



02 to 05 November 2026
Sharm Elsheikh - Egypt



2026 CMAS World Championship Finswimming Open Water
Masters

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We are honored to welcome you to Egypt for one of the most thrilling events in the world of finswimming.

Athletes, coaches, officials, and fans from across the globe are gathering here in Sharm El Sheikh, on the breathtaking shores of the Red Sea, to celebrate excellence, speed, and unity in open water finswimming.

Let the sea carry your strength,

Let the sport carry your spirit.

Welcome to the Championship!

Dear Respected Athletes, Delegates, Coaches, and Honored Guests, It is with immense pride and heartfelt enthusiasm that I welcome you all to 2026 CMAS World Championship Finswimming Open Water - Masters, hosted this year in the historically rich and scenically breathtaking land of Egypt. We are profoundly honored to host this globally esteemed competition on the shores of the Red Sea in Sharm El Sheikh—a destination renowned worldwide for its crystal-clear waters, vibrant marine life, and breathtaking natural beauty. Nestled between majestic desert landscapes and one of the world's most spectacular underwater environments, Sharm El Sheikh offers a unique blend of adventure, hospitality, and international appeal, providing the perfect setting for a championship that epitomizes speed, strength, and global unity.



Egypt, a nation where ancient splendor meets modern vitality, has long stood as a testament to human ambition and resilience. From the iconic marvels of antiquity—the Pyramids of Giza, the temples of Luxor, and the libraries of Alexandria—to our state-of-the-art sports infrastructure and dynamic youth population, Egypt continues to be a nexus of excellence and aspiration. This championship, beyond being a celebration of athletic prowess, is a symbol of cross-cultural camaraderie and global fellowship. It is our sincere hope that your time here will be filled not only with thrilling competition and personal triumphs but also with enriching encounters and indelible memories. May this event serve as a beacon of international sportsmanship, mutual respect, and shared passion. We are elated to have you with us and are committed to ensuring that your experience in Egypt is nothing short of exceptional. Welcome to our land of history, hospitality, and hope. Welcome to the heart of the Red Sea. Welcome to Egypt.

With deepest respect and warm regards,

**Mr. Gohar Nabil
Minster of Youth and Sports**

The Confédération Mondiale des Activités Subaquatiques (CMAS) is pleased to welcome athletes, officials and partners to the 2026 CMAS World Championship Finswimming Open Water Seniors, Juniors & Masters taking place in Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt from 30 October to 05 November 2026.

Bringing together competitors from across the world, this Championship represents the highest level of international competition within the CMAS calendar, and reflects the core principles of CMAS sport: high standards of performance, respect for rules and officials, and the spirit of fair and friendly competition between nations.

This event is made possible through the close collaboration between CMAS, the host Federation and the Egyptian Diving and Lifesaving Federation, whose dedication and professionalism ensure the conditions for a safe, fair and successful Championship. CMAS wishes all participants a successful competition and hopes that this Championship will offer not only high-level sporting performances, but also lasting memories and positive exchanges for everyone involved.

Anna Arzhanova
President of CMAS



It is with the deepest sense of privilege and heartfelt enthusiasm that I welcome you, on behalf of Egyptian Diving and Lifesaving Federation, to 2026 CMAS World Championship Finswimming Open Water Seniors, Juniors & Masters taking place in Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt from 30 October to 05 November 2026.

An event magnificently framed by the timeless majesty and cultural richness of the Arab Republic of Egypt.

This championship, a crowning moment in our global finswimming calendar, represents far more than a contest of speed and endurance; it is a remarkable gathering of diverse traditions, disciplines, and collective dreams. Coming together in Egypt—a land whose legacy spans the ancient and the eternal—is a powerful reminder of how sport can bridge continents and connect us through shared purpose and human aspiration.

Your participation—whether as athletes, coaches, officials, or supporters—reflects a profound commitment to excellence, tireless preparation, and a passion for the sport that transcends personal ambition. I am certain that the days ahead will reveal outstanding performances, exemplary sportsmanship, and moments of unity that will resonate long after the final race concludes.

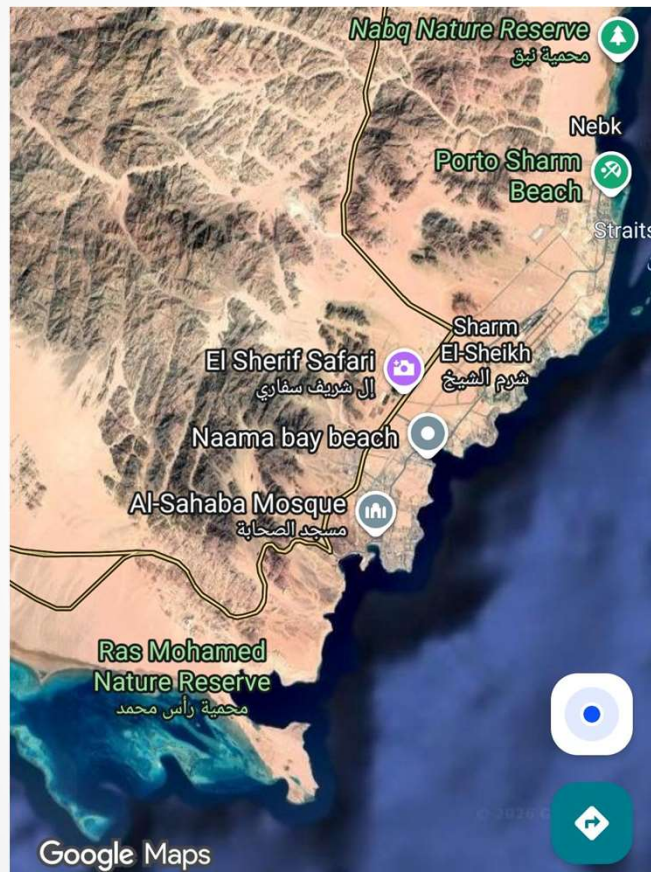
As we step into this extraordinary experience, I invite each of you to embrace not only the spirit of high-level competition but also the opportunity to engage with the vibrant heritage, hospitality, and cultural wealth that Egypt so graciously extends. Let this championship stand as a beacon of progress for finswimming and as a platform for forging lasting bonds of respect, cooperation, and international fellowship.

With the highest regard and every wish for a safe, uplifting, and truly memorable championship experience,

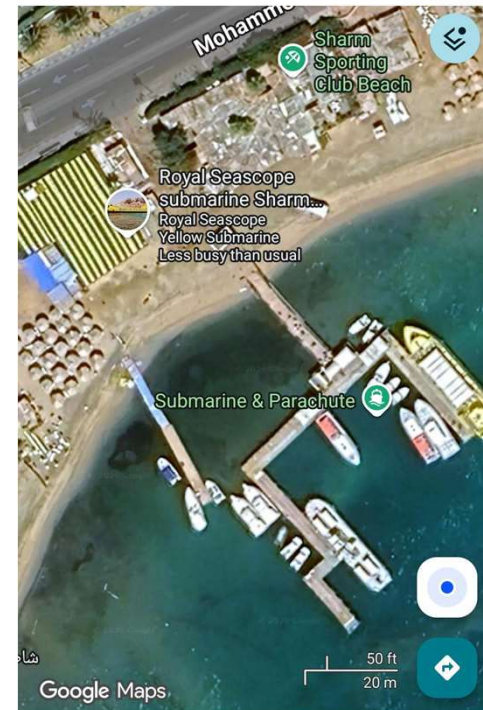
Sameh Elshazly
EDLF President
CMAS BoD Member



GENERAL INFORMATION – LOCATION MAP



Sharm El Sheikh is one of the world's premier Red Sea destinations, renowned for its crystal-clear waters, spectacular coral reefs, and year-round sunshine. As the host city of the CMAS World Championship Finswimming Open Water, it offers exceptional conditions for open water competition, with its calm waters, outstanding marine environment, and world-class tourism infrastructure. Combining natural beauty, vibrant atmosphere, and renowned hospitality, Sharm El Sheikh provides the perfect stage for athletes from around the globe to compete at the highest level.



INFORMATION

1- CHAMPIONSHIPS RULES

- The CMAS general rules and CMAS Finswimming rules will be applied.
- Only participants with a CMAS license are eligible to compete in the Championship.
- The participants shall register only individually or as persons representing clubs. No swimmer or team may be designated as representing a country, but a label of Federal Team is authorized.
- Since federal or club teams are not national ones, a club or a federation can present more than one relay team in each age group.
- During CMAS Master's competitions and championships, swimmers must swim exclusively in their age category and cannot compete in any other category.

2- MASTER AGE GROUPS

- Each athlete is registered for the individual events in his related age category: M30+, M40+, M50+, M60+, M70+, M80+.
- The relays' category are:

Category	Sum of Ages (From-To)	
R140	140	179
R180	180	219
R220	220	259
R260	260	+

3- CHAMPIONSHIPS EVENTS

- Individual (M&F): 1 km SF, 3 km SF, 1 km BF, 3 km BF.
- Relay: 4x1 km SB mixed.
- The maximum number of enrolments for each participant is free for individual races.
- All members of a masters' relay must belong to the masters' category, be at least 30 years old. The starting order for mixed relays is man - woman – man – woman.

4- AWARDS

- There will be awarded gold, silver and bronze medals for each distance in individual races and for each relay, for each age group for men and women (or mixed teams).

5- INTERNATIONAL JURY

- CMAS Technical Delegate according to the CMAS rules.

6- PROTESTS

- According to the CMAS rules.

7- DOPING CONTROL

- Anti-doping tests may be conducted during the championship according to the international rules of WADA and the CMAS anti-doping code.
- The organizing committee guarantees to provide doping control according to the CMAS and WADA rules.

GENERAL SCHEDULE

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		MORNING	AFTERNOON
Day -1	2nd November Arrival of delegations - Training		
Day 1	3rd November Technical Meeting - 1 st day of Championship	Day 1 3 rd of Nov. Technical Meeting and Training	4x1km SB
Day 2	4th November 2 nd day of Championship		
Day 3	5th November Departure of Delegations	Day 2 4 th of Nov. 1 km BF Women 1 km BF Men 3 km SF Women 3 km SF Men	1 km SF Women 1 km SF Men 3 km BF Women 3 km BF Men

BOOKING & ENTRY FEES

1. The EDLF Organising committee do not provide accommodation package for the CMAS 2026 World Championship Finswimming Open Water Masters.

- COMPETITION REGISTRATION: 150€

The participation package includes:

- 2X0,5L drinking water per person, per day
- Participation in the Opening & Closing Ceremonies
- One T-shirt per participant

• AS FOLLOWS

2. Registration and payment of CMAS fees on CMAS portal (52€)

LOCATION INFORMATION

BRIEF ABOUT THE VENUE

Sharm El Maya Bay, Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt, is one of the Red Sea's most iconic coastal locations, known for its calm turquoise waters, excellent visibility, and favorable sea conditions throughout the year. Situated close to the city center and easily accessible from Sharm El Sheikh International Airport, the bay offers an ideal environment for open water sporting events. Its sheltered coastline, minimal wave activity, and breathtaking natural scenery provide outstanding conditions for athletes, officials, and spectators attending the 2026 CMAS World Championship Finswimming Open Water.

Location: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/DqWYafPTWn97EaqK7>

TEMPERATURE AND WATER TEMPERATURE

Average daytime temperatures in Sharm El Sheikh during the period from 2 to 5 November 2026 are expected to range from about 28–30°C at the end of October, gradually easing to around 26–28°C by early November. Nighttime temperatures typically fall between 21–23°C at the start of the period, dropping slightly to around 18–20°C by the end. Sea water temperatures remain warm and comfortable for swimming and diving, averaging approximately 26.5–27°C in late October and decreasing slightly to around 25.5–26.5°C in early November.

Payment and Registration

PAYMENT

Bank Information:

Account Name	Egyptian Diving and Lifesaving Federation
Bank Name	Banque Misr - Main Branch
Bank Account	1400130000001685
IBAN	EG130002014001400130000001685
SWIFT Code	BMISEGCXXX

VISA

If you require a visa, please contact the organizing committee at least two months before entry.

DEADLINES FOR ENTRY AND PARTICIPATION:

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- 24th of September 2026**

A minimum of 50% of the total entry fee should be deposited at the organization's bank account to guarantee the booking. Payment must be sent to the organizing committee, together with a copy of the bank transfer. After this date, the participation fees will increase by a further 10% of the total amount. The remaining payment should be paid upon arrival.

- 8th of October 2026**

The Information form should be sent to the organizing committee by email to Inform the organizing committee of all of your arrival details, together with a copy of the bank transfer.

Payment and Registration

DEADLINES FOR ENTRY AND PARTICIPATION:

- **20th of October 2025**

Registration and total payment of CMAS fees.

- DEADLINES
- Opening date of registration: 07/08/2026
- Closing date for registration: 20/10/2026
- Closing date for total payment : 08/10/2026

The Information forms should be sent to the organizing committee.

ENROLMENTS

Registration and payment of CMAS fees on CMAS portal

THANK YOU

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT US AT THE FOLLOWING
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Sameh Nabil Elshazly

- Egyptian Diving and Lifesaving Federation President
- CMAS BoD Member