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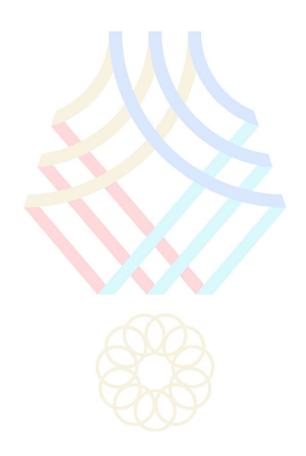
The 33rd SEA Games Thailand 2025

# AQUATICS (OPEN WATER SWIMMING)



# **Technical Handbook**

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# **General Information**







# **Technical Part**







# **Sport Information**

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#### 1. Dates

The Open Water Swimming (OWS) Competition for the 33rd SEA Games Thailand 2025 will be held from 18 and 20 December 2025

Competition Dates: 18 and 20 December 2025

#### 2. Venues

Open Water Swimming Competition will be held in Chonburi, Thailand at **Jomtian Beach**, **Pattaya**, **Chonburi** which serves two (2) purposes:

- The competition field-of-play (FOP)
- The training warm up field.

#### 3. Event

The Open Water Swimming competition will consist of three (3) events consist of

- Men's 10 KM
- Women's 10 KM
- Mixed Relays

Three (3) Events					
Events		MEN	WOMEN	Mixed	
1.	10 Kilometer	٧	٧		
2.	Mixed Relays			٧	
	Total	1	1	1	

**Note:** - For each individual event (10 km), each NOC may enter a maximum of two (2) males and two (2) females without Reserves

- For team events, each NOC can enter only one (1) team per event comprised of two (2) male and two (2) female competitors.

# 4. Competition and Training Schedule

# 4.1 Training Schedule

Pre-competition Training Sessions including familiarization will be provided on 17th December 2025. Training sessions are strictly by allocation. NOCs are required to notify the Sport Information Desk if any NOC doesn't intend to use the allocated training session.

#### 4.1.1 Pre-competition Training

Venue: Jomtian Beach, Pattaya, Chonburi

Dates: 17 December 2025 Time: 08:00 – 11:00 hours







4.1.1 Training/warm-up during competition

Venue: Jomtien Beach, Pattaya, Chonburi

Dates: 18 and 20 December 2025

Time: 08:00 - 09:25 hours

#### 4.2 Competition Schedules

Day 1 : 18 December 2025				
10:00	Competition (Men 10 KM)			
10:10	Competition (Women 10 KM)			
Day 2 : 20 December 2025				
10:00	Competition (Mixed Relays)			

#### 5. Entries

#### **5.1 Eligibility**

- 5.1.1 Only SEAGF member NOCs are entitled to participate in the Open Water Swimming competition of the 33rd SEA Games Thailand 2025.
- 5.1.2 Only athletes who comply with the World Aquatics Competition Rules and SEAGF constitution and rules and its by-laws are entitled to participate in the Open Water Swimming competition.
- 5.1.3 For eligibility matters, in the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the South East Asian Games Federation (SEAGF) Charter, THASOC, Asia Aquatics (AA), South East Asia Aquatics and World Aquatics, the latter shall prevail.
- 5.1.4 Only nationals of the country of the National Olympic Committee (NOC) shall be qualified to represent the NOC in the Games. All disputes relating to the determination of the country, which an athlete may represent in the SEA Games shall be resolved in accordance with the South East Asian Games Federation (SEAGF) Charter and Rules as well as Rule 41 and By-Law to Rule 41 of the Olympic Charter (Nationality of competitors).

# **5.2 Entry Policies**

- 5.2.1 For Individual event, Each NOC may enter a maximum of two (2) athletes without reserves.
- 5.2.2 For team events, there shall be one (1) team per NOC, and the number of reserves shall not exceed the number of players allowed by the International Federation
- 5.2.3 All entries must be accompanied by a copy of International Passport. All documents must be certified by President/Secretary General of NOC. Entries not supported by the documents will be automatically rejected.







#### 5.3 Submission of Entries

- Entry Form by Sport: Deadline 8 May 2025 at 24.00 (Bangkok time)

- Entry Form by Number: Deadline 31 May 2025 at 24.00 (Bangkok time)

- Entry Form by Name: Deadline 1 September 2025 at 24.00 (Bangkok time)

All Entry Form by Sport, Entry Form by Number and Entry by Name is sent via email and subsequently confirmed with original NOC Stamp to the following address:

THASOC Sports Technical Department: sport.thasoc@gmail.com

# The 33rd SEA Games Thailand 2025 Organizing Committee

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# 6. Pre-Competition: Team Leaders and Officials Meetings

#### 6.1 Team Leaders Meeting

Date: 17 December 2025

Time: 13:00

Venue: Official Hotel

**6.2 Technical Official's Meeting**Date: 17 December 2025

Time: 14.30

Venue: Jomtien Beach, Pattaya, Chonburi

#### 6.3 Course Inspection and Pre-Race Briefing

Date: 17 December 2025

Time: 16:00

Venue: Jomtien Beach, Pattaya, Chonburi

#### 7. General Rules and Regulations

#### **7.1 Rules**

# 7.1.1 Eligibility Code (SEAGF 30)

To be eligible for participation in the SEA Games, a competitor must comply with the Federation's rules, regulations and by-laws, including this Charter and Rules, in particular in relation to eligibility and nationality, as well as the related provisions in the Olympic Charter, and the rules, regulations and by-laws for participation in the Olympic Games."

#### 7.1.2 Nationality of Competitor (SEAGF 31)

Only nationals of the country of the NOC who are holding current valid national passports of the country of that Member-NOC shall be qualified and





eligible to represent the Member-NOC in the SEA Games. All disputes relating to the determination of the country which a competitor may represent in the SEA Games shall be decided by the Arbitration Panel established under this Charter and Rules, in accordance with the Federation's rules, regulations and by-laws, including this Charter and Rules, relating to eligibility and nationality."

#### **7.1.3** Number of Entries (SEAGF 34.3, 37)

- a) A minimum of four (4) NOCs must register to participate by the respective closing date of both the Entry by Number and the Entry by Name registration in a sport or discipline or team event and in the case of an individual event, a minimum of three (3) NOCs must register to participate by the closing date of both the Entry by Number and Entry by Name registration, for it to be included in the SEA Games programme. For the avoidance of doubt:
  - A doubles event shall be considered an individual event.
  - There shall be no waiver of this Rule on minimum entry."
- b) The maximum number of entries from each nation in each event is fixed by the Federation in consultation with the Host NOC. However, the following numbers cannot be exceeded:
  - For individual events, including singles and doubles events, there shall only be two (2) entries from each NOC (without reserves) EXCEPT for the sports with weight category, such as all martial arts and combat sports, Body-building, Weightlifting, etc., where there shall only be one (1) entry per weight category or per event from each NOC; and for the sport of Sailing, where there shall only be one (1) entry per event from each NOC.
  - For team events, there shall be one (1) team per NOC, and the number of reserves shall not exceed the number of players allowed by the International Federation.
  - For all events where individual competitions are conducted, the competitors for any one (1) NOC cannot win more than two (2) medals in the respective individual events.
  - No Federation Member-NOC, including the Host NOC or the Organizing Committee of any SEA Games, is allowed to limit the participation of any other Federation Member-NOC or any athlete from participating in any sport, discipline or event solely on the ground or for any reason of limitation of participation."

#### 7.1.4 International Sport Federation

World Aquatics (AQUA)

# 7.1.5 Asia Continental Sport Federation







Asia Aquatics (AA)

#### 7.1.6 South East Asia Sport Federation

South East Asia Aquatics (SEAA)

# 7.1.7 Technical Officials and Jury of Appeal (SEAGF 41)

- The necessary technical officials, referees, judges, umpires, timekeepers, inspectors and other technical officials (collectively "International Technical Officials" or ITOs") and a Jury of Appeal for each sport in such number as shall be determined by the Host NOC or the Organizing Committee, shall be appointed by the Host NOC or Organizing Committee in consultation with the appropriate IF/AF and in cooperation with the respective National Federation of the Host NOC or local sport official/representative. All such ITOs and Jury of Appeal officials approved and appointed by the Host NOC or Organizing Committee shall be referred collectively as "IF/AF International Technical Officials" or IF/AF ITOs" and "Jury of Appeal" accordingly.
- b) The Organizing Committee shall pay for the air or international travel (based on best economy fare to the host city), accommodation (equivalent to a hotel of at least a 3-star internationally accepted rating, based on twinshare basis except for single rooms for Technical Delegates, Chief Umpires and Chief Scorer), meals, official local transport expenses and a per diem only of the IF/AF ITOs and Jury of Appeal officials at the established rates of the Organizing Committee starting from within than two (2) days before the start of the first event of the sport or discipline concerned until one (1) day after the end of the competition of the last event of that sport or discipline.
- c) In approving and appointments of ITOs and Jury of Appeal members, all IF and or AF concerned must give priority, first to the appointment of qualified ITOs and Jury of Appeal members who reside within the South East Asian (SEA) region, and second, to those who reside within the Asian continent, before appointing any ITOs or Jury of Appeal members from outside the SEA region or Asia continent.
- d) No official who has participated in a decision may serve in the Jury of Appeal that reviews it. The findings of the Jury of Appeal shall be communicated as soon as possible to the Federation Office, Host NOC, Organizing Committee and Executive Committee.
- e) Technical officials and members of the Jury of Appeal may not live in the Games Villages, but the Organizing Committee shall ensure and bear the cost of their accommodation, including board and local transport facilities at such established rates of the Organizing Committee.
- f) The Jury of Appeal's decision(s) on all technical questions concerning its





- respective sport or of disciplinary nature is/are final. Such decision shall, however, be without prejudice to any further penalty and or sanction, which may be imposed by the Executive Committee.
- g) The Jury of Appeal shall be composed of a Chairperson (who shall be the Technical Delegate) and not more than two (2) other representatives as Jury of Appeal members, who shall be appointed by the IF/AF from amongst the IF/AF ITOS and or IF/AF representative(s) present at the Games.
- h) In the event of a dispute or protest relating to technical questions concerning its respective sport, discipline and or event, or competition or any matter that is disciplinary in nature, that is referred to a relevant Jury of Appeal, representatives of countries in the Jury of Appeal whose countries are involved in the dispute or protest must NOT participate in the deliberations and or decision making and cannot vote in the resolution of the dispute or protest.
- i) Any NOC dissatisfied with any decision of any Jury of Appeal (except decisions concerning matters of fact and judgment calls where no appeal is allowed) may refer his/her appeal to the Panel of Arbitrators

#### 7.1.8 Arbitration Panel (SEAGF 42)

The Arbitration Panel shall deliberate and decide finally on all questions concerning the SEA Games or s, protests or appeals (including on any violation of anti-doping code, rules or regulations) from any sport, discipline or event or any disputes arising from or related to the SEA Games. NOCs or the Organizing Committee may also submit question or any matter related to the SEA Games to the Arbitration Panel for determination. Further, the Arbitration Panel may intervene in and determine all questions of non-technical nature outside the jurisdiction of the Jury of Appeal set up for each sport, discipline or event in the Games programme.

# 7.1.9 Penalty in case of Fraud (SEAGF 44)

A competitor proved to have fraudulently transgressed or breached any provisions of the Charter, Rules, Regulations or By-laws of the Federation shall be disqualified and lose any position or medal he/she may have gained. If this competitor's NOC is proved to have been a party to the fraud, his/her country shall be disqualified in the sport concerned.

#### 8. Competition Procedures, Rules and Regulations

The Open Water Swimming Championship of the 33<sup>rd</sup> SEA Games Thailand 2025 will be held in accordance with the latest updated version of World Aquatics (AQUA) Competition Regulations under the guidance of the Technical Delegate (TD) appointed by Thailand Aquatics Association (TAA) in consultation with the South East Asian Aquatics (SEAA).





In case of any disagreement in the language interpretation of the World Aquatics Rules and Regulations, the English version shall prevail. Any unforeseen cases not covered by the Rules and Regulations shall be resolved as follows:

- General Issues: To be resolved in accordance with the SEAGF Charter and Rules
- **Technical Issues:** To be resolved in accordance with the World Aquatics Competition Regulations.

#### 8.1 Competition Procedures

#### 8.1.1 Entry List, Start List and Correction Form.

Team Leader must collect provided copy of the "Start List by NOC" for review at the Team Leaders Meeting on 17 December 2025 at 1 pm.

Team Leaders must check all entry data, including entry times and the spelling of athletes' names and submit a "Correction Form" with any amendments before the end of the Team Leaders Meeting on 17 December 2025.

#### 8.1.2 Withdrawals

Any withdrawals must be submitted to the THASOC Open Water Swimming Competition Secretariat by the end of the Team Leaders Meeting. The reason of withdrawal must be explained and clarified.

#### 8.1.3 Feeder Card.

NOCs must complete the "Feeder Form" that nominates a team official to access the feeding pontoon for both the men's and women's competition. A separate form must be completed for each race. Forms must be submitted to the THASOC by the end of the Team Leaders Meeting on 17 December 2025.

#### **8.2** Competition Rules

- **8.2.1** The open water swimming competition will be held in accordance with World Aquatics Competition Regulations.
- **8.2.3** All athletes are mandatory to wear a swim cap in accordance with World Aquatics Competition Regulations. The cap displays on each side the "national three-letter code" and may display the swimmer's national flag or the swimmer's name. The country code shall be a minimum of 8cm in height. Caps meeting the specifications of 1.8.5 are not acceptable except for one (1) manufacturer's logo of a maximum size of 20cm<sup>2</sup> on the front

Athlete's name of a maximum size of 20cm2: The competitor's name shall be printed under the country name (three letter code). Displaying the competitor's name is not compulsory.

THASOC may provide a plain white cap if there is a problem with any caps athletes come with.

**8.2.3** Time limit for individual event 10 KM event, will be 30 minutes after the 1st





swimmer reach the finish

# **8.3** Competition Format

- **8.3.1** The result of Open Water Swimming events will be held as straight Finals and in accordance with World Aquatic Rules.
- **8.3.2** In accordance to **SEAGF 34.3, 37,** For all events where individual competitions are conducted, the competitors for any one (1) NOC cannot win more than two (2) medals in the respective individual events.

# 8.4 Protests and Appeals

- 8.4.1 Any written protest on the OWS SEA Games Protest Form, must be made and submitted by the Chef de Mission or Team Leader to the Technical Delegate within thirty (30) minutes after the end of the event in which the protest is generated with the payment of a Protest Fee of USD200.00 per protest payable to THASOC. If conditions causing a potential protest are noted prior to the start of the event, a written protest must be lodged before the signal to start the event is given.
- 8.4.2 Protests/appeals are possible if:
  - a) The rules and regulations for the conduct of the competition are not observed.
  - b) There are conditions that endanger the competition and/or athletes, or
  - c) It is against a decision of a Judge.
  - However, no protests/appeals shall be allowed against decision of facts.
- 8.4.3 All protests must be considered by the Jury of Appeal who must make a decision as soon as possible. The reason(s) must be stated or clarified for upholding/rejecting the protest.
- 8.4.5 Any NOC dissatisfied with any decision by the Jury of Appeal may make any appeal in accordance with Articles 42 and 43 of the SEAGF Charter and Rules.
- 8.4.6 The protest fee shall be refunded if the protest is upheld; it will be forfeited if the protest is rejected.

# 8.5 Technical Officials and Jury of Appeal

The appointments of Technical Officials and Jury of Appeal members will be in accordance with Article 41 of the SEAGF Charter and Rules, and AQUA Competition Regulation

#### 8.5.1 International Technical Officials (ITOs)

Each NOC can recommend a maximum of two (2) ITOs to be appointed for the competition, subject to approval by the SEAA.

# 8.5.2 National Technical Officials (NTOs)

Thailand Aquatics Association (TAA) will appoint such number of National Technical Officials (NTOs) to assist the International Technical Officials.







# 8.5.3 Jury of Appeal

The Jury of Appeal shall comprise of three members from bureau members of SEAA and/or SEAA TOWSC. The Technical Delegate will act as its chairman. The decision of the Jury of Appeal shall be final.

#### 8.6 Delays, Postponements, Cancellations

The Technical Delegate must consult the THASOC Secretariate if there is any delay, postponement or cancellation of any competition that affects the scheduled times for "live broadcast" or victory ceremonies.

# 9. Official Equipment and Competition Attire

# 9.1 Sports Equipment

All sports equipment used by athletes in competition must comply with the SEAGF Charter and Rules and AQUA Competition Regulations.

#### 9.2 Competition Attire

All clothing, swimwear, swim caps worn by athletes in competition must comply with the SEAGF Charter and Rules and latest AQUA Competition Regulation 2024, Part Three, clausal 7 on Swimwear and Technology. Clausal 8.6 on Open Water Swimming Caps

#### 10. Media Interview

- 10.1 All athletes should pass through the Mixed Zone as directed by the Media Officer.
- 10.2 Athletes and/or coaches should attend press conference and interview requests for them.

#### 11. Prizes and Commendations

- Medals to the winners of the SEAGF Games shall be presented by the SEAGF President. The President may delegate this privilege to other members of the SEAGF, accompanied by the President of the IF and/or AF concerned (or their deputy), if possible, immediately after the event and where the competition took place in the following manner.
- The competitors who have been judged first, second and third shall take their places, in their sports uniforms, on a stand on the field facing the Tribune of Honour, with the winner slightly above the second who is on their right and the third who is on their left. The flag of the delegates of the winner shall be hoisted on the central flag-pole and those of the second and third on adjoining flagpoles on the right and on the left, as they face the arena. Meanwhile, the abbreviated National Anthem of the winner is played. The three winners/winning teams shall turn towards the flags.
- The medal presentations shall be as per the following order:
  - Gold Medal to the first-place winner.
  - Silver Medal to the second-place winner.







- Bronze Medal to the third-place winner.
- Diplomas will be presented to the first top eight swimmers in all individual events.
- All medalists and diploma list must wear their respective NOC official uniform.
- No equipment or accessories may be taken by the athlete to the medal award ceremony or media interview areas, unless it is worn, e.g., shoes and clothing which must be in accordance with the SEAGF commercial guidelines.
- No kind of demonstration or commercial, political, religious or racial propaganda is permitted during the Victory Ceremony of the Games. Any action of such kind will be subject to penalization by the Executive Board EB including disqualification, withdrawal of medals, certificates, accreditation, rankings and the like.
- Any disrespect shown to the Games, Medals, Flags, Mascot or Certificates or any other material. by any athlete during the Victory Ceremony or during the Games will be subject to penalization by the EB, including but not limited to disqualification, withdrawal of medals, certificates, accreditation, rankings as decided by the EB.
- Victory, medals and diploma certificates, shall be in strict compliance with the SEAGF Protocol Guidelines. The design and format of the medals and diplomas shall be submitted to the SEAGF for its approval.

# 12. Victory Ceremonies

The medals may be presented by the board members of the Member-NOCs participating in the particular sport, discipline or event (with priority being given to those with medal winners) and or Guests of Honor of the Federation, and such victory ceremonies, if possible, shall take place immediately after the event at a place where the competition took place and in the following manner:

- The competitors who have been judged first, second and third shall take their places, in their sport attire or NOC designated attire, on a stand facing the Tribune of Honor, with the winner slightly above the second who is on his/her right, and the third who is on his/her left.
- The flag of the country of the winner shall be hoisted on the central flagpole or screen and those of the second and third on adjoining flagpoles or screen on the right and left as they face the arena. Meanwhile, the National Anthem of the country of the winner is played and the competitors and spectators shall face the flags.

# 13. Medical Code (SEAGF 33)

- The Host NOC and Organizing Committee of the SEA Games will ensure the health of all athletes and other participants during the SEA Games.
- Anti-Doping Rule Violations as defined by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Code is forbidden.
- All competitors shall be subject, during the Games, to doping control initiated by the Federation at any time or place, carried out in conformity with the WADA Code and





its respective International Standards, as elaborated in the SEA Games Anti-Doping Rules.

- Competitors in sports restricted to women must comply with the prescribed tests for disorders of sexual determination when so needed.
- Any competitor refusing to submit to doping control or who is found guilty of any Anti-Doping Rule violation shall be excluded from the SEA Games.
- The principles of exclusion for teams and individuals shall be in accordance with the WADA Code.
- A medal may be withdrawn by order of the Executive Committee or the Council on the recommendation of the Chairperson of the Anti-Doping Committee when an athlete is found guilty of a violation under the SEA Games Anti-Doping Rules and or the WADA Code.
- The Anti-Doping Committee shall manage and implement the doping test programme for the SEA Games to which it was appointed for in accordance with WADA requirements, and implement the SEA Games Anti-Doping Rules and WADA Code.
- The SEA Games Anti-Doping Rules and Regulations shall in no way affect further and or other sanctions by the relevant International Federation, WADA and or any other relevant national, regional, continental, international or world organizations or bodies.
- All competitors and officials are also subject to, and shall comply with the respective anti-gaming and manipulation, and harassment and abuse, and safeguarding rules, regulations, codes and guidelines of the respective Federation Member-NOC, IOC, OCA, SEAGF, the respective IF and or AF of the sport concerned.
  - a) Any competitor or team official refusing to submit thereto or found guilty of any violation or offence thereunder shall be excluded from the SEA GAMES.
  - b) A medal may be withdrawn by order of the Executive Committee or the Council on the recommendation of the Arbitration Panel when an athlete is found guilty of any violation or offence thereunder."

#### 14. Doping Control

The 33<sup>rd</sup> SEA Games Thailand 2025 Organizing Committee, shall establish the SEAGF Anti-Doping Committee, which shall, under the guidance of the SEAGF and working with the SEAGF Office, be responsible for the Anti-Doping program for the 33<sup>rd</sup> SEA Games Thailand 2025. The Anti-Doping program will be run in accordance with the SEAGF Anti-Doping Rules and the WADA International Standard for Testing and Investigation. Sample analysis will be performed at a WADA-accredited laboratory or as otherwise approved by WADA. Both urine and blood tests will be conducted before and during the competition to ensure compliance.

Athletes requiring the use of a Prohibited Substance or Prohibited Method during the event must apply for a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) through the SEAGF Anti-Doping Committee by the specified deadline (TBC). If an athlete has already been granted a TUE





by their National Anti-Doping Organization or International Federation, the SEAGF Anti-Doping Committee will recognize it.

According to the World Aquatics directions and will follow the procedures specified by World Anti Doping Agency (WADA). Maximum number of samples will be 10 athletes (5 Men athletes and 5 Women athletes).

# 15. Approval of the Technical Handbook

This Technical Handbook was approved by the South East Asian Aquatics (SEAA) on 27 July 2025

Any further amendments to the Technical Handbook shall be circulated via e-mail to the NOCs.

