Official Competition Rules 2027

Festivalul Natației – Trofeul YES Swimming | 2027

CHAPTER 1 – Organiser and nature of the event

1.1. The Festivalul Natației – YES Swimming Trophy 2027 is organised by Asociația Club Sportiv YES Swimming, Romanian tax ID 53174059, registered address Str. Măriuca 45C, Sector 4, Bucharest.

1.2. This is a private educational and sporting event, not an official FRNPM competition. These rules apply to all four 2027 editions.

1.3. Athletes, their representatives and clubs must comply with these rules and the official documents expressly referenced herein.

CHAPTER 2 – Calendar and eligibility

2.1. Edition VII: 30 May 2027, athletes born 2008–2014; VIII: 13 June 2027, 2015–2020; IX: 12 September 2027, 2008–2014; X: 19 September 2027, 2015–2020. Venue: Lia Manoliu National Sports Complex, Bucharest.

2.2. Events, sessions, relay categories and allocated competition durations are detailed in the separate "Official Calendar 2027". Exact entry, warm-up and start times will be published once the timetable is finalised.

2.3. Each athlete may enter up to four individual events and one relay per edition, subject to birth-year eligibility.

CHAPTER 3 – Categories and rankings

3.1. A – Amateur: not registered with FRNPM on the event date; SP – FRNPM-registered athlete on the event date. Status must be declared accurately at registration and may be checked.

3.2. A and SP athletes may swim in combined heats, but individual rankings and podiums are separate by event, birth year, gender and A/SP status.

3.3. A and SP relays have separate rankings and podiums by age category and gender. An A relay contains amateurs only; an SP relay contains at least one FRNPM-registered swimmer.

CHAPTER 4 – Registration, reservation and participation

4.1. Registration is submitted online by a parent/legal guardian or by an adult athlete. Submitting a form does not automatically reserve a place.

4.2. A place is reserved only after the organiser has checked the application and payment and confirmed it by email. A reservation is distinct from medical clearance to participate.

4.3. Participation requires validation of the appropriate sports-medical certificate under “Medical Requirements”. Detailed procedures are provided in the “Registration and Participation Guide”.

CHAPTER 5 – Fees, withdrawals and cancellations

5.1. The participation fee is RON 250 per athlete during Pre-sale and RON 400 during Standard registration. Registration windows appear on each edition page and in the official guide. Payment is by bank transfer only.

5.2. A withdrawal received by 23:59 Romanian local time on the day 14 calendar days before the edition qualifies for a full refund. After that deadline, the published Terms and Conditions apply, including documented medical exceptions and applicable statutory rights.

5.3. If the organiser cancels an edition, the participation fee paid for that edition is refunded in full.

CHAPTER 6 – Technical rules and time penalties

6.1. The competition uses educational time penalties and does not automatically disqualify athletes for every technical error.

6.2. Starting before the official starting signal may result in a 3-second penalty.

6.3. Incorrect execution of a swimming stroke incurs a 3-second penalty for each recorded infringement.

6.4. Technical relay infringements incur 3 seconds per infringement, including an outgoing swimmer leaving before the incoming swimmer touches the wall. The same infringement must not be penalised twice.

6.5. Regardless of the number or nature of infringements, the total technical penalty is capped at 10 seconds per individual event or relay.

6.6. Penalties are recorded by officials and validated by the chief referee. Official time is the recorded time plus validated penalties. Athletes who do not finish receive no official finishing time.

CHAPTER 7 – Relay rules

7.1. Relays are 4×50 m freestyle with four swimmers, held separately for girls and boys; mixed-gender relays are not permitted.

7.2. A relay may include athletes from one club or a maximum of two clubs. Clubs may enter multiple relays in a category, subject to organisational limits.

7.3. A/SP relay classification depends on the swimmers, not the club. Interclub relay club-bonus points are divided in proportion to the number of swimmers from each club.

CHAPTER 8 – Points, trophies and tie-breakers

8.1. Individual events: 1st 20 pts; 2nd 13; 3rd 10; 4th 6; 5th 4; 6th and below 2.

8.2. Each relay swimmer: 1st 20 pts; 2nd 13; 3rd 10; 4th 6; 5th and below 4. Relay club bonus: 1st 150 pts; 2nd 100; 3rd 50; other places 0.

8.3. There is one annual club ranking, combining A and SP points across all four editions. Club ties are broken by the number of first places, then second places, then third places.

8.4. Best Female Swimmer and Best Male Swimmer are awarded for each session based on accumulated individual and relay points in a combined A/SP ranking. All swimmers tied for the highest score receive trophies.

8.5. Equal official times within a category result in equal placing and points; subsequent places account for all athletes ranked ahead. Full rules appear in “Points and Rankings System 2027”.

CHAPTER 9 – Officiating, protests and awards

9.1. Officiating is performed by FRNPM-accredited officials; the chief referee validates penalties and rules on protests.

9.2. Protests about results or penalties must be submitted in writing within 15 minutes of official result publication by a coach/club representative, parent/legal guardian or adult athlete.

9.3. All participating athletes receive a participation medal. Individual and relay podiums are awarded separately in their applicable categories; the top three clubs in the annual ranking receive awards.

CHAPTER 10 – Safety, conduct and medical documents

10.1. Poolside access is limited to athletes, accredited coaches, officials and authorised staff. Spectators must use designated areas.

10.2. Participants must follow medical, officiating and organiser instructions. Aggressive or unsafe conduct is prohibited.

10.3. Amateurs must provide sports-medicine clearance from an authorised provider confirming fitness for swimming competition; registered athletes must provide a favourable sports-medical clearance. Upload, verification and data protection are detailed in “Medical Requirements” and the “Privacy Policy”.

CHAPTER 11 – Personal data and final provisions

11.1. Personal data are processed under the Privacy Policy. Consent to promotional use of photographs and video is optional; refusing it does not prevent participation.

11.2. The organiser may adjust the schedule for objective reasons and will notify participants. Unforeseen matters are assessed with due regard to safety, fairness and the educational nature of the event.

11.3. By registering, applicants accept the Official Competition Rules and the Terms and Conditions. The “Official Calendar 2027”, “Points and Rankings System 2027”, “Registration and Participation

Guide” and “Medical Requirements” supplement these rules in the versions published for the relevant edition.

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