



2027 Australian Open National Pool Freediving & Parafreediving Championship



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1. Welcome message

On behalf of the Australian Underwater Federation, it is our pleasure to invite you to Brisbane for the 2027 Australian Freediving Pool National Championships.

We are delighted to host athletes, officials, volunteers and supporters from across Australia and overseas at the Sleeman Sports Complex. Brisbane provides an excellent setting for competition, bringing together world-class sporting facilities with the relaxed atmosphere for which Queensland is known.

This championship is an opportunity not only to celebrate athletic performance, but also to strengthen the friendships and spirit that define the freediving community. We extend our sincere thanks to all competitors, judges, safety personnel, volunteers, partners and sponsors whose commitment will make this event possible.

We wish every athlete safe dives, personal bests and an enjoyable championship, and hope your time in Brisbane is both successful and memorable.

We look forward to welcoming you to the 2027 Australian Freediving Pool National Championships.

Acting as Local Organising Committee,
Australian Freediving Association
Brisbane Freedivers Club
Sunshine Coast Freedivers Club





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2. Presentation of the Host City

Brisbane is the capital of Queensland and Australia's third-largest city, with a population of around 2.7 million people. Situated on the Brisbane River, it enjoys a subtropical climate, with warm temperatures throughout much of the year.

The competition will take place at the Sleeman Sports Complex in Chandler, one of Australia's leading aquatic sports facilities. The venue is approximately 20 minutes by car from both Brisbane Airport and the city centre, with a range of accommodation options available nearby.

Brisbane serves as a convenient base for visitors wishing to explore southeast Queensland. Popular destinations within easy reach include Moreton Bay, the Gold Coast and the Sunshine Coast, while the city itself offers a range of parks, museums, galleries and riverside precincts.

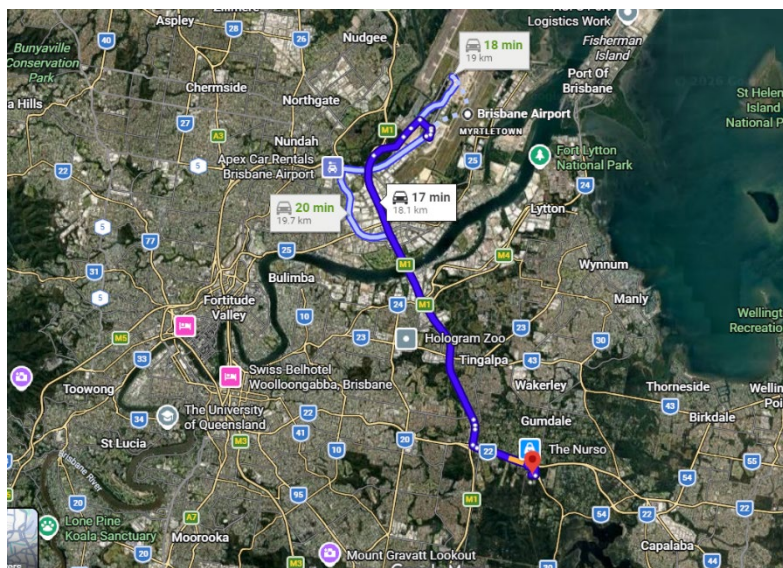




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3. City map



Sleeman Aquatic Centre is located in Chandler, approx. **20 minutes' drive from Brisbane International Airport**. Allow extra time during rush hour.

Brisbane is connected via direct flights to major cities across Asia, the Middle East, New Zealand, North America, and the Pacific. From Europe and many other regions, one-stop connections are available via Singapore, Doha, Dubai, Hong Kong, and Auckland, as well as via Sydney, Melbourne and Perth.



Chandler Lodge and Cabins at Sleeman Sports Complex offers **convenient cabin-style accommodation on site just steps away from the competition venue**. See [their website](#) for details. Bookings can be made via telephone 07.3131.9622, asking about the accommodation reserved under Brisbane Freediving Club / BFC for the duration of the event.



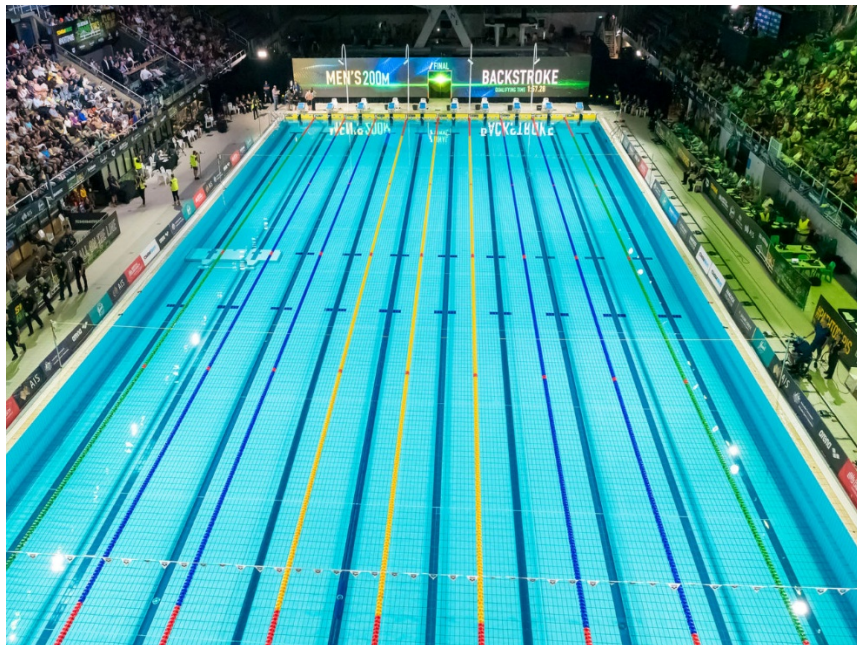


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4. Presentation of the Competition Venue

The competition will take place at **Brisbane Aquatic Centre, Sleeman Sports Complex** in Brisbane.



Dynamic & speed apnea pool specifications

- Size: 50 meters
- Min Depth: 2m
- Max Depth: 2m
- Number of lanes: 10
- Water temperature: 27-28°C



Static apnea pool specifications

- Min Depth: 1.2m
- Max Depth: 1.2m
- Water temperature: 29-31°C

The complex is a state-of-the art facility offering dressing room, showers and toilets for athletes' use, including ample dry warm-up space.





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5. General information

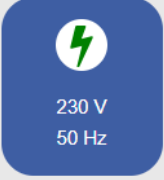
The Australian Underwater Federation – authorised by CMAS – invites all interested National Federations to participate in the 2027 Australian Open National Pool Freediving & Parafreediving Championship, scheduled to take place 26-29 March 2027 in Brisbane, Australia.

Various and practical information

- The Currency of Australia is the Australian Dollar (AUD)
- Electrical current in Australia is 230V, 50 Hz.
- **Type “I” plug**

from AU to

Australia



In Australia, power plugs and sockets (outlets) of type I are used. The standard voltage is 230 V at a frequency of 50 Hz.





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Information about participation

- All participants should respect the Competition rules, the safety conditions set by the Organizers and CMAS rules and regulations.
- The event is open to the athletes aged 18 and over and fully complying with the provisions of CMAS Regulations.
- CMAS, the Competition Director and International Technical Officials are not responsible for accidents or damage caused to people and personal effects before, during or after the competition. The Local Organizing Committee ensures the presence of medical assistance.

Registration process

Registration for the competition must be done via CMAS Portal <https://portal.cmas.org/> as well as via the organisers' [registration form](#) and [event page](#).

Each athlete must have personal profile in CMAS Portal (self-registration). Portrait photo must be uploaded. The profile photo must show a close-up of the face and be recognizable (similar to the photo on documents).

How to register on the CMAS Portal (information for the athletes):

- Log into CMAS portal <https://portal.cmas.org/cmas/dashboard>
- Go to the event section <https://portal.cmas.org/cmas/evt-events/events>
- Use the filter options to find the event you want to register.
- Enter the event page. Scroll down. Start registration procedure.
- Assign disciplines you plan to compete.
- Add official Personal Best result in each discipline (PB must not be older than 1 year before competition start). If there is not existing an official PB it will count as zero (0).
- Athletes who declared a PB of "0" (zero) in any discipline and there is no official result registered in CMAS competitions, will be placed at the beginning of the start list, ordered alphabetically.
- Reminder – Penalty for DNS (Did Not Start): According to CMAS Depth Freediving Rules, article 1.3.1.3, In case of no show during the World Championships, the athletes will be declared DNS and a penalty of 300 euros will be applied to the team. Penalty not applicable if athlete DNS due to medical reasons (medical statement signed by doctor must be sent to CMAS Technical Delegate).





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Important notice:

- **In addition to registering via the CMAS Portal**, which is not visible to the LOC organisations, **athletes must fill a [registration form](#)** that is visible to the organisers **and pay via the [organisers' event page](#)**. Registration is considered complete when BOTH the online form and the athlete fee are received. Organisers will confirm that registration is complete via the email provided. If you do not receive confirmation within a few days, please [contact us](#).
- All registrations must be completed and paid until the final dead-line.
- No late registrations allowed.

Athletes documents:

Below mentioned documents must be uploaded into personal profile of the athlete at CMAS Portal:

- ADEL certificate, or for Australian athletes, Sport Integrity Australia (SIA) Training Completion History showing completion of the following [e-learnings](#): 'Anti-doping fundamentals' and 'Annual Updates' if needed, 'Decision-making in sport'
- Medical Insurance* (see below)
- Medical certificate not older than 12 months
- ID document- Passport (to be presented during registration for CMAS Portal ID verification)

Athletes that fail to provide the above documents will not be allowed to take part in the competitions, and their participation fee will not be refunded. Also, athletes have to fulfill all the liability release documents concerning the competition.

* Insurance

All teams must ensure that all their participants have adequate private health and repatriation insurance during the competition.

The participants should purchase adequate medical insurance and repatriation insurance at their place of departure. The medical insurance shall cover accidental medical treatment, sudden illness and hospitalization allowance.

Medical insurance must be valid in the territory of Australia.

The repatriation insurance shall cover the costs in case of an emergency where you need to return to your place of departure. CMAS and Organizing committee will not be liable for any risks arising therefrom.

Championships Rules

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Disciplines and Distances (Men & Women)

DNF
DYN-BF
DYN
STA
SPEED 2x50m
SPEED 4x50m
SPEED 8x50m

Age Categories

SENIORS
MASTERS M1
MASTERS M2
MASTERS M3

International Jury

- Board of Judges, according to the CMAS Procedures & Obligations.

Doping Control

The event will not have CMAS World Record Status. Nevertheless, the Australian Underwater Association may determine to enlist the event as a Declared Event, potentially attracting anti-doping controls by the National Anti-Doping Organisation (Sport Integrity Australia).

Security Rules

Mandatory testing for BZD and PDE 5 will also be carried out.

Classification and Awards

According to the CMAS rules.

Overall rankings will be determined by the top aggregate points across STA, DNF, DYN and DYNB. Point will be awarded as follows:

- DNF, DYN and DYNB: 0.5 pt per metre
- STA: 0.2 pt per sec





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Medical Support & Emergency Procedures

On-Site Medical Coverage: at least two medics will oversee the competition, meeting qualifications required in clinicians' scope of practice in Queensland and confident in managing emergency situations and with strong practical skills in airway management. In general within Australia this is likely to be experienced paramedics, ICU or critical care nurses, anaesthetists and doctors or surgeons who work in emergency settings. Medics will have access to first aid and resuscitation medical equipment, including at least one tank of medical oxygen for every competition lane / competition area.

Hospital: Princess Alexandra Hospital, Corner of Tilley Road and Old Cleveland Road, Chandler 4155 QLD, approx. 18 min. from the competition venue.

Emergency Transport: ambulance services are expected to be on stand-by at the competition venue.

Responsibility for Off-Venue Incidents: Any health issues or injuries occurring outside the designated competition area are the responsibility of the individual athletes or their teams, including transportation and medical care arrangements.

Medical Expenses: in the event of accidents sustained by athletes inside the designated competition area and during the event, the Organisers' Sport Accident Insurance will cover Non-Medicare medical expenses.

Diving-Related Accidents: In the event of any accident occurring during a dive, the athlete must undergo a medical evaluation by the official competition medic or at the local hospital/urgent care clinic. Further participation or travel will only be permitted upon clearance by the attending medical professionals in accordance with the established medical protocol.





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6. General Schedule

The Draft Program of the event is as follows:

- 25 Mar 2027 Arrivals and Registration
- 25 Mar 2027 Official Training
- Medal ceremonies will be held downtown at the closing ceremony.
- The closing ceremony will take place on 29 Mar 2027 at a location yet to be specified.

Day 0	Thu 25 Mar 2027	Arrival, Registration, Official Training
Day 1	Fri 26 Mar 2027	2nd Day of competition, Disciplines
Day 2	Sat 27 Mar 2027	2nd Day of competition, Disciplines
Day 3	Sun 28 Mar 2027	3rd day of competition, Disciplines
Day 4	Mon 29 Mar 2027	3rd day of competition, Disciplines Closing ceremony Departures





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7. Competition Schedule

Day 0	25 Mar 2027	Thursday	ARRIVAL DAY
	16:00-18:00	Registration open	
	17:00-18:00	Official Training	
Day 1	26 Mar 2027	Friday	DNF + speed apnea (4x50m TBC)
	07:15	Warm-up lane opens	
	08:00	First Top Time DNF	
	13:57	Last Top Time DNF	
	15:30	First heat speed apnea	
	16:22	Last heat speed apnea	
Day 2	27 Mar 2027	Saturday	DYN + speed apnea (2x50m TBC)
	07:15	Warm-up lane opens	
	08:00	First Top Time DYN	
	13:57	Last Top Time DYN	
	15:30	First heat speed apnea	
	16:05	Last heat speed apnea	
Day 3	28 Mar 2027	Sunday	DYNB + speed apnea (8x50m TBC)
	07:15	Warm-up lane opens	
	08:00	First Top Time DYNB	
	13:57	Last Top Time DYNB	
	15:30	First heat speed apnea	
	16:45	Last heat speed apnea	
Day 2	29 Mar 2027	Monday	STA
	07:15	Warm-up lane opens	
	08:00	First Top Time STA	
	11:20	Last Top Time STA	
	15:15	Closing ceremony	





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8. Financial Modalities

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[Booking](#)

Until 31 Aug 2026, Early bird registration total price 450 AUD

Between 1 Sep 2026 and 28 Feb 2027, Ordinary registration total price 550 AUD

Starting 1 Mar 2027, Late registration total price 600 AUD

All Australian citizen and Australian residents are required to be current members of the AFA. If you are not an Australian citizen or an Australian resident, an additional \$25 competition membership fee applies. Please make sure you add this at check-out.

For this price, the organizer will provide:

- Participation at the Opening and the Closing ceremony.
- 1x Event t-shirt

Cancellation policy

- Before 1 Oct 2026, 23.59 AEST: refund of all but \$100
- Until 28 Feb 2027, 23.59 AEST: 50% refund
- Starting 1 Mar 2027: no refund
- Special deals / non-refundable rates: no refund



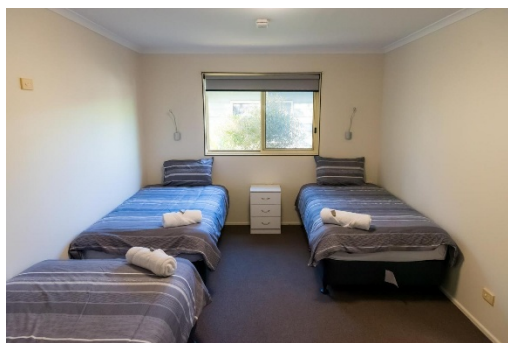


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Accommodation:

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9. Payment

All fees must be paid via the organisers' [event webpage](#). Registration is considered complete when BOTH the [online form](#) and the athlete fee are received. Organisers will confirm that registration is complete via the email provided.

If you do not receive confirmation within a few days, or if you cannot pay via the website and need bank coordinates instead, please [contact us](#).

VISA

In case a visa is needed, please send the ANNEX 5 to the Local Organizing Committee at least 3 months before the Competition.





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10. Deadlines - Conditions for Entry & Participation

Registration on the CMAS Portal. [https://portal.cmas.org/
login](https://portal.cmas.org/login)

No later than 25 Mar 2027

All the athletes , must be registered online through the CMAS Portal ([CMAS Portal](#)).
All fees must be paid.

Closing date of registration deadline – 25 Mar
2027

AFTER 25 Mar 2027 REGISTRATION IS NOT POSSIBLE.

Athlete registration is considered complete once all disciplines have been entered and the fees has been paid.

For further information, please contact
The Local Organizing Committee: committee@australianfreediving.org

