

Hamburg BG Triathlon World Championships 2007



ANNOUNCEMENT

ITU Age Group World Championships
ITU AWAD World Championships



Dear athletes, dear association representatives

On behalf of the City of Hamburg, the International Triathlon Union and the German Triathlon Union we extend to you a warm invitation to the 2007 Hamburg BG Triathlon World Championships in Germany.

We are looking forward to the opportunity of celebrating an exciting and unforgettable triathlon festival with you.

We warmed up for the event with the 5th Hamburg City Man – BG Triathlon World Cup 2006, reaching new records with a total of 6,600 registered age group competitors, 1,500 kids, 160 elite athletes and 310,000 spectators lining the course. The sporting city of Hamburg is ready and, just over a year after the FIFA World Cup, is excited about welcoming athletes and guests from all over the world.

We will stage three days of competition, transforming the city centre into a unique triathlon arena. The highlights of the event will be the swimming exit and the finish in front of Hamburg's historic City Hall.

This invitation contains all important information relating to registration and participation. Further details and news are available on an ongoing basis on our official homepage www.hamburgcityman.com or sent out via the ITU E-News.

We are looking forward to your participation in the event and to exciting competition with a high degree of sportsmanship.

Your Hamburg Triathlon Team

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Dr. Klaus Müller-Ott
Deutsche Triathlon Union
President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Frank Bertling'.

Frank Bertling
Upsolut Event GmbH
Managing Director

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Corinna Schmidt
Upsolut Event GmbH
Event Director

PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE

(Status 21 December 06, alterations reserved)

Tuesday 28 August to Saturday Sept 1		Accreditation of competitors in the city centre
Wednesday 29 August	morning	Pupils' triathlon in the Stadtpark
Thursday 30 August	10.00	Team Managers Briefing (Age Group Sprint Distance)
	11.00	Team Managers Briefing (Age Group Olympic Distance)
	12.00	Team Managers & Athletes Briefing (AWAD)
	14.00	Opening EXPO
	15.30	Junior Athletes Briefing
	16.30	U23 Athletes Briefing
	17.30	Elite Athletes Briefing
	19.30	Official opening ceremony for all World Championship competitors
Friday 31 August	09.00	ITU Junior Women World Championships
	11.00	ITU Junior Men World Championships
	13.00	ITU U23 Women World Championships
	16.00	ITI U23 Men World Championships
	09.00 – 11.00	Age Group Sprint: Briefing presentation on a continuous loop
	11.00 – 15.00	Age Group Olympic: Briefing presentation on a continuous loop
Saturday 1 September	07.30 – 14.30	open triathlon sprint distance/ Olympic distance
	14.50	ITU Elite Women World Championships
	18.00 – 20.00	Pasta-Party Age Group / AWAD
Sunday 2 September	7.15 – 14.30	ITU AWAD World Championships / Olympic Distance
		ITU Age Group World Championships Sprint Distance & Olympic Distance
	15.00	ITU Elite Men World Championships
	from 19.00	Official closing ceremony and awards ceremony Age Group/AWAD

ENTRY FEE / START PACKAGE

The entry fee for participation in the ITU Triathlon World Championships 2007 is **Euro 160 including tax** per athlete.

This price includes the following services:

- Entry fee
- World Championships T-shirt
- Starting documentation (starter bag, transponder, start number, helmet and cycle sticker, swim cap, start handbook)
- Entrance ticket and food and drink voucher for the official closing ceremony/awards ceremony
- Pasta party
- Bike service
- Refreshments before, during and after the race
- Athletes' village with changing, shower and massage area
- Finisher medal
- Emergency medical care

COURSE AND START GROUPS

We offer two distances within the ITU Age Group World Championships:

Sprint distance: 750 m swim / 22 km bike / 5 km run

Olympic distance: 1.5 km swim / 40 km bike / 10 km run

A route map is published online.

Please note: Athletes are not allowed to register for both distance!

The distance within the ITU AWAD World Championships is:

Olympic distance: 1.5 km swim / 40 km bike / 10 km run

Starting time: Sunday 2 September 2007, from about 07.15

End of competition: Sunday 2 September 2007, about 14.30

Division into starting groups of 150 starters takes place on the basis of age group and gender. Starts from the water take place at intervals of 10 minutes.

Wherever possible, competitors within the same age group will start together in one starting group or in several consecutive starting groups.

The division of starting groups and precise check-in times will be announced in advance.

REGULATIONS

ITU Age Group World Championships:

Male and female world champions will be determined in the following age groups:

16 - 19 years (for Sprint Distance Age Group)
18 - 19 years (for Olympic Distance Age Group)
20 - 24 years
25 - 29 years
30 - 34 years
35 - 39 years
40 - 44 years
45 - 49 years
50 - 54 years
55 - 59 years
60 - 64 years
65 - 69 years
70 - 74 years
75 - 79 years
80 - 85 years
+ so on upwards

Your age as of December 31 in the year of the competition determines your category (not your age on race day).

ITU AWAD World Championships:

Men and Women world champions will be determined in the following categories:

- **Handcycle:** Paraplegic, Quadriplegic, Polio, Double amputee. Handcycle on bicycle course, racing wheelchair on run.
- **Below Knee Amputee:** Single below knee. Rides bicycle, runs with prosthesis or crutches.
- **Above Knee Amputee:** Single above knee. Rides bicycle, runs with prosthesis or crutches.
- **Below Elbow Amputee:** Single below elbow. Prosthesis allowed on bicycle.
- **Above Elbow Amputee:** Single above elbow. Prosthesis allowed on bicycle.
- **Blind:** Legally blind 20/200 with best corrected vision requiring a handler of the same sex throughout the race. Tandem bicycle and tethered during swim and run. (See '*Blind Category Conduct*' below)
- **Les Autres:** Including (*but not limited to*): Multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, cerebral palsy, Spina bifida, upper extremity paralysis, etc.
- **Wheelchair:** Double below knee, Double below knee/above knee or double above knee. Rides bicycle, racing wheelchair on run.
- **Double Amputee:** Double below knee, double below knee/above knee or double above knee. Rides bicycle, prosthesis on run.

Starts will take place on the morning of 2 September 2007 as part of the ITU Age Group World Championships. Exact starting times will be published in good time.

STARTING PLACE LIMIT

Pursuant to ITU resolution, the number of starting places for the ITU Age Group World Championships 2007 is limited to:

Germany: 25 starting places per age group / gender / distance
Other nations: 20 starting places per age group / gender / distance / nation

The maximum total capacity of starting places available in Hamburg is estimated:

Olympic Distance: 2.600
Sprint Distance: 1.000

COMPETITION RULES

The ITU Triathlon World Championships will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the ITU:
ITU Competition Rules, ITU Doping Rules, ITU Uniform Guidelines, Event Organisers Manual.
These are available for download at www.competition.org (under the menu "About ITU").

RACE BRIEFINGS

Race briefings will be conducted as per schedule and must be attended by **ALL** team managers. All important and current information, regulations and stipulations in respect of the competition process and any alterations to the schedule will be announced at the briefings. Team Managers must attend the briefing in order to receive their Team Manager Accreditation briefing **ONLY**.

Please note: On Friday the briefing for athletes will run continuously without voice. Athletes will have the opportunity to drop into those continuous briefing sessions.

MEDAL CEREMONIES

The official medal ceremonies for the ITU Age Group and AWAD World Championships will take place on Sunday 2 September as part of the closing ceremony. Those finishing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the Age Groups per Distance and AWAD categories are required to receive their medals in person.

REGISTRATION

Deadline for registrations

The deadline for registrations is 2 August 2007.

Online registration

Registration of all competitors per national federation takes place via the online registration system. All federations affiliated to the ITU nominate a representative to register all competitors from his or her national federation for the ITU Age Group and AWAD World Championships in a timely manner and using the registration system.

Individual registration by single competitors is not possible.

Procedure

The representative nominated by the respective national federation begins by registering himself or herself online.

Please enter your data by 1 March 2007 at the latest at <https://ssl.anmelden24.de/wm2007int/register.php>

By 1 March 2007, we would like to request every federation to inform us via online entry of the total number of athletes provisionally registered by the deadline for registrations. This information forms an important basis for organisational planning.

If the start limit is later reached and if you have not registered your expected number of athletes by 1 March 2007, we will not be in a position to guarantee that your federation can compete or that all your registered athletes can be admitted.

Once he or she has registered online, the representative will receive by e-mail his or her personal access data for the online registration system in which athletes are registered. For online registration, the following information is required from each athlete:

Surname

First name

E-mail address

Gender

Date of birth

Licence number

Distance

AWAD category

20 athletes may be registered for each age group per distance. An overview of competitors who have already registered can be accessed at all times.

Competitors may be deleted or new competitors added up until the deadline of 2 August 2007. Registrations in place on 2 August are final.

The respective federations are required to transfer the entry fee in respect of competitors registered to the bank account of the organiser via bank transfer.

After the deadline for registrations has closed, all registered athletes will receive confirmation of registration by e-mail. **Please have all athletes include their email addresses.**

Please consult the confirmation of registration for the necessary information in respect of starting documentation for the ITU Age Group und AWAD World Championships in Hamburg.

REGISTRATION AFTER THE DEADLINE

After the deadline for registrations has closed on 2 August, vacant starting places will be allocated wherever possible in accordance with the entry criteria. Information will be published in good time. The organiser cannot, however, bindingly guarantee this option.

INSURANCE POLICY

Each competitor must acquire personal liability and health insurance which offers the legally necessary guarantees to compete in the ITU Triathlon World Championships 2007 unless their national federation has a license system including such coverage.

PAYMENT

After the deadline for registrations has closed, each federation will receive by e-mail an invoice providing details of the deadline for payment and bank details.
Starting documentation cannot be issued to individual competitors until complete payment of the total entry fees has been effected by the respective federation.

ATHLETE'S WAIVER

At accreditation, each athlete is required to sign a form ("Official Athlete's Waiver") accepting the General Terms and Conditions for participation in the ITU Age Group und AWAD World Championships. The General Terms and Conditions are shown below. The waiver will be available at the athlete accreditation booth.

Please note: Junior athlete waivers must be signed by a parent or coach.

ACCREDITATION AND START DOCUMENTATION

We will announce in advance the opening times for accreditation to take place from 28 August to 1 September 2007 in Hamburg city centre. Upon presentation of confirmation of registration, identity card/passport and licence each competitor will personally receive his or her start documentation. Collection of all start documentation at the same time, such as by team managers, is not possible.

Please remember to advise all athletes that they will need proof of age and citizenship to get accredited.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ACCOMMODATION

All offers are available on our homepage www.hamburgcityman.com from January.

WEATHER

Average temperature in August: day 22° Celsius, night 12° Celsius

Average water temperature: 19° Celsius

Please bear in mind that the weather in Hamburg can be very variable at the end of August, ranging from high summer temperatures of up to 30° Celsius to rainy and cool with temperatures significantly less than 20° Celsius.

TRAINING FACILITIES

On Tuesday 28 August, all competitors will have access free of charge to an open-air swimming pool with swimming lanes. Teams will be requested to book swimming times in advance. Information will follow.

The same location also provides good opportunities for athletics training. We recommend the most popular route in Hamburg, which goes round the Alster and will also form part of the competition route.

There are signs for a cycling training path leading into the countryside surrounding Hamburg. It is not, unfortunately, possible to cordon off the cycling competition route in advance for training purposes. Cycling on the public highway is at the cyclist's own risk.

Open water swim in der Alster is possible on Friday and Saturday at the times stipulated. Exact swimming times will be announced in advance and in good time.

ONLINE SERVICE: results, competitor photos, certificates

All results will be published on the Internet shortly after the event.

You can order your personal competitor photos and your certificate and photo online from our photo partners. Detailed information is available on the Internet and when you carry out your accreditation.

CONTACT

If you have any enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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General Business Terms for the participation in the ITU Age Group and AWAD World Championships

1. PRE-REQUISITES

1.1 Any person can participate who is properly registered and accredited and is in possession of an official start number of ITU Age Group /AWAD World Championships 2007.

1.2 The respective national authorization pre-requisites of the national triathlon federations which belong to ITU are to be observed.

1.3 Authorized for the ITU Age Group /AWAD World Championships (Sprint Distance) are the years 1991 and older. Authorized for the ITU Age Group /AWAD World Championships (Olympic Distance) are the years 1989 and older. Participants under 18 years of age require a signed declaration of consent of a legal guardian. With his/her signature the legal guardian confirms that at the same time he accepts the General Business Terms for the minor on behalf of his/her spouse.

1.4 Each team manager must take part in the race briefing. Please observe in particular the references to the special risk areas in your race information, which you receive during accreditation or within the athlete's briefing presentation.

2. RESPONSIBILITIES

2.1 Each participant is obliged to personally assess his health pre-requisites for participating in the event, if applicable after consulting a doctor. He must ensure impeccable equipment according to the ITU competition rules.

2.2 It is essential to follow the instructions and stipulations of ITU and DTU as well as the instructions of the personnel and the assistants. In case of infringements which disturb the proper schedule of the event or can pose a danger to the safety of the participants, ITU and DTU is entitled to exclude the participants from the event.

2.3 The time measurement transponder is to be returned to one of the return locations after the race. **In case the transponder is not returned the organiser will charge a fee in the amount of € 46.-.** This shall be collected by direct debit procedure or invoiced after the event. Should it not be possible to return the transponder immediately after the event for an important reason, it can be returned by post to the address of Upsolut by 10 September 2007.

3. CONCLUSION OF THE CONTRACT

3.1 The registration which represents the binding offer of the participant to DTU is possible by sending the completed and legally binding signed registration form to the address of the organiser or via the ONLINE registration under www.hamburgcityman.com.

3.2 The contract shall be concluded if the participant has recognised through his signature or with the ONLINE registration by expressly clicking the General Business Terms and the competition rules of ITU, he has received the registration confirmation and the start money has been received by the organiser.

4. PAYMENT

4.1 Participants with a German bank account, which are authorized by DTU, pay by direct debit procedure, by cheque or by cash.

4.2 If the direct debit is not redeemed because the account does not have sufficient cover or due to a revocation of the participant (also at a later date) DTU is entitled to cancel the contract after setting a deadline and charge the participant the costs of the cancellation.

4.3 Other triathlon federations shall pay the total start money for their registered participants by bank transfer after receipt of the invoice or on site per credit card (VISA or MasterCard) or in cash.

5. ACCREDITATION

The participant only receives his start documents during the accreditation (in the inner city area) against submission of the registration confirmation, his personal ID card or passport and his valid certificate of his respective membership of a federation. The start documents must be picked up personally in the accreditation area.

6. CANCELLATION BY THE PARTICIPANT

6.1 The following applies to the participants of DTU: a free cancellation is possible up to two weeks after despatch of the official registration confirmation in the month of March 2007. The participant must send his declaration of cancellation in writing by post or email to the address of the organiser.

6.2 The following applies to other federations: a free cancellation is not possible for registered participants after the closing date for entries on 2 August 2007.

7. CANCELLATION OF THE EVENT/ NON-APPEARANCE

If the event is cancelled owing to force majeure the participant is not entitled to reimbursement of the start money nor for other damages, such as travelling expenses and hotel costs. Nor is there any entitlement for reimbursement in case of non-appearance.

8. LIABILITY

8.1 The participants take part at their own risk!

8.2 The liability of the organiser - also towards third parties - is limited to wilful intent and gross negligence. This also applies to the companies and helpers assigned by the organiser. The liability of the organiser for other damages than those from injury to life, body or the health is excluded insofar as they are not due to a wilful or grossly negligent breach of duty on the part of the organiser or his legal representatives or vicarious agents.

8.3 The organiser shall not be liable for items of equipment which are stolen in the transition zone nor for other stolen items of the participants; insofar as this is not due to a wilful or grossly negligent breach of duty on the part of the organiser or his legal representatives or vicarious agents. The

organiser provides security in the transition zone from time of check-in to time of check-out.

8.4 The participant declares that he agrees that his participation in the ITU Triathlon World Championships 2007 is associated with inherent risks, dangers and hazards including but not limited to those associated with running and riding bicycles, impact or collision with other participants or bystanders or objects, effects of weather including rain, heat or humidity, variations in the race route's surface, including loose gravel and exposed holes or cracks in the pavement. The participant knows that swimming in open waters is associated with risks and he can call information on the actual water quality or the swimming routes via the homepage www.hamburgcityman.com. The participant agrees that these risks, dangers and hazards referred to above exist throughout the race route and that many are unmarked. The participant freely accepts and fully assumes all such risks, dangers and hazards and the possibility of personal injury, death, property damage or loss resulting therefrom. The participant confirms that he has competed in triathlons before and acknowledges that participation in triathlon and the ITU Triathlon World Championships is an extreme test of person's physical and mental limits and carries the potential of death, serious personal injury and property loss. The participant declares that he is physically fit and has no pre-existing medical conditions and has sufficiently trained to participate in the ITU Triathlon World Championships and has not been advised against participation in the ITU Triathlon World Championships by a qualified health professional.

8.5 With the receipt of the start number the participant confirms binding that there are no health misgivings against his participation and he has been informed of all of the afore-mentioned risks.

9. DATA COLLECTION AND DATA USE

9.1 The personal data given by the participant with the registration are saved and only processed for executing and processing the event.

9.2 The participant gives his consent that the data mentioned in the registration are recorded and forwarded for entering the time, place and results and photos, film recordings and interviews made in connection with the event may be published without an entitlement for remuneration.

9.3 Further, the participant declares that he agrees with the forwarding of his personal data for the purpose of sending photos of the participants on the route and arriving at the finish which are produced by a company commissioned by the organiser. The participant is not obliged to purchase such a photo.

9.4 By stating an e-mail address the participant declares that he agrees that this may be used for sending information by ITU, DTU and Upsolut.

10. COMPETITION RULES

The competition rules of the International Triathlon Union apply for the event: ITU Competition Rules, ITU Doping Rules, ITU Uniform Guidelines and Event Organisers Manual.

With the registration the participant acknowledges these rules as binding.

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