

# OFFICIAL COMPETITION RULES

## TRANSYLVANIA TRIATHLON FESTIVAL 2026

### General Provisions

The TRANSYLVANIA TRIATHLON FESTIVAL competition (hereinafter referred to as the “Competition”) is a triathlon, swimming, and SUP event aimed at promoting these sports and the Sângeorgiu de Pădure – Bezidu Nou Lake area.

The event is organized by MASTER SKI AND BIKE CLUB and the ROMANIAN TRIATHLON FEDERATION.

Participants are required to accurately assess their physical condition and abilities. Each competitor must hold a medical certificate stating that they are “fit for endurance sports.” While not mandatory, all participants are strongly recommended to have sports accident insurance.

By registering, participants confirm that they have read and accepted all provisions of these regulations. Failure to read the regulations cannot be invoked as lack of information, and participants are fully responsible for any consequences before, during, and after the event.

The Competition is conducted in accordance with the Competition Rules of World Triathlon and the Romanian Triathlon Federation, except for the explicit exceptions set forth in these Regulations.

For open water swimming and SUP events, the organizer adapts and interprets international regulations according to the specific conditions and possibilities of the event. These Regulations are published in accordance with Romanian legislation and are available on the official website:

<https://transylvaniatrathlonfestival.ro/>

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### 1. Date and Venue

The Competition will take place on **27–28 June 2026**, in the **Sângeorgiu de Pădure – Bezidu Nou Lake** area.

The start and finish areas will be set according to the official maps published on the competition website.

Participation kits can be collected on the day preceding the event, according to the official schedule.

The full event program will be published on the official website at least **15 days before the event.**

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## 2. Events and Distances

The following events will be available:

### **Triathlon**

- Super Sprint
- Sprint
- Olympic Distance
- Olympic Distance Relay
- Half Distance
- Half Distance Relay (1.9 km swim)
- Aquathlon – Olympic Distance

### **Swimming & Paddleboard**

- Open Water Swimming (Long Distance)
- Paddle Board (SUP)

All distances are approximate and may vary depending on the specific characteristics of each course.

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## 3. Eligibility

For individual triathlon events, participants must hold a valid license issued by the Romanian Triathlon Federation or, for foreign athletes, by the triathlon federation of their country of origin.

Athletes without a license may participate but will not be included in official federation rankings and will not score national ranking points.

Relay participants may compete without a license, without restrictions.

Participation is valid only after payment of the registration fee.

Participation is allowed only for athletes who meet the required medical conditions and are not under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or prohibited substances.

It is strictly forbidden to bring weapons, explosives, irritant or incapacitating substances, stun devices, or any other objects that may endanger participants or the competition.

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#### 4. Registration Procedure

Registration is completed by filling in the online form available in the “Registration” section of the official website, via the Racehub platform.

Participants must provide accurate and complete information. The organizer is not responsible for verifying the authenticity of the data provided.

Providing false information results in automatic disqualification.

The registration fee is considered a donation covering part of the organizational costs.

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#### 5. Participant Package and Kit Collection

By registering, each athlete receives the standard participant package, the contents of which will be announced prior to the event.

All triathlon, adult swimming, and SUP participants will receive a cotton T-shirt with the official event design. Participants choosing the Pro package will also receive a technical T-shirt.

Kit collection is performed upon presentation of a valid ID and a signed liability waiver.

Participation implies automatic acceptance of these Regulations.

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#### 6. Cancellation, Modification, and Refund Policy

Requests for cancellation must be sent by email to the official contact address listed on the website.

##### **Refund Policy**

- Cancellation at least **90 days** before the event: **50% refund**
- Cancellation at least **30 days** before the event: **25% refund**
- After this period, no refund is granted

Downgrading from a higher-fee event to a lower-fee event results in a refund of the difference minus **20%**, provided the organizer is notified at least **14 days** before the event.

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## 7. Registration Changes

Any registration change (event transfer, participant replacement, relay member change) is subject to a **5% processing fee**.

Changes are allowed up to **14 days** before the event.

### **Special Situations – Water Level**

If by **24 June 2026** the water level of Bezidu Nou Lake does not allow swimming events:

- The swimming segment in triathlon events will be replaced with running
- Open water swimming and SUP events will be canceled

This situation is considered force majeure, and the organizer bears no financial liability.

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## 8. Liability and Declaration

Each participant must submit a signed liability declaration at kit collection.

For minors, the declaration must be signed by a parent or legal guardian.

Participants assume full responsibility for participation. The organizer is not liable for accidents or medical issues.

An ambulance and first-aid point will be present in the start/finish area.

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## 9. Traffic and Course Safety

During the cycling segment, traffic will be completely closed.

Despite closures, vehicles may enter the course from private properties. Participants must ride on the right side and obey traffic rules.

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## 10. Open Water Swimming and SUP Risks

Participation involves inherent risks such as currents, waves, temperature changes, low visibility, cramps, fatigue, collisions, and aquatic hazards.

Safety boats and lifeguards will be present, but each participant must signal distress by raising a hand.

Participants acknowledge and accept all inherent risks and release the organizer from liability to the extent permitted by law.

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## 11. Anti-Doping

Participants may be subject to anti-doping controls by ANAD or other accredited agencies. Sanctioned athletes may be refused participation. All procedures follow WADA standards and Romanian legislation.

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## 12. Time Limits

Official time limits apply to all events and will be announced in advance. Exceeding time limits may result in withdrawal for safety reasons.

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## 13. Safe Withdrawal from the Race

The organizer may stop a participant for safety reasons. Unannounced withdrawal may trigger search operations, the cost of which may be charged to the participant.

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## 14. Timing and Results Validation

Electronic timing is provided by a specialized company. The timing chip must be worn on the ankle and returned after the race. Protests may be submitted within **15 minutes** of race closure, with a **100 RON fee**.

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## 15. Age Categories

Age categories are determined by year of birth only. Age is considered as of the competition year.

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## 16. Officials and Jury

Triathlon events are officiated by Romanian Triathlon Federation officials. Swimming and SUP events are supervised by a dedicated technical jury. A three-member jury will rule on protests; decisions are final.

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## 17. Photo and Video Usage Agreement

Participants grant the organizer unrestricted rights to use photo and video materials for promotional purposes, without financial compensation.