



OFFICIAL SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

AIDA BAJAU 50 APNEA COMPETITION 2026

Versión 1.0

IMPORTANT: This competition shall be conducted under the supervision of AIDA-accredited Judges and Officials and shall be governed by the current AIDA World Apnea International Rules for Indoor Freediving Competitions, as well as by the technical, sporting and safety directives issued by the Head Judge and the rest of the official panel appointed for the event.

All athletes, Coaches and accredited assistants shall be familiar with and comply with the applicable AIDA World Apnea Rules, as well as any operational instructions communicated before or during the event. Lack of knowledge of the rules, official directives or operational protocols shall not constitute grounds for complaints or appeals.

This competition corresponds to the **AIDA Bajau 50 Apnea Competition 2026**, an international indoor freediving event organized by **Bajau Freediving**, together with **AIDA Uruguay** and the **Asociación Uruguaya de Apneistas** and held in the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires, Argentine Republic.

The official sporting language of the competition shall be English, applying to:

- Surface Protocols
- Official Top
- Start Lists
- Sporting Briefings
- Official Competition Announcements
- AIDA Technical Communications

Organizational documentation and general event information shall be available in both Spanish and English. In the event of any discrepancy between versions, the Spanish version shall prevail.

1. COMPETITION ORGANIZATION

The organization of the **AIDA Bajau 50 Apnea Competition 2026** shall be the responsibility of **Bajau Freediving**, part of **Bajau Diving School**, under the sporting supervision of **AIDA**-accredited authorities and officials.

The initial organizational structure shall consist of:

- **General Director:** Cristian Juarez.
- **Head Judge:** Eugenia Alcaraz.
- **Safety Manager:** Facundo Yáñez.
- **Sports Coordinator:** Silvia Maidana.
- **Accreditation Coordinator:** Diego Calvo.
- **Medical Director:** Dr. Marcelo Iuliano.
- **Volunteer Manager:** To be defined by the Organization.

The Disciplinary Committee shall consist of:

- Cristian Juarez.
- Eugenia Alcaraz.
- Facundo Yáñez.

Any situation not expressly covered by these regulations may be jointly evaluated by the Organizing Committee and the **AIDA** sporting authorities appointed for the event.

2. VENUE AND GENERAL INFORMATION

All activities related to the **AIDA Bajau 50 Apnea Competition 2026** shall take place at:

Parque Roca Olympic Swimming Pool
Av. Coronel Roca 4220

C1440 – Autonomous City of Buenos Aires
Argentine Republic

Technical characteristics of the venue:

- Olympic swimming pool measuring 50 meters in length.
- Width of 25 meters.
- Uniform depth of 2.04 meters.
- Estimated water temperature between 28 °C and 30 °C.
- Dedicated STA platforms.
- Starting platforms for dynamic disciplines.

The event shall include sporting and complementary activities between 05-Oct-2026 and 11-Oct-2026, including:

- Official Training Sessions
- Accreditations
- Courses
- Clinics
- Workshops
- Competition Days
- Extra Attempt Sessions
- Award Ceremony

Complementary activities may require independent registration and may be subject to specific contracting and cancellation policies.

3. PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS AND ELIGIBILITY

National and international athletes may participate provided they simultaneously comply with the requirements established by **AIDA** and by these regulations.

3.1. Minimum Age

Athletes must be at least eighteen (18) years old as of 09-Oct-2026, corresponding to the first official competition day of the event. Junior categories shall not be available.

The official competition categories shall be:

- Male
- Female

3.2. AIDA Requirements

Each athlete shall:

- Be registered as an athlete within a **National AIDA** Organization and hold a valid membership.
- Complete the corresponding registration through the official **AIDA International** platform.
- Comply with any additional requirements established by **AIDA** for international competitions.

No minimum freediving certification level or previous competition experience shall be required to participate.

3.3. Mandatory Documentation

All participants shall submit:

- Liability Waiver Form.
- Image Use Authorization Form.
- Medical Fitness Certificate / Medical Certificate signed by an authorized medical professional.

The medical certificate shall:

- Include athlete identification details.
- Explicitly state fitness for sports practice.
- Bear the physician's signature.

- Have a maximum age of eleven (11) months counted backwards from 11-Oct-2026.

The deadline for submission of documentation shall be: 14-Sept-2026 – 23:59 hs (GMT -3)

Failure to submit the required documentation shall prevent participation in the event.

3.4. Insurance

The Organization shall not require mandatory medical insurance for foreign athletes due to the existence of the corresponding Liability Waiver.

However, all international participants are strongly encouraged to obtain:

- International Medical Insurance.
- Sports Insurance Coverage.
- Travel Insurance.

4. REGISTRATION AND CAPACITY

Registration shall be completed through the official competition website (<https://bajaufreediving.com/competicion2026/>). The maximum athlete capacity shall be:

- 70 athletes

Competition slots shall be assigned strictly according to the registration order recorded through the **Bajau Freediving** platform.

The registration date within **AIDA International** shall not affect the priority order.

Once the maximum capacity has been reached:

- No waiting list shall be established.
- Informal reservations shall not be accepted.
- No automatic exceptions shall be granted.

4.1. Registration Stages

Early Bird Registration - 10-May-2026 through 10-Jul-2026

- General Registration: USD 130
- Special Registration Fees:
 - AIDA Uruguay Members: USD 110
 - Bajau 50 Apnea Competition 2025 Participants: USD 110

Regular Registration - 11-Jul-2026 through 10-Aug-2026

- General Registration: USD 160
- Special Registration Fees:
 - AIDA Uruguay Members: USD 130
 - Bajau 50 Apnea Competition 2025 Participants: USD 130

Late Registration - 11-Aug-2026 through 14-Sept-2026

- General Registration: USD 200
- Special Registration Fees:
 - AIDA Uruguay Members: USD 160
 - Bajau 50 Apnea Competition 2025 Participants: USD 160

Accepted payment methods:

- Bank Transfer (Argentine residents only)
- MercadoPago
- PayPal

Payments made in Argentine Pesos (ARS) shall be converted using the Banco Nación selling exchange rate applicable on the payment accreditation date.

4.2. Personal Cancellations and Refunds

Athletes wishing to cancel their participation must formally notify the Organization no later than 15-Sept-2026 inclusive.

Registration fee refunds shall be processed according to the following schedule:

- Cancellations notified on or before 14-Aug-2026 inclusive
 - Refund of 100% of the registration fee paid.
- Cancellations notified between 15-Aug-2026 and 31-Aug-2026 inclusive:
 - Refund of 60% of the registration fee paid.
- Cancellations notified between 01-Sept-2026 and 15-Sept-2026 inclusive:
 - Refund of 40% of the registration fee paid.

Cancellations notified after 15-Sept-2026, as well as athletes who fail to attend the event, shall forfeit any right to reimbursement of the registration fee.

Complementary activities, including but not limited to:

- Courses
- Clinics
- Workshops
- Photography Services
- Travel Packages
- Special Activities

may be subject to independent cancellation and refund policies, which shall be communicated at the time of purchase.

5. GENERAL EVENT SCHEDULE:

The **AIDA Bajau 50 Apnea Competition 2026** shall take place between 05-Oct-2026 and 11-Oct-2026, according to the following preliminary schedule:

5.1. Registration

- Early Bird Registration: From 10-May-2026 to 10-Jul-2026 inclusive.
- Regular Registration: From 11-Jul-2026 to 10-Aug-2026 inclusive.
- Late Registration: From 11-Aug-2026 to 14-Sept-2026 inclusive.
- Deadline for Mandatory Documentation: 14-Sept-2026 – 23:59 hs (GMT - 3). This includes:

- Medical Certificate.
- Liability Waiver Form.
- Image Use Authorization Form.
- Coach Registration (when applicable).

5.2. Pre-Event Activities

- Courses, Clinics and Workshops: From 05-Oct-2026 to 08-Oct-2026. Estimated schedule: 12:00 hs to 16:00 hs (GMT -3).

These activities may require separate registration and contracting.

- Official Training Sessions: From 05-Oct-2026 to 08-Oct-2026. Estimated schedule: 12:00 hs to 16:00 hs (GMT -3). Prior reservation shall be required in order to guarantee availability.

The Organization may modify Number of available slots, duration, lane distribution, schedules and platform access, according to operational and sporting requirements.

5.3. Accreditations

Official accreditations shall take place during:

- First Stage
 - From 05-Oct-2026 to 08-Oct-2026.
 - Schedule: 12:00 hs to 16:00 hs (GMT -3).
- Second Stage
 - 09-Oct-2026.
 - Schedule: 08:30 hs to 12:00 hs (GMT -3).

During accreditation, the following shall be carried out:

- Verification of documentation.
- Delivery of athlete and Coach credentials.
- Delivery of athlete and Coach wristbands.
- Delivery of the competition kit.
- Confirmation of the registered Coach.
- Validation of access permissions.

Athletes wishing to access the venue during the previous days must be accredited and registered for the corresponding dates. Possession of a credential or wristband alone shall not guarantee automatic access.

5.4. Competition Days

- Day 1 – 09-Oct-2026
 - Estimated schedule: 08:30 hs to 20:00 hs (GMT -3)
 - Disciplines: STA and DNF
- Day 2 – 10-Oct-2026
 - Estimated schedule: 08:30 hs to 20:00 hs (GMT -3)
 - Disciplines: DYN and DYNB
- Day 3 – 11-Oct-2026
 - Estimated schedule: 08:30 hs to 20:00 hs (GMT -3)
 - Activities: Extra Attempt Session 1 and Extra Attempt Session 2
- Award Ceremony - 11-Oct-2026.
 - Starting approximately at 20:30 hs.
 - Location: To be defined by the Organization.

The schedule may be modified due to sporting, technical, operational or safety requirements.

6. DISCIPLINES AND COMPETITION STRUCTURE

The official competition disciplines shall be:

- STA (Static Apnea)
- DNF (Dynamic No Fins)
- DYN (Dynamic With Fins)
- DYNB (Dynamic Bi-Fins)

No additional disciplines shall be included during this edition.

Athletes may freely register for any of the available disciplines.

6.1. Maximum Number of Performances

Each athlete may perform a maximum of Six (6) official performances

distributed between:

- Regular attempts.
- Extra Attempts.

The competition shall allow:

- One (1) regular attempt per discipline during the main competition days.

- One (1) additional attempt during each Extra Attempt Session.

6.2. Competition Distribution

During the regular competition days:

- **Day 1**
Each athlete may perform:
 - One (1) STA performance.
 - One (1) DNF performance.
- **Day 2**
Each athlete may perform:
 - One (1) DYN performance.
 - One (1) DYNB performance.
- **Day 3 – Extra Attempt**
Each athlete may perform:
 - One (1) attempt during Extra Attempt Session 1.
 - One (1) attempt during Extra Attempt Session 2.
 - The same discipline may not be repeated between both sessions.

Disciplines may not be repeated within the same competition day.
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6.3. Official Results

For:

- Rankings.
- Records.
- Overall classification.
- Sporting statistics.
- Overall.

Only the best performance achieved by the athlete in each discipline shall be considered. Lower performances shall automatically be discarded.

The calculation of the Overall, international rankings and record recognition shall be determined exclusively according to the current **AIDA World Apnea** Rules.

7. EXTRA ATTEMPT

The competition shall include:

- Extra Attempt Session 1.
- Extra Attempt Session 2.

Each athlete shall have:

- One (1) available slot per Extra Attempt Session.

The use of both attempts is optional.

7.1. Participation Rules

Athletes may:

- Repeat disciplines previously performed during the regular competition days.
- Repeat attempts that resulted in a Red Card.
- Repeat disciplines that resulted in DNS (Did Not Show).
- Repeat attempts that were not performed.

Athletes may not:

- Repeat the same discipline in both Extra Attempt Sessions.

Valid Examples:

- DNF + DYN
- STA + DYNB
- STA + DNF

Invalid Examples:

- DYN + DYN
- STA + STA
- DNF + DNF

7.2. Records and Official Marks

Extra Attempt Sessions may be used for:

- National Record Attempt.
- Continental Record Attempt.
- World Record Attempt.

Sporting and administrative validity shall be determined exclusively by the **AIDA** judging panel.

7.3. No Show

No additional sporting penalties shall apply for:

- DNS.
- No Show.
- Voluntary Absence.

Such situations shall not prevent the athlete from participating in any of the Extra Attempt Sessions.

8. COACHES AND SPORTING ACCESS

Athletes may receive coaching assistance either from other athletes registered in the competition or from a person designated by the athlete.

Each athlete may register one (1) official Coach per competition day.

If the Coach is not a competing athlete, the athlete shall register such Coach at the beginning of each competition day in order to grant access to the areas reserved for this purpose. This rule shall apply equally to national and international athletes.

No additions or substitutions shall be accepted after registration, unless expressly authorized by the Organization.

8.1. Permitted Functions

Coaches may accompany the athlete during:

- STA performances.
- DNF, DYN and DYNB performances.
- Warm-up activities (both in the water and within the pre-warm-up area).

The presence, location during performances and functions of the Coach shall be strictly limited by the current **AIDA World Apnea** Rules and shall always remain restricted to authorized areas.

8.2. Warm-up Area

Athletes and Coaches shall be entitled to access the Warm-up Area up to 45 minutes before the corresponding Official Top.

The Organization may modify:

- Access times.
- Access permissions.
- Sector distribution.
- Operational limits.

according to sporting or safety requirements.

8.3. Identification and Access

Both athletes and Coaches shall receive credentials and/or identification wristbands during the accreditation process and must carry them throughout the event.

Volunteers identified with official apparel may request such identification in order to access:

- Sporting Areas.
- Warm-up Area.
- Athlete Areas.
- Restricted Areas.

Access shall be limited to previously authorized individuals registered no later than 14-Sept-2026.

9. SAFETY AND APPLICATION OF AIDA RULES

The **AIDA Bajau 50 Apnea Competition 2026** shall be conducted in accordance with the current **AIDA World Apnea** Rules for Indoor Competitions, including sporting procedures, safety requirements, penalties, protocols and result validation.

The following responsibilities shall fall exclusively under the authority of the **AIDA** Officials appointed for the event:

- Application and interpretation of the rules.
- Validation of performances.
- Issuance of penalties and cards.

- Recognition of records.
- Calculation of Overall rankings.
- Certification of official results.
- Official Top procedures.
- Competition announcements.
- Start Lists.
- Surface Protocols.
- Sporting and medical procedures.

Any situation not expressly addressed in these regulations shall be subject to the decision of the Head Judge and the Official **AIDA** Panel.

9.1. Medical Protocols and Safety

The event shall be supported by medical personnel, safety staff and emergency resources designated by the Organization.

Medical supervision shall be the responsibility of Medical Director Dr. Marcelo Iuliano

Sporting safety supervision shall be the responsibility of Safety Manager Facundo Yáñez

The Organization shall provide:

- Medical personnel.
- Support staff.
- First-aid equipment.
- Oxygen administration equipment.
- Coordination with external emergency services.

Specific rescue, medical intervention and evacuation procedures shall be established by the Organization and the corresponding sporting authorities.

9.2. Substances, Oxygen and Sporting Regulations

All matters relating to:

- Prohibited substances.
- Oxygen use.
- Pre-competition procedures.
- Regulatory restrictions.
- Sporting conduct.

shall be governed exclusively by the current **AIDA World Apnea** Rules (https://bajaufreediving.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/World_Apnea_Rules_Regulations_2025_V17_8_25_05_2026.pdf).

The Organization shall not establish any additional regulations in these areas.

9.3. Sporting Conduct

All participants shall maintain conduct consistent with:

- **AIDA World Apnea** Rules.
- Sporting safety requirements.
- Respectful coexistence within the venue.
- Instructions from staff members.
- Medical directives.
- Operational procedures.

<p>The Organization may restrict access to specific areas or request the intervention of the Disciplinary Committee in the event of conduct incompatible with the proper development of the competition.</p>
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10. AWARDS, RESULTS AND RECORDS

10.1. Awards by Discipline

Gold, Silver and Bronze medals shall be awarded to the top three (3) athletes in each discipline:

- STA
- DNF
- DYN
- DYNB

for both:

- Male Category
- Female Category

Placings and tie-breaking procedures shall be determined according to the current **AIDA World Apnea** Rules.

10.2. Overall Awards

The top three (3) athletes in:

- Male Overall
- Female Overall

shall receive:

- Gold Medal
- Silver Medal
- Bronze Medal

The calculation of the Overall ranking shall be determined exclusively according to the current **AIDA World Apnea** Rules. The Organization shall not establish any additional scoring methodology.

10.3. Records

Performances achieved during:

- Regular Competition Days.

- Extra Attempt Session 1.
- Extra Attempt Session 2.

may be considered for:

- National Record Attempt.
- Continental Record Attempt.
- World Record Attempt.

provided that all requirements established by **AIDA World Apnea** are met.

Final recognition shall remain the exclusive responsibility of the competent **AIDA** authorities.

10.4. Official Results

Official results shall be published through **AIDA International**. The Organization may subsequently reproduce such results through:

- Official website.
- Social media channels.
- Informational materials.
- Sporting publications.

Any publication made by the Organization shall be considered informational only. In the event of discrepancies, the official reference shall always be the results published by **AIDA International**.

11. PUBLIC, PRESS AND AUDIOVISUAL COVERAGE

Admission for spectators shall be Free of charge. The estimated maximum attendance shall be 1,000 spectators per competition day, subject to:

- Operational requirements.
- Safety considerations.
- Available capacity.
- Organizational requirements.

No prior accreditation shall be required for spectators.

Public access shall be limited to:

- Upper stands.
- Side balconies.
- Areas designated for spectators.

Access to restricted areas shall not be permitted.

11.1. Personal Photography and Video Recording

Athletes and Coaches may take photographs, record videos and use mobile phones, provided that:

- Such use is for personal purposes only.
- It does not interfere with the competition.
- They remain within authorized areas.

These activities shall be limited to:

- Pre-competition areas.
- Authorized Warm-up Areas.
- Other authorized spaces.

The following shall not be permitted:

- Accessing restricted areas for personal recording purposes.
- Interfering with official personnel.
- Occupying operational areas.
- Recording images in areas where personal privacy may be compromised, including changing rooms, bathrooms and similar facilities.

11.2. Official Coverage

The competition shall include:

- Official photography services.
- Official video production.
- Audiovisual production.
- Live streaming coverage.

Personnel accredited by the Organization shall be the only individuals authorized to capture images or recordings within:

- Restricted areas.
- Competition zones.
- Operational areas.
- Courses.
- Clinics.
- Workshops.
- Backstage and preparation areas.

11.3. Press

Accredited media representatives may conduct:

- Photography.
- Video recording.
- Interviews.
- Journalistic coverage.

only from areas designated by the Organization.

Media accreditation shall not grant unrestricted access to the venue.

12. IMAGE USE AND AUDIOVISUAL MATERIAL

Participation in the competition shall require the execution of the Image Use Authorization Form.

Such authorization shall allow the Organization to use:

- Photographs.
- Audio recordings.
- Video recordings.
- Live broadcasts.
- Promotional materials.
- Institutional publications.
- Social media content.
- Future audiovisual productions.

Such material may be used for:

- Sporting purposes.
- Promotional purposes.
- Educational purposes.
- Institutional purposes.

No financial compensation shall be granted for the authorized use of such material.

13. CLAIMS, APPEALS AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Claims, protests, appeals, result reviews and sporting challenges shall be processed in accordance with the current **AIDA World Apnea** Rules.

The Organization shall not establish supplementary procedures.

13.1. Event Cancellation and Rescheduling

In the event of cancellation due to organizational decisions or venue unavailability, the refund percentages and deadlines established for voluntary athlete cancellations shall apply.

In cases of:

- Force majeure.
- Governmental restrictions.
- Public health emergencies.
- Extraordinary events.

the Organization may elect to reschedule the event, maintaining or redefining dates and operational conditions.

13.2. Interpretation of the Regulations

This document corresponds to the English translation of the Organizational Regulations. A Spanish version shall also be made available.

In the event of discrepancies in interpretation, the Spanish version shall prevail.

13.3. Acceptance

Registration for the competition shall imply full acceptance of:

- **AIDA World Apnea** Rules.
- These Supplementary Regulations.
- Organizational procedures.
- Safety protocols.
- Documentation requirements.
- Registration policies.
- Cancellation policies.
- Audiovisual authorizations.

Buenos Aires, May 2026.

Organizing Committee of the **AIDA Bajau 50 Apnea Competition 2026** and **AIDA Uruguay**.

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