

Information Bulletin





FINA Marathon Swim World Series 2019

General Information

Nantou, Chinese Taipei– 7 September, 2019 Ita Thao Pier

Chinese Taipei has the honour and pleasure to invite you to the FINA Marathon Swim World Series, to be held in Nantou, TPE.

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

Please note that all the events in the 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 Chinese Taipei Swimming Association.

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EVENT KEY DATES

now-18 July, 2019	Preliminary Entries
July 25, 2019	Provisional Accommodation
August 8, 2019	Entries by Name, Accreditation, Accommodation, Travel Details
September 6, 2019	Technical Meeting (@ Fleur de Chine Hotel and time(TBD))
September 3-6, 2019	Official Training (competition venue and pool)
September 7, 2019	Competition

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SITES & DATES of the FINA Marathon Swim World Series 2019

February 16, 2019	Doha (QAT)
May 12, 2019	Seychelles (SEY)
June 8, 2019	Setubal (POR)
June 15, 2019	Balatonfured (HUN)
July 25, 2019	Lac St. Jean (CAN)
August 3, 2019	Lac Magentic (CAN)
August 28, 2019	Ohrid (MKD)
September 7, 2019	Taiwan (TPE)
September 29, 2019	Chun'An (CHN)

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.

HMF are encouraged to continue inviting top athletes, most specifically individual medallists of the last Olympic Games (Rio 2016) and FINA World Championships (**Gwangju 2019**).

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: All National Federation registration and entries will take on the official forms.

Preliminary Entry:

Should you wish to compete at the FINA Marathon Swim World Series - **Nantou, TPE**, please submit your Preliminary Entry no later than **July 18th, 2019**. Preliminary Entries must include the following:

- The number of male swimmers attending the meet.
- The number of female swimmers attending the meet.
- The number of officials being sent by that National Federation.

Upon receiving the Preliminary Entries, **Chinese Taipei Swimming Association** will send a detailed information pack to the National Federation to compete at the event.

FINAL Named Athlete Entry:

Named Entries must be completed and submitted no later than **August 8th, 2019**.

A recent photo of the swimmer has to be sent in digital format together with the entry form.

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Protocol

Costume Protocol - Swimwear worn shall be according to FINA by-laws BL 7 and BL 8.

TECHNICAL / TEAM LEADERS` MEETING

A Technical meeting will be held at the competition venue in **September 6, 2019 at time(TBD)**. One representative from each National Federation/Club must attend this meeting.

COURSE INFORMATION

The competition will be organized on a **2KM** course, swimmers must complete **5** laps course (right shoulder turns) at the Ita Shao Pier. More details on the course design will be disclosed during the Technical Meeting.

CURRENT AND WEATHER INFORMATION

Daily temperatures in September vary between 22 and 30 degree Celsius, and water temperature will be around 25 degree Celsius.

COMPETITION PROGRAMME

FINA Marathon Swim World Series 2019 competition program will include a 10km swim race for men and women. The starting of the race will be announced one month to the start of the competition with its final time to be confirmed at the Team Leaders Meeting.

Awarding ceremony will take place at the competition venue, immediately after the 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.

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POINT SYSTEM AND PRIZE MONEY

1. POINT SYSTEM

In each Event, points will be awarded to the swimmers depending upon their race finishing position. Swimmers may accumulate points at each Event in which they participate and finish, with their total points counting towards the overall final rankings for each year.

The points awarded for both the men's and women's races at each Event will be as follows:

Race Finish Position	Points*
1 st	800
2 nd	700
3 rd	600
4 th	550
5 th	500
6 th	450
7 th	400
8 th	350
9 th	300
10 th	250
All other race finishers:	As it's in the Rules and Regulations 2019

Any swimmers who do not finish the race or who are disqualified will receive zero (0) points.

Any swimmers who the Technical Officials have reason to believe have colluded and/or agreed to finish with a tie, will be subject to disqualification.

2. PRIZE MONEY AT THE EVENT

At each event the OC pays a total of US\$30'000 prize money, equally distributed between men and women, as follows:

1 st	US\$ 3'500
2 nd	US\$ 3'000
3 rd	US\$ 2'500
4 th	US\$ 1'700
5 th	US\$ 1'500
6 th	US\$ 1'200
7 th	US\$ 950
8 th	US\$ 650

- The method of the distribution of the prize money shall be announced to the swimmers at each Event during the Technical Meeting.
- The total amount of the prize money has to be paid to the swimmers without any deductions.
- In case there are less than 8 finishers within a gender for the race, then all the prize money will be redistributed amongst the finishers.

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

3. OVERALL PRIZE MONEY

The overall annual winners will be decided by the male and female swimmers respectively, who have accumulated the most points at Events in that year, provided that they have participated in a minimum of 70% of Events in that year, including the final Event of the season.

The annual prize money to be awarded for both the Men's and Women's Series overall winners is as follows:

1st	US\$ 50'000
2nd	US\$ 35'000
3rd	US\$ 25'000
4th	US\$ 20'000
5th	US\$ 15'000
6th	US\$ 12'000
7th	US\$ 8'000
8th	US\$ 5'000
9th	US\$ 3'500
10th	US\$ 1'500

VISA REQUIREMENTS

All visitors to the **Nantou, Taiwan** should have a valid visa for their entry and stay in the country.

Chinese Taipei Swimming Association will facilitate an entry visa to the **Nantou, Taiwan** for all participants 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 **Chinese Taipei Swimming Association** no later than **August 8th, 2019**.

For additional information on whether a Visa is needed for entry into the **Nantou, Taiwan** please visit <https://www.immigration.gov.tw> Please note that application for Visa may take up to 3 or more days depending on various criteria.

ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS

Chinese Taipei Swimming Association will organise accommodation to all participating athletes and team officials of that event as per FINA Marathon Swim World Series Rules & Regulations.

The Official Teams hotel for the FINA Marathon Swim World Series – **Nantou, Taiwan** will be the **Fleur de Chine Hotel** (5-star / <http://www.fdc-i.com>) located **15** minutes from the competition venue.



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Room rates are:

- Single: **USD 320** (full board) per night /per room
- Double: **USD 350** (full board) per night /per room

To avoid cancellation charges the Accommodation section must be notified of any amendments or cancellation latest by **August 8th, 2019**.

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

Chinese Taipei Swimming Association will welcome all members of the participating National Federations at the **Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport** (<https://www.taoyuan-airport.com>) 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 as part of the detailed Information Pack.

Chinese Taipei Swimming Association will facilitate Airport Welcome and Transportation services upon receipt of the Travel Information Form by no later than **August 8th, 2019**.