

XII ALGARVE INTERNATIONAL MEETING

1. DATE

13th, 14th and 15th November 2026

2. VENUE

Albufeira City Council Swimming Pool Complex (25m / 8 lanes + 17m warm-up and swim-down pool).

3. OFFICIALS

Members of the Regional Swimming Officials Council and National Swimming Officials Council.

Open-age event: Boys and Girls born in 2014 and older.

The competition will be held under the World Aquatics Rules and Regulations.

4. MEET ORGANIZATION

4.1. The competition will be run on an Open-Age format and will be held over five sessions: Friday (afternoon) + Saturday (morning + afternoon) + Sunday (morning + afternoon).

4.2. The events will be held in a single timed final format (800 and 1500m), a two-heat timed final — a “slow heat” + a “fast heat” (400m IM and 400m FR) — and heats + finals (50, 100 and 200m).

4.3. On the 2nd and 3rd days (Saturday and Sunday), the morning sessions will be held in 2 rounds: in the 1st round, the 3 fastest heats of the 50, 100 and 200m events + the “slow heats” of the 400m events will be held; in the 2nd round, the remaining (slower) heats of the 50, 100 and 200m events will be held.

4.4. There will be “B” and “A” finals for each 50, 100 and 200m event, the “B” finals being swum before the “A” finals of each event.

4.5. The swimmers ranked in the top eight places in the heats of each event shall advance to the “A” finals, with the 9th and 10th placed swimmers as reserves. The swimmers ranked between 9th and 16th in the heats shall have access to the “B” finals, with the 17th and 18th placed swimmers as reserves. In both cases, the reserves must report to the Call Room before the event, in case a last-minute force majeure prevents one of the finalists from swimming.

4.6. Scratches from events (cancellation of entries) must be communicated to the organization by midnight on 07-11-2026. Failure to do so will result in a fine of  30 per scratch. Scratches from finals must be declared to the organization, using the appropriate form, within 30 minutes after the conclusion of the respective heats. All absences from finals not communicated within the aforementioned deadline will be subject to a  60 fine.

4.7. TIMETABLE FOR WARM-UPS AND COMPETITION

Date	Day	Sessions	Warm-up start (25m pool)	End of Warm-up (25m pool)	Competition begins
13-11-2026	1	Single session	14:00	15:15	15:30
14-11-2026	2	1st	1st round: 08:00	08:45	09:00
14-11-2026	2	1st	2nd round: 11:00	11:45	12:00
14-11-2026	2	2nd	14:30	15:45	16:00
15-11-2026	3	1st	1st round: 08:00	08:45	09:00
15-11-2026	3	1st	2nd round: 11:00	11:45	12:00
15-11-2026	3	2nd	14:30	15:45	16:00

5. PROGRAM

14-11-2026 — Morning session

Event	Gender	Stage
50m Backstroke	M	Heats
50m Backstroke	F	Heats
400m Freestyle	M	Slow heat
400m Freestyle	F	Slow heat
200m Breaststroke	M	Heats
200m Breaststroke	F	Heats
10' Break		
100m Butterfly	M	Heats
100m Butterfly	F	Heats
400m Medley	M	Slow heat
400m Medley	F	Slow heat
200m Backstroke	M	Heats
200m Backstroke	F	Heats

13-11-2026 — Afternoon session

Event	Gender	Stage
50m Butterfly	M	Heats
50m Butterfly	F	Heats
100m Backstroke	M	Heats
100m Backstroke	F	Heats
1500m Freestyle	M	Timed Final
50m Breaststroke	F	Heats
50m Breaststroke	M	Heats
100m Freestyle	F	Heats
100m Freestyle	M	Heats
1500m Freestyle	F	Timed Final
100m Medley	M	Heats
100m Medley	F	Heats
Awards Ceremony		

14-11-2026 — Afternoon session

Event	Gender	Stage
400m Medley	M	Fast heat
400m Medley	F	Fast heat
200m Backstroke	M	Final
200m Backstroke	F	Final
Awards Ceremony		
50m Breaststroke	M	Final
50m Breaststroke	F	Final
100m Butterfly	M	Final
100m Butterfly	F	Final
Awards Ceremony		
400m Freestyle	M	Fast heat
400m Freestyle	F	Fast heat
100m Medley	M	Final
100m Medley	F	Final
Awards Ceremony		
50m Backstroke	M	Final
50m Backstroke	F	Final
200m Breaststroke	M	Final
200m Breaststroke	F	Final
100m Freestyle	M	Final
100m Freestyle	F	Final
Awards Ceremony		

15-11-2026 — Morning session

Event	Gender	Stage
200m Butterfly	M	Heats
200m Butterfly	F	Heats
50m Freestyle	M	Heats
50m Freestyle	F	Heats
200m Medley	M	Heats
200m Medley	F	Heats
10' Break		
100m Breaststroke	M	Heats
100m Breaststroke	F	Heats
200m Freestyle	M	Heats
200m Freestyle	F	Heats

15-11-2026 — Afternoon session

Event	Gender	Stage
200m Butterfly	M	Final
200m Butterfly	F	Final
50m Freestyle	M	Final
50m Freestyle	F	Final
Awards Ceremony		
800m Freestyle	M	Timed Final
800m Freestyle	F	Timed Final
100m Breaststroke	M	Final
100m Breaststroke	F	Final
Awards Ceremony		
200m Medley	M	Final
200m Medley	F	Final
50m Butterfly	M	Final
50m Butterfly	F	Final
Awards Ceremony		
100m Backstroke	M	Final
100m Backstroke	F	Final
200m Freestyle	M	Final
200m Freestyle	F	Final
Awards Ceremony		

6. PARTICIPATION

All swimmers affiliated with World Aquatics through their national governing bodies may participate.

6.1. ENTRY QUOTAS PER EVENT

- 50m and 100m events: 56 best entry times + 8 best entry times from swimmers from the Algarve* = 8 heats (of each gender).
- 200m events: 42 best entry times + 6 best entry times from swimmers from the Algarve* = 6 heats (of each gender).
- 400m events: 16 best entry times → 2 heats (each gender).
- 800m and 1500m events: 8 best entry times → 1 timed final (each gender).
- * Quotas for the participation of Algarve swimmers in the 50, 100 and 200m events do not include swimmers from Algarve who, due to the level of their entry times, have direct access to the Entry List.

6.2. A competitor may enter a maximum of 6 events throughout the competition.

6.3. Each club/team may enter a maximum of 24 swimmers (male and/or female) in the competition.

6.4. Given that the 1500m and 800m freestyle events are very access-restricted, all swimmers registered for these events may be entered in an additional 6 events, for a total of up to 8 events: 2 distance events (800/1500m) + 6 events of 50, 100, 200 or 400m. When the Entry List is published, clubs will decide and inform the organization by 07 November at 24:00 which event(s) to scratch if the swimmer is accepted in one or two distance events, within the 7 or 8 in which he/she has been entered. Each club must include in the entries email a separate list of swimmers registered in 7 or 8 events under these provisions. If an event quota is still not fulfilled, vacant lanes may be filled by athletes registered in other events, according to the following descending order of priority: (a) swimmers affiliated with the Algarve Swimming Association; (b) older swimmers. Teams must indicate at the technical meeting before Friday's session the swimmers they propose to fill the vacancies.

7. POINT SCORES

The assessment of the overall point score will be achieved through the sum of points awarded by event, according to the following table:

Classification (Finals only)	Scores
1st Place	8 points
2th Place	7 points
3th Place	6 points
4th Place	5 points
5th Place	4 points
6th Place	3 points
7th Place	2 points
8th Place	1 points

8. AWARDS

- Top Three podium finishes.
- €200 prize money for the best (1) male and (1) female times (World Aquatics point scoring) throughout the competition.
- Top Six Best Club teams.
- Top Three Best National or Regional teams. This prize will only be awarded if there are at least three national/regional teams participating in the competition.

9. ENTRIES

9.1. "No Time entries" will not be allowed.

9.2. Entries should be sent to inscricoes@analgarve.com by midnight on 03 November 2026 and must be submitted electronically using the Team Manager software. Teams from countries that do not use Team Manager should send their entries via the Excel document made available by the organizing committee. Any anomaly in the process may result in the cancellation of the entries. Acceptance of entries is subject to receipt of payment.

9.3. Race entry fee will be €6 per event. There will be no refunds on entry payments made after the Entries Close Date, except in the case of payments made for entries of athletes who fall outside the entry quotas for the respective events.

9.4. Payment for entries must be made by bank transfer to: NIB: 0010 0000 35234660001 47 or IBAN: PT50 0010 0000 3523 4660 0014 7

9.5. Entries will only be processed after confirmation of payment.

9.6. For entry purposes, only times obtained between 1st October 2025 and 20th October 2026 must be considered. Entry times obtained outside the aforementioned period will not be accepted.

9.7. After the closing date for entries, only scratches of athletes may be made. No other changes will be allowed.

9.8. The Entry List for the competition will be made available on the SwimRankings webpage on 05 November 2026, so that clubs can organize their logistics, depending on the number of swimmers entering the quotas defined in point 6.3.

9.9. The Start List will be published on 10 November 2026, after considering any scratches/withdrawals presented by the clubs and corrections of errors, until 08 November.

10. OMISSIONS

Over and above these rules, and for any omission, the Organizing Committee and the Officials will abide by the Rules and Regulations of the Portuguese Swimming Federation.

11. JURY OF APPEAL

11.1. Any protests must be submitted in writing to the Referee of the competition, within 30 minutes of the end of the respective session, accompanied by a fee of €100. If the protest is upheld, the amount of the fee will be refunded.

11.2. All protests must be based on matters of fact and shall be considered by the Appeals Jury, composed of the Meet Director, the Meet Technical Director and the Representative of the Regional Swimming Officials Council.

12. DEADLINE TIMELINE

Date	Day	Description
03-11	Tuesday	Entries close (midnight)
04-11	Wednesday	
05-11	Thursday	Entry List published
06-11	Friday	
07-11	Saturday	Deadline (midnight) for clubs/teams to inform the organization of their options regarding 800/1500 entries, request Entry List corrections and submit scratches.
08-11	Sunday	Organization contacts clubs/teams regarding swimmers outside quotas who become included following scratches communicated on 07-11.
09-11	Monday	
10-11	Tuesday	Start List published
11-11	Wednesday	
12-11	Thursday	
13-11	Friday	XII ALGARVE INTERNATIONAL MEETING
14-11	Saturday	
15-11	Sunday	



ADDENDUM TO THE REGULATION

For registration purposes, please be informed that the period for achieving qualifying times specified in the regulations has been extended until 3 November 2026, inclusive.

Therefore, times achieved between 1 October 2025 and 3 November 2026 will be considered valid, with this period superseding the one previously established in the regulations.

Addendum published on 28 October 2026.