

**International Swimming Meeting
For Swimmers aged from 13 and above**



Faros – Elena Sairi 2026

Regional Swimming Committee of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace
Proclamation of swimming competition

The Swimming Club of Alexandroupolis, named OFTHA, in cooperation with the municipality of Alexandroupolis and the Swimming Committee of the Region of East Macedonia & Thrace, and under the auspices of the Hellenic Swimming Federation, organizes the **International Swimming Meeting “FAROS - ELENA SAIRI 2026”** which will take place in the city of **Alexandroupolis from 17th to 19th of April 2026**.

The competition will be conducted at the municipal swimming pool of **Alexandroupolis «Dimosthenis Michalentzakis»** 50 m with 10 lanes equipped with OMEGA timing system and will follow the rules of WORLD AQUATICS.

The recorded times will be official and registered in the archive of the Hellenic Swimming Federation.

The competition is approved as a qualifying event for the World Aquatics Championships 2026, World Aquatics Junior Swimming Championships 2026 by WORLD AQUATICS, European U23 and Junior Swimming Championships are approved as a qualifying event by EUROPEAN AQUATICS.

The results of the matches will be broadcast live at the link below:

<https://live.koe.org.gr>

EVENT PROGRAMME

The Competition will take place in 5 sessions:

1st session - Friday 17/4/2026- Afternoon

Warm-up starts at 16:30

Race starts at 17:30

2nd session - Saturday 18/4/2026- Morning

Warm-up starts at 08:30

Race starts at 09:30 – Qualifying series

3rd session - Saturday 18/4/2026- Afternoon

Warm- up starts at 16:15

The opening ceremony of the event starts at 17:15

Race starts at 17:30 – Finals

4th session – Sunday 19/4/2026 Morning

Warm- up starts at 08:30

Race starts at 09:30 - Qualifying series

5th session – Sunday 19/4/2026- Afternoon

Warm- up starts at 15:30

Race starts at 16:30 - Finals

RULES OF PARTICIPATION:

- Foreign swimmers will be able to participate with the times they achieved during international swimming competitions or any competition organized by their national swimming federation.
- Each swimmer is allowed to participate in up to 5 individual events in total and no more than 2 per swimming session.
- “Out of competition” participations will not be accepted.
- The preliminary heats (morning sessions) will take place in the morning, except for events that are conducted directly as finals. In the afternoon, the finals will be held in two heats, Final A and Final B, comprising the 16 best times in the Men’s and Women’s Open category. Athletes ranked 1st to 8th will compete in Final A, while those ranked 9th to 16th will compete in Final B. If fewer than six athletes qualify for Final B, it will not be held.
- The 400-meter individual medley shall be conducted in final heats.
- The 1500-meter freestyle (men – women) and 800-meter freestyle (men-women) shall be conducted in two final heats, including the 16 fastest times that will be submitted before the competition. The slowest heat will be conducted in the morning session, and the fastest heat will be conducted in the afternoon session.
- The participation fee per swimmer amounts to €25, of which €20 must be paid before the start of the competition to the club’s financial officer at the Secretariat, and €5 must be deposited by each club to the Hellenic Swimming Federation (KOE), in accordance with the decision of the 25th Board of Directors of KOE (18 September 2025). The €5 participation fee per athlete, payable to KOE, must be deposited into one of the following bank accounts:

- NATIONAL BANK OF GREECE (NBG BANK) – IBAN: GR66 0110 0800 0000 0804 8090 172
- EUROBANK – IBAN: GR82 0260 2770 0007 0020 1520 045
- ALPHA BANK – IBAN: GR15 0140 1470 1470 0232 0003 260
- PIRAEUS BANK – IBAN: GR91 0171 7270 0067 2716 3708 450

A copy of the fee payment receipt must be uploaded to the KOE (Hellenic Swimming Federation) platform → Entries → Financial Control by Wednesday, 15 April 2026, at 14:00.

- The event shall be conducted according to the Integrity Code of WORLD AQUATICS for the sport of swimming. All individual races will be conducted according to the international regulations of WORLD AQUATICS and the regulations of the Hellenic Swimming Federation) in heats starting with the slowest and concluding with the fastest times (hereinafter referred to as “OPEN series”).
- Submitted times will be the fastest ones, achieved in an official competition after the 1st of January 2025 until 05/04/2026, in a 50-meter pool.
- The competition will be conducted under the supervision of a doctor and a lifeguard in a swimming pool that has a sports facility license.

TROPHIES:

- Medals will be awarded to the first three (3) male and female winners of the afternoon A Finals of each event of the **OPEN category**, as well as to the first three (3) male and female winners **of the unified Boys–Girls category (13–14 years)**, as determined by the results of the preliminary heats. The award ceremony will take place during the session in which the respective events are held, including events that are conducted directly as finals only.
- **The best swimmer (woman and man)** will be awarded with **300€ each**. The title will be awarded according to the WORLD AQUATICS Swimming Point System.
- **Greek swimmers who achieve a new national record** will be awarded with **100€** (or gifts of the same value) each.

PARTICIPATION SUBMISSIONS:

Participation entries must be submitted no later than **FRIDAY, 10/04/2026**, via the following link of the Hellenic Swimming Federation (KOE): https://clubs.koe.org.gr/KOEWebEntries_PROD/KOEWebEntries.aspx

Foreign teams must send an email to **y.montesantos@koe.org.gr** in order to receive a username, link, password, and user manual. This procedure must be completed at least **three (3) weeks before the competition**, and teams must also submit an official document issued by their respective national federation.

Cancellations may be made until **TUESDAY, 14/04/2026 at 23:59**.

By **Wednesday, 15/04/2026 at 14:00**, clubs are kindly requested to upload a copy of the deposit receipt for the **€5 participation fee** to the KOE platform:
Entries → **Financial** **Control**.
Otherwise, the entries will not be included in the official start list, and the participation of the athletes in the competition will not be permitted.

Participation entries per event and per club, as well as the competition results, will be published on the KOE website:
<https://live.koe.org.gr/#/events-calendar>

For more information or any clarification, you can contact:

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We wish you every success.

The organizing club may, following consultation with the participating clubs, amend the terms of the competition announcement in order to improve the conduct of the event, depending on the level of athlete participation.

Any change or modification to the present document requires the approval of the KOE.

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

1st Session

25 / 4/ 2025 – Friday Afternoon, 17.30

1. 50m. Backstroke Women (P)
2. 50m. Backstroke Men (P)
3. 50m. Freestyle Women (P)
4. 50m. Freestyle Men (P)
5. 400m. Individual Medley Women (F)
6. 400m. Individual Medley Men (F)
7. 800m. Freestyle Women (F)
8. 1500m. Freestyle Men (F)

- **Awards for the unified Boys–Girls category (13–14 years old) in Events 1 to 4 will take place during Event 5.**
- **Awards for Events 5 and 6 will take place during Event 7 for the unified Boys–Girls category and the Men’s–Women’s (OPEN) category.**
- **Awards for Events 7 and 8 will take place at the end of the competition session for the unified Boys–Girls category and the Men’s–Women’s (OPEN) category.**

2nd Session (Preliminary Heats)
26/4/2025 – Saturday Morning, 9.30

1. 100m. Breaststroke Men
2. 100m. Breaststroke Women
3. 100m. Butterfly Men
4. 100m. Butterfly Women
5. 200m. Freestyle Men
6. 200m. Freestyle Women
7. 200m. Individual Medley Men
8. 200m. Individual Medley Women
9. 200m. Backstroke Men
10. 200m. Backstroke Women
11. 800m. Freestyle Men (slow heat)
12. 1500m. Freestyle Women (slow heat)

Awards for the unified Boys–Girls category:

- For Events 1 to 4, awards will take place during Event 5.
- For Events 5 to 12, awards will take place at the end of the competition session.

3rd Session (Finals)
26/4/2025 – Saturday Afternoon, 17.30

1. 800m. Freestyle Men (**fast heat**)
2. 100m. Breaststroke Women
3. 100m. Breaststroke Men
Victory Ceremony for the 1st event
4. 100m. Butterfly Women
5. 100m. Butterfly Men
Victory Ceremony for the 2nd and 3rd events
6. 200m. Freestyle Women
7. 200m. Freestyle Men
Victory Ceremony for the 4th and 5th events
8. 50m. Backstroke Women
9. 50m. Backstroke Men
Victory Ceremony for the 6th and 7th events
10. 200m. Individual Medley Women
11. 200m. Individual Medley Men
Victory Ceremony for the 8th and 9th events
12. 50m. Freestyle Women
13. 50m. Freestyle Men
Victory Ceremony for the 10th and 11th event
14. 200m. Backstroke Women
15. 200m. Backstroke Men
Victory Ceremony for the 12th and 13th event
16. 1500m. Freestyle Women (**fast heat**)

The Victory Ceremony for the 14th and 15th event will take place during the 16th event.

The Victory Ceremony for the 16th event will take place after the end of the 3rd session.

4th Session (Preliminary Heats)
27/4/2025 – Sunday Morning, 9.30

1. 100m. Freestyle Women
2. 100m. Freestyle Men
3. 50m. Breaststroke Women
4. 50m. Breaststroke Men
5. 100m. Backstroke Women
6. 100m. Backstroke Men
7. 200m. Butterfly Women
8. 200m. Butterfly Men
9. 400m. Freestyle Women
10. 400m. Freestyle Men
11. 200m. Breaststroke Women
12. 200m. Breaststroke Men
13. 50m. Butterfly Women
14. 50m. Butterfly Men

Awards for the unified Boys–Girls category:

- For Events 1 to 4, awards will take place during Event 5.
- For Events 5 to 8, awards will take place during Event 9.
- For Events 9 to 14, awards will take place at the end of the competition session.

5th Session (Finals)

27/4/2025 – Sunday Afternoon, 16.30

1. 100m. Freestyle Women
2. 100m. Freestyle Men
3. 50m. Breaststroke Women
4. 50m. Breaststroke Men
- Victory Ceremony for the 1st and 2nd events**
5. 100m. Backstroke Women
6. 100m. Backstroke Men
- Victory Ceremony for the 3rd and 4th events**
7. 200m. Butterfly Women
8. 200m. Butterfly Men
- Victory Ceremony for the 5th and 6th events**
9. 400m. Freestyle Women
10. 400m. Freestyle Men
- Victory Ceremony for the 7th and 8th events**
11. 200m. Breaststroke Women
12. 200m. Breaststroke Men
- Victory Ceremony for the 9th and 10th event**
13. 50m. Butterfly Women
14. 50m. Butterfly Men

The Victory Ceremony for the remaining events (11th to 14th) will take place after the end of the 5th session.



The President

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SUGGESTED HOTELS

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