timed finals with the slowest(s) heats(s) during the morning session and the fastest heat during the Finals session. No semi-finals shall be swum in any Meet.

Heats will be held using 10 lanes, Finals using 8 lanes.

Competition Programme:

Meet 3 of the Cluster

Day 1 – August, 11, 2017		Day 2 – August, 12, 2017	
Heats: 10:00	Finals: 19:00	Heats: 10:00	Finals: 19:00
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 m Breaststroke Women • 100 m Backstroke Men • 100 m Freestyle Women • 400 m Freestyle Men • 200 m Butterfly Women • 100 m Ind. Medley Men • 200 m Backstroke Women • 200 m Butterfly Men • 800 m Freestyle Women • 50 m Breaststroke Men • 200 m Ind. Medley Women • 50 m Freestyle Men • 4 x 50 m Medley Mixed 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 m Freestyle Men • 50 m Breaststroke Women • 200 m Breaststroke Men • 400 m Ind. Medley Women • 50 m Backstroke Men • 100 m Backstroke Women • 200 m Ind. Medley Men • 50 m Butterfly Women • 1500 m Freestyle Men • 200 m Freestyle Women • 100 m Butterfly Men • 4 x 50 m Freestyle Mixed 	

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Each event will follow the same running order and in terms of ceremony, there will be only one (a parade of Champions) at the very end of day, with interviews with race winners/stars after each race.

All announcements, instructions, and commands during the event will be delivered in English.

RULES

All events included for competition shall be conducted under the rules of FINA.

SCORING AND PRIZE MONEY

1. BY MEET

1.1 By Event

a) Medal points

At each Meet, the competition programme includes 22/23 individual events for women and men. For each individual event, the points are awarded as follows:

- First place (Gold Medallist): 12 points
- Second place (Silver Medallist): 9 points
- Third place (Bronze Medallist): 6 points

In case of tie, both swimmers receive the same number of points (eg. two winners 12 points each, 6 points for third).

b) Prize money for Medallists

For each individual event, the prize money shall be distributed as follows:

- First place: US\$ 1,500.-
- Second place: US\$ 1,000.-
- Third place: US\$ 500.-
- Fourth place: US\$ 400.-
- Fifth place: US\$ 300.-
- Sixth place: US\$ 200.-

In case of tie, the prize money will be shared (e.g. if there are two winners: US\$ 1,500 + US\$ 1,000 = US\$ 2,500 to be equally shared i.e. US\$ 1,250 for each swimmer – the third placed swimmer receives US\$ 500.-).

The method of distribution of the prize money shall be announced to the swimmers at each Meet during a briefing or at the Managers/Representatives meeting.

The total amount of the prize money has to be paid to the swimmers without any deductions.

The above prize money, US\$ 3,900 per event, amounting to a total of US\$ 89,700 for 23 or US\$ 85,800 for 22 individual events, has to be provided and paid to the swimmers by each HMF/OC.

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c) Relays Prize Money

OC will provide the following Prize Money in each meet:

Each Mixed Relay (2 events per meet):

- First place: US\$ 3,000.-
- Second place: US\$ 2,000.-
- Third place: US\$ 1'000.-

OC will provide in total USD 101'700 (for 23 individual events + relays) or USD 97'8000 (for 22 individual events + relays).

Only teams representing National Federations (not club) will be entitled to Relay Prize Money (maximum one team/NF per race).

The National Federation of all swimmers winning prize money will inform the HMF/OC as to whether the prize money will be paid to the National Federation or directly to the athlete.

1.2 Meet Performance points

According to the FINA short course points table of the relevant year, the following additional scoring shall be awarded to the top 3 best performances men and to the top 3 best performances women, swum at heats or finals:

- Best performance (highest FINA points table): 24 points
- Second best performance: 18 points
- Third best performance: 12 points

These performance points are not cumulative, only the best performance of each swimmer is taken into account.

In case of tie within any of the top 3 swimmers, the second best performance of the relevant swimmers is taken into account, thereafter the third best performance if the tie remains.

1.3 World Records

A swimmer breaking a world record shall receive the following bonuses:

- an extra 20 points
- a prize money of US\$ 10,000.-

A swimmer equalling a world record shall receive the following bonuses:

- an extra 10 points
- no prize money will be distributed

Handling for World Records:

- The payment of US\$ 10,000.- shall be symbolically made with a presentation cheque to be handed out at the awards ceremony
- FINA will provide artwork for a presentation cheque to be used at all Meets
- If in one same event (heat or final) two or more swimmers better the World Record, only the winner of that event will receive the US\$ 10,000.- Prize Money

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- World Records achieved at a split will not be considered neither for the 20 bonus points nor for the US\$ 10,000.- Prize Money. To be eligible, World Records must be achieved over the actual competition distance of the event.

1.4 Meet scoring

The Meet Scoring is the total of the Medal points, the Performance points and the World Record points.

One ranking shall be established for men, another for women.

1.5 Additional Awards/Prizes

- Each HMF/OC may offer additional awards and prizes as it sees fit. Any such awards and prizes should be clearly identified at the Managers/Representatives Meeting at the latest.
- Airweave gifts will only be given to the two athletes (one man, one woman) with the best performances in each meet, in according to the FINA Points Table. For that, a dedicated and brief ceremony will be held at the end of each leg.

2 BY CLUSTER

2.1 Cluster Scoring

The ranking of each Cluster will be established by adding the Meet Scorings of the relevant Meets of that Cluster, once for men, once for women.

In case of tie, consideration will be given to achievements at any event during that Cluster as follows:

- If a swimmer has broken one World Record (or broke one more WR than the other swimmer), priority is given to the swimmer with this exclusive WR performance
- If both swimmers broke one WR each (or broke a same number of WR), priority is given to the swimmer having the best FINA Points Table WR
- If the tie remains, or if there is a tie between swimmers who have not broken any World Record, priority is given to the swimmer with the highest total of Medal points during that Cluster
- In case of tie with the Cluster Medal points, priority is given to the swimmer with the highest Meet Medal points achieved at any of the Meet of that Cluster

NOTE: to be eligible for this Cluster Scoring, it is compulsory to participate at all Meets of that Cluster.

2.2 Cluster Prize Money

For each Cluster, the following Prize Money will be distributed, once for men, once for women:

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1 st place:	US\$ 50,000.-	4 th place:	US\$ 20,000.-
2 nd place:	US\$ 35,000.-	5 th place:	US\$ 10,000.-
3 rd place:	US\$ 30,000.-	6 th place:	US\$ 5,000.-

The total Prize Money per Cluster is US\$ 300,000.- which makes an overall purse of US\$ 900,000.-

Handling for the Cluster Winners (first male, first female):

- The payment of US\$ 50,000.- shall be symbolically made with a presentation cheque to be handed out at the awards ceremony
- FINA will provide artwork for a presentation cheque to be used at all Clusters

3 Overall Final Classification

3.1 Overall Scoring

The Overall winners (first woman and first man) will be decided by adding all Meet Scorings of the participants.

The male swimmer and the female swimmer finishing first of the Overall Scoring shall be declared Winners of the SWC.

In case of tie, priority is given to the swimmer with the best position in any of the Clusters. If the tie remains, prevails the swimmer with one or a higher number of WR performance. If a tie still exists, the WR performance having the best score in the FINA Points Table.

3.2 Overall Prize Money

The total sum of US\$ 200,000.- shall be equally shared between the first Woman and first Man only.

Handling for the Overall Winners (first male, first female):

- The payment of US\$ 100,000.- shall be symbolically made with a presentation cheque to be handed out at the awards ceremony
- FINA will provide artwork for a presentation cheque to be used at the last Meet.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

All visitors to Eindhoven, the Netherlands should have a valid visa for their entry and stay in the country.

The organizing committee will facilitate an entry visa to Eindhoven, the Netherlands for all participants of the World Cup and coordinate all the required procedures upon receipt of (a) electronic copies of a valid passport (at least for 6 months from the entry date), (b) date of arrival and (c) country of residence. All information should reach the organizing committee no later than Date (June, 30, 2017).

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For additional information on whether a Visa is needed for entry into Eindhoven, the Netherlands please visit <https://www.netherlandsandyou.nl/travel-and-residence/visas-for-the-netherlands>.

Please note the VISA application process may take up to 3 days or more depending on various criteria.

ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS

The organising committee will organise the accommodation for all participating athletes and team officials of that event as per FINA/airweave Swimming World Cup rules & regulations.

The Official Teams hotel for the FINA/airweave Swimming World Cup – Eindhoven, the Netherlands will be the Van der Valk (4-star) located at a 5 minute drive from the competition venue.



Room rates are:

- Single: 175 EURO (full board) per night /per room*
- Double: 298 EURO (full board) per night /per room*

*Excluding city tax 3,50 per person per night

To avoid cancellation charges the accommodation department must be notified of any amendments or cancellation latest by **July, 5, 2017**

Cancellation terms

Between July 5, 2017- July 21 2017, a 50% of the total estimated costs will be charged.

After July, 21, 2017, a 100% of the total estimated costs will be charged

No-shows will be charged 100% of the total estimated costs.

Special offer

For athletes travelling from Berlin to Eindhoven, the costs for the first night at the Hotel Van Der Valk Eindhoven will be covered by the LOC. The rate for F&B on the first day will be charged at €50,- EUR.

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LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

The organizing committee will welcome all members of the participating National Federations at the Eindhoven International Airport (<https://www.eindhovenairport.nl/en>) at the Welcome desk, providing transportation services between the Airport, the Official Team hotel and the Competition Venue.

Transportation schedules will be provided upon arrival and are part of the detailed Information Pack.

The organizing committee will facilitate Airport Welcome and Transportation services upon receipt of the Travel Information in the FINA GMS by the deadline of August 7, 2017.

Arrivals

Eindhoven Airport – van der Valk Hotel (20 min)

There will be a bus or mini-van available for transport from the airport to the Hotel. You need to communicate this by sending an email to the organisation with arrival details (WCSEindhoven@tigsports.nl).

Travelling from Berlin to Eindhoven

For teams or individual swimmers competing in Berlin we will arrange transport to Eindhoven by bus on August, 8, 2017. The Organising Committee will offer this direct transport for €50,- EUR. Please send an email to WCSEindhoven@tigsports.nl if you want to make use of this offer.

Training and competition

Van der Valk Hotel – Pool (4 min)

The pool is at walking distance from the Van der Valk Hotel (1.000m). At least There is a shuttle service from the hotel to the pool and back again at a frequency of at least 3 times an hour. It is available from half an hour before the first training/warm-up, until the last athlete has left the competition venue

Taxi service

If you prefer to take a cab, you can make a reservation at: <https://www.brabotax.nl/> +31 40 255 5506.

Departures

If you have provided your travel details the transport information desk will publish your departure details the day before departure.