

2025 CMAS 1ST INTERCONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP ASIA / OCEANIA UNDERWATER HOCKEY

INCORPORATING THE 2025 ASIAN JUNIOR INTERCLUB CUP

3rd August – 9th August 2025 KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA

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1. Invitation

1.1 Championship Host Invitation

Malayan Sub Aqua Club (MSAC) and the Malaysia Underwater Hockey Association (MUHA) pleased and proud to invite all the Asian & Oceania countries to participate in the 2025 CMAS 1st Intercontinental Championship Asia/Oceania Underwater Hockey that will take place in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from the 3rd to the 9th of August 2025. We look forward to hosting you all here.

Welcome to Malaysia!

Roshan Babu Balakrishnan

President of Malaysia Underwater Hockey Association

1.2 CMAS Underwater Hockey Commission Invitation

On behalf of the CMAS Underwater Hockey Commission, I would like to invite you all to attend the 2025 CMAS 1st Intercontinental Championship Asia/Oceania Underwater Hockey in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in August 2024.

The organising team is well underway with preparations, and we expect you will all join us to experience a very memorable and happy time in the beautiful and friendly city of Kuala Lumpur.

Tristan Reynard

Director, CMAS UWH Commission

1.3 2025 Asian Junior Interclub Cup

The CMAS UWH Commission together with the Malaysia Underwater Hockey Association are very pleased to announce that the 2025 Asian Junior Interclub Cup will be run in conjunction with the 2025 CMAS 1st Intercontinental Championship Asia/Oceania Underwater Hockey.

The 2025 Asian Junior Cup is a regional initiative to bring together our junior players from across Asia and Oceania to attend an Underwater Hockey tournament that is part of an Intercontinental Championships.

The 2025 Asian Junior Interclub Cup follows on from the successful 2024 8th CMAS Asian Underwater Hockey Cup and will provide a unique and special environment where players, coaches and referees will be able to develop in the sport as we continue to grow the sport in the region.

1.4 Eligibility

National Federation from Asia and Oceania regions are invited to participate at these tournaments if they are affiliated to CMAS.





For all teams, regardless of the tournament they are participating in must

- Comply with the Championship / Cup Rules;
- Comply with all Safety Requirements as set by the Organizers
- Ensure all players, coaches, managers and referees have a valid CMAS sport licence.

Specific Rules

1.4.1 - 2025 CMAS 1st Intercontinental Championship Asia/Oceania Underwater Hockey.

- This tournament will be subject to all current rules for Category A tournaments as set out in the Regulations for Underwater Hockey Competitions Version 1.
- A copy of these regulations, which are expected to be approved by the CMAS BOD early February 2025.
- Player Eligibility is as per clause 1.4.1 of the regulations which are to be read in conjunction with the Eligibility Rule Determination that can be found at....
- These championships will be the qualifying competition for the 2027 CMAS World Championships Underwater Hockey.
- The actual number of qualifying slots for this tournament will be determined on 15th June 2025 and will be displayed on the CMAS Website.

1.4.2 2025 Asian Junior Interclub Cup

- This tournament will be subject to all current rules for Category C tournaments as set out in the Regulations for Underwater Hockey Competitions Version 1.
- A copy of these regulations, which are expected to be approved by the CMAS BOD early February 2025.
- Clubs can send more than ONE team for Under 19 and Under 15 grades.

1.5 Contact Details

Communication medium	Address	Description
LOC Email address	contact@muha.org.my	Distribution of email to host organising committee and CMAS UWH Commission members
Championship Website	https://www.asiaoceaniauwh2025.com/ home	Tournament information
CMAS Website	https://www.cmas.org/hockey/commiss ion .html	CMAS UWH Commission information
CMAS Portal website	https://portal.cmas.org/	CMAS Sports Licences and Division Registration.
CMAS TV	https://tv.cmas.org/	Livestream of the competition





2. General Information

2.1 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

The origin of Kuala Lumpur dates to 1857, when a group of 87 Chinese tin miners founded a settlement at what is now the suburb of Ampang. Strategically commanding both river valleys, the community flourished as a tin-collecting centre despite its malaria-infested jungle location. In 1880 Kuala Lumpur superseded Klang (now Kelang) as



the state capital, and its rapid growth thereafter has been attributed to Sir Frank Swettenham, British resident after 1882. He initiated construction on the Klang–Kuala Lumpur Railway and encouraged the use of brick and tile in buildings as a precaution against fire and as an aid to better health. The city's central position led to its choice as capital of the Federated Malay States (1895).

The city was occupied by the Japanese (1942–45) in World War II. Its population greatly increased in the postwar years during a long (1948–60) communist-led guerrilla insurgency, and under a resettlement program new villages were established on the city's outskirts. Kuala Lumpur became the capital of the independent Federation of Malaya in 1957 and of Malaysia in 1963. Growth continued, spurred by industrial development; the



population reached a half million in the mid 1960s and passed one million in the early 1980s. Population growth brought increased congestion, however, which, with Malaysian government offices scattered across the city, hampered administration. Consequently, many of the federal offices were moved to the new city of Putrajaya, about 15 miles (25 km) south of Kuala Lumpur, about the turn of the 21st century. Putrajaya subsequently became the country's administrative centre, while Kuala Lumpur remained the capital.

2.2 Host City Location

Getting around the city

KL's public transit system is superb. Taxis, buses, trains, and the metro will get you wherever in the city. Yet, KL's primary intersections are frequently jam-packed with people. To get to other cities in Malaysia, you can take the public transit system from Kuala Lumpur. Detailed descriptions of each route to your destination are provided below. When staying in the city's heart, you can easily walk to the city's best attractions.

A sophisticated light rail system connects the northern and southern parts of Kuala Lumpur and the eastern and western parts of the city (though, unfortunately, not all stations are connected). The metro system in Kuala Lumpur is highly convenient and offers passengers a high level of comfort.





Getting to Championship By Air

The closest airport will be the Kuala Lumpur International Airport Terminal 1 and 2 which is located around 89 km from the city centre of Kuala Lumpur. From the airport, you can travel to the city by the KLIA Transit train, Bus, Private Limo/Taxi or use the local Grab Service which is similar to Uber.

- KLIA Transit ticket from Airport to KL City Centre is 15 Euro (1 way)
- Bus ticket from Airport to KL City Centre (1 way) is 4.50 Euro (Depending on the bus service provider)
- Private Taxi or Grab Car will cost you around 18 Euros (1 way)

The organizers have held discussions to secure a sport tourism service provider who is able to provide shuttle service from airport to hotel and to competition venues at daily booking rates. To engage their service, you can contact them at Go Sports Venture +60165006427 / gosport.my@gmail.com

2.3 Arena Sukan Kuala Lumpur / SKY Arena

Arena Sports is the largest multi-level and multi-function sports complex in Malaysia with a unique blend of iconic architecture, state-of-the-art sports facilities comprising high-rise residential towers, a boutique hotel, flexible SOHOs and retail outlets.

Located along Jalan Ayer Jerneh in Setapak, the complex was built at a cost of about RM100 million with facilities that include an indoor rock climbing, Olympic-sized swimming pool, diving pool, and a football field with running track and hostel. The complex also has an Olympic sized 8 lane pool with a depth of 2 mts.at the deep end.

The pool specifications of the complex are

Training Pool

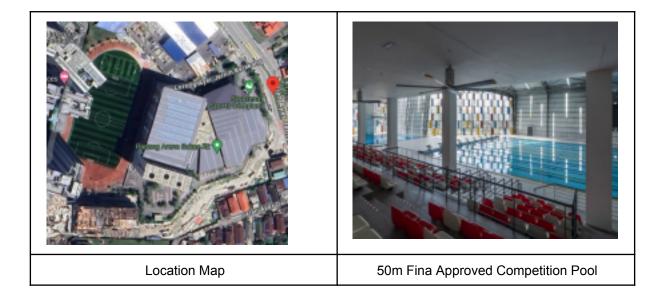
2m (depth) x 25m (Width) x 50m (length)

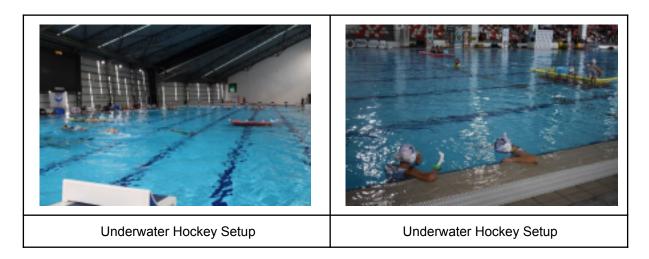
Diving Pool

5m – 7m (Depth) x 20m (Width) x 25m (Length)









There are plenty of nearby places to eat which are within a 400-800 meters walking distance. 1.2km away, there is a shopping mall.

2.4 Visa Requirements

Countries that are required to apply for a visa to enter Malaysia are:

Afghanistan, Angola, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, China, Colombia, Congo Democratic Republic, Congo Republic, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Hong Kong (C.I/D.I), India, Ivory Coast, Kosovo, Liberia, Mali, Montenegro, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Nigeria, Niger, Pakistan, Rwanda, Serbia, Sri Lanka

For more information, visit the Official Portal of the Immigration Department of Malaysia





2.5 Additional Information

The official currency of Malaysia is the Malaysian Ringgit (MYR). Current Exchange rates are €1 is MYR4.65 and USD1 is MYR4.43

Malaysia follows the right-hand drive system.

The metrical measure system is used in Malaysia

Electrical current in Malaysia is 240V, 50Hz, G Plug type which has 3 rectangular pins. The average temperature in July is 29 C° with a relative humidity of 82%

The sun UV is 3-7, fluctuating rapidly due to the cloudy conditions. On a hot day, you will need a sunscreen if you are planning on a long walk outside.

2.6 Web Links

Official Event Website <u>CMAS Website - Underwater Hockey</u> <u>CMAS Portal - To Acquire CMAS Sport License</u> <u>CMAS TV - Livestream</u>





3. Tournament Details

3.1 Programme

		Tournament Day							
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	
		Sun 3 Aug	Mon 4 Aug	Tues 5 Aug	Wed 6 Aug	Thu 7 Aug	Fri 8 Aug	Sat 9 Aug 25	Sun 10 th Aug 25
Organization Logistics	Paid Training sessions	Registration Referees		Round Robin	Round Robin	Round Robin	Quarter -finals & Semi Finals & Playoffs	Finals Medal and Closing Ceremony & Party	Departure
		Fitness Test Team Training Sessions	Round Robin						
		Opening ceremony							

3.2 Rules

The event is organised under the following rules and guidelines:

- <u>CMAS Underwater Hockey Tournament Regulations 01/2025</u>
- CMAS International rules for underwater hockey rules of play Version 13 01/2025
- <u>CMAS Anti-doping</u>
- <u>CMAS Anti-doping Rules 2021</u>
- <u>Conditions to obtain a CMAS Sports License</u>

3.3 Championship Puck

The Turkish Hero Puck is the selected puck for the championship. These pucks can be purchased from the manufacturer using Whatsapp on +90 544 732 93 81.





3.4 Tournament Divisions

3.4.1 - 2025 CMAS 1st Intercontinental Championship Asia/Oceania Underwater Hockey.

The following grades are offered for this tournament and each National Federation can enter a maximum of one team per division.

The divisions are:

- Men's Elite
- Women's Elite
- Master's Men
- Master's Women

The minimum ages are:

Elite 18 years old before 3 August 2025

Master's 33 year old as per the Age Determination calculation

3.4.2 2025 Asian Junior Interclub Cup

The following grades are offered for this tournament

The divisions are:

Under 19 Open

Under 15 Open

The Age Categories are:

Under 19 15-18 inclusive as per the Age Determination calculation

Under 15 10-14 inclusive as per the Age Determination calculation

Each club can enroll as many teams for both grades.

This age category is focused for grassroot development purposes.

A minimum of 1 female player must participate in the game at all times.

Time slots for the Interclub Cup games will be approx 30 mins

3.4.3 Age Determination calculation

The age of a Player is obtained by subtracting the year of birth from the current year. The Player will compete from January 1 to December 31 of the year in this category.

The following table will provide guidance for determination of age categories

Grade	Max Age	Min Age
Elite (Men & Women)	n/a	18
Masters (Men and Women)	n/a	35
Under 19	18	15





Under 15	14	10
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3.5 Player Selection and Replacement

Teams are limited to 12 players and must be selected before the submission of the team list and player profiles on the 30th June 2025. Players may be replaced between the 1st July and tournament registration on medical grounds only. This provision is to limit the increased workload on volunteer organisers.

3.6 Playing Cap and Swimsuit approvals

These requests must be submitted to the Tournament Director by email before 31st May 2025, to: <u>uwh.approvals@sport.cmas.org</u> Please use *Cap and Swimsuit Approval Request* in your email request subject line.

As per Clause 11.2.1

- All players of a team must wear identical bathing attire (cap, suit and/or rash vest and/or shirt), which may have an imprint of their flag or country.
- Each team must have two sets of identical bathing attire, one light in colour (when the team is using white sticks) and one dark in colour (when the team is using black sticks), and
- Both sets need Tournament Director approval prior to arrival at the competition.

Light Colours: White, Yellow, Light Blue, Light Grey, Orange.

Dark Colours: Black, Blue, Royal Blue, Navy Blue, Grey, Brown, Green, Red Cap

Numbers: To assist referees, cap numbers are limited to numbers between 1 and 15.

3.7 Additional Training Space

Teams that wish to arrive earlier than the allocated orientation and training days are welcome to do so on the 1st and 2nd of August 2025. Charges to be paid by the teams are:

- Court price is Euro €75/ MYR350 for 30 minutes per court. Slots are available from 7am to 9pm.
- The schedule can be viewed at <u>COURT BOOKING</u> and to book, please email the LOC directly.
- Times are allocated on a first come first served basis

3.8 Registration and Meetings

Registration, gear check, documents check and delivery of accreditation will be undertaken at the swimming pool venue for all teams. The registration and meeting will take place at the 3rd Floor of Sky Arena Main Hall.

A registration schedule for teams and details of the required documents will be provided to the teams prior to the tournament.





3.9 Opening Ceremony

The opening ceremony will take place on the evening of 3rd August at the Competition Pool. The actual schedule of the opening ceremony will be shared as we approach the event.

3.10 Awards and Closing Ceremony

Awards and closing ceremony of the Championship will be held on the 9th of August at 18:00 p.m. at the Pool at the conclusion of the finals.

3.11 Post Event Celebration

The post event party will commence the night after the closing. More information will be provided nearing the event. Each team will be given 15 entries to the closing party/dinner. Extra entries can be purchased at the event.

3.12 Pool Access

Access to the pool deck during the tournament and as determined by the tournament briefing pack is restricted to players, team management, referees and tournament officials. This will be monitored by the accreditation provided at registration. Only those persons with sports licences will be provided this accreditation. Sports licences need to be purchased by 1 June 2025

Spectator tickets can be purchased at the information table on level 2. Access for spectators is only via level 2 on presentation of a valid ticket/wristband.





4. Officials

4.1 Tournament Officials

Local Organizing Committee Chairman: Roshan Babu Balakrishnan, Malaysia

CMAS UWH Commission Director: Tristan Reynard, New Zealand

CMAS Technical Delegate: Tony Colquhoun, New Zealand

Tournament Referee: TBC

4.2 Referees

Each federation must supply one qualified Level 3 water referee per team up to three referees.

Referees are subject to ratification by the CMAS UWH Commission

Penalty fee for non-supply of referee is 1st referee \in 3,000, 2nd referee \in 2,000 or 3rd referee \in 1,000 i.e. A country sending 2 teams and no referees then the non supply of referee fee will be \in 5,000

The tournament needs approximately 32 suitable water referees to successfully officiate 2 matches at once.

Nominations for referees are to be submitted by 1 March 2025

Federations are welcome to bring additional referees, including experienced Level 2 referees seeking development and experience at an international tournament and they will be part of the referee team and subject to full fitness testing and assessment. These referees will be subject to ratification.

A referee information pack will be available mid January on the Event website.

4.3 Referee Accommodation and Transfers

The cost of Accommodation, food and transport for referees will be covered by the organizer during the length of the event, 2nd – 10th August 2025. Referees arriving earlier will bear the cost of accommodation.





5. Team Entry Fees

5.1 Registration and Participant Profiles

On the tournament website <u>https://www.asiaoceaniauwh2025.com/home_you</u> will find all the forms you need to complete the registration of teams and player profiles. Team managers will receive an email invite to join the Team Managers WhatsApp_group.

5.2 CMAS Sports Licenses

All teams must register for the CMAS championship via the online CMAS administration system at <u>https://portal.cmas.org/</u>.

Your Underwater Federation has the login codes and passwords. The first step is for athletes to create their individual profile and request acceptance from the Federation.

Cost is €12 per sports license.

All athletes are required to have their valid CMAS sports licences in order to be able to enter into the competition area. Sports Licences requests must be applied for via the online CMAS administration system also.

5.3 Tournament Entry Fee

The entry fee is set at €3000 per team (Elite & Masters) and €1500 per team (Under 19 & Under 15). The due date for entry fees is 31st March 2025. The late entry fee is set at €500 per team. No late entry will be accepted after the 1st of June 2024.

Entry Fee Covers:

- Entry to Event
- Welcome Bag (With Sponsor Items)
- Lanyard & ID Tag
- Access to Closing Party (All Sports Licensed Athletes, 1 Coach, 1 Team Manager)
- Hydration
- Ice Bath Pool

The Malaysian banking system imposes high service charges for foreign funds transfer currency exchange and due to the current volatile economy of Malaysia, we recommend sending the exact amount proposed in Malaysia Ringgit if your banking system allows.





Direct Bank Transfer Details

Bank Name: Maybank Islamic Berhad

Bank Account name: Persatuan Hoki Dalam Air Malaysia

Bank Account Number: 5645-4815-4335

Bank Swift Code: MBBEMYKLPJY

Address: 50, Jalan Sultan 52/4, G.Floor, Bandar Baru Petaling Jaya, 46200 Petaling Jaya, Malaysia.

Federation Registration Number: KKUL00007

Email: contact@muha.org.my

Reference: Country <Team Detail> (Example: Malaysia Elite Men)

Tournament Organiser Forms and	Fee			Deadline
Details	Euro	USD	MYR	
Elite & Masters Team Entry Fee (per team)	3000	3500	15000	31st March 2025
Under 19 & Under 15 Team Entry Fee (per team)	1500	2000	7500	31st March 2025
Late entry fee (per team)	3500	4060	17500	From 31st March 2025 to 1st of June 2025
Paid Practice Time (30 minutes per court)	75	90	400	1 st June 2025
Referee Non-Supply - (1st referee €3000, 2nd referee €2000 or 3rd referee €1000)	6000	7000	30000	
Extra Party Ticket	35	38	160	Purchase at Venue
Spectator Ticket (Full Week Pass)	35	38	160	Purchased at Venue

5.4 Summary of Fees





6. Transport and Accommodation

6.1 Transportation

To assist you in your travel planning, Malaysia Underwater Hockey Association has engaged GO Sport Ventures to coordinate and assist you with your Bus/Van charters. Team managers can contact them directly and provide them with your requirements and they will arrange for you the best transport options.

Go Sport Ventures

Email: gosport.my@gmail.com Contact: +6016 5006 427

Full Day Transportation (12 Hours) Bus (30/40) Seater - 250 USD Per Day Van (15/18) Seater - 200 USD Per Day

Transportation For Sightseeing

Based On request

Airport Transfers Bus (30/40) Seaters - 180 USD Per Trip

Pricings Includes

Dedicated Driver Fuel Charges Insurance

Provide your schedule plan and the driver will coordinate the trip for you.

6.2 Accommodation

Kuala Lumpur is the heart of Malaysia which offers every type of accommodation from spas to budget rooms, 5-star hotels to dormitories. Hotels are relatively cheap in Malaysia. You can spend the night in a fine 3- or 4-stars hotel for reasonable prices. The quality of these hotels is always good. **Average Pricing Range**

- 5 Stars 80 Euro Per night
- 4 Stars 60 Euro Per night
- 3 Stars 40 Euro Per Night
- 2 Stars 50 Euro Per Night
- 1 Stars 20 Euro Per Night

We recommend using the <u>Booking.com</u> app to search for your accommodation as there





are many attractive promotions and packages available from time to time.

7. Deadlines & Conditions of Entry

All forms and payment confirmations must be completed on our website. They will get to the Organisers in Malaysia, LOC. Further info : <u>contact@muha.org.my</u>

Tournament Organiser Forms and Details	Deadline	
Team Registration Form - The preliminary declaration of participating teams and their estimated numbers submitted to the Organizing Committee in Malaysia and Tournament Director.	Due 31st March 2025	Via tournament website https://portal.cmas.org/
Fees payment	Due 31st March 2025	Contact LOC at contact@muha.org.my
Referee Nomination	No later than 31 st March 2025	Via referee registration form which will be available 15 January 2025
Purchase of CMAS sports licences for players, coaches, managers and referees	1st June 2025	Via <u>https://portal.cmas.org/</u> website.
Late entry sign up	1st June 2025	Via <u>https://portal.cmas.org/</u> website.
Final Participants' List, - indicating players, referees, coaches, managers, officials, accompanying family members etc., has to be sent to the Organizing Committee	No later than the 30 st June 2025	Via tournament website https://portal.cmas.org/
Appendix 2 Anti-doping acknowledgement. One acknowledgement per player must be submitted to the Organizing Committee.	Hand in at registration	Hardcopy. Word file available for email to athletes and signing.

Note:

In addition to the tournament forms listed above, Federations must purchase CMAS Licenses and CMAS Event Registration as per section 5.2 of the event pack.





Appendix A CMAS Players Anti-doping Acknowledgement

Appendix 2

C.M.A.S. Anti-Doping Rules.

- 1. I consent and agree to comply with and be bound by all of the provisions of the C.M.A.S. Anti-Doping Rules, including but not limited to, all amendments to the Anti-Doping Rules and all International Standards incorporated in the Anti-Doping Rules.
- 2. I acknowledge and agree that [National Federation] and C.M.A.S.] have jurisdiction to impose sanctions as provided in the C.M.A.S. Anti-Doping Rules.
- 3. I also acknowledge and agree that any dispute arising out of a decision made pursuant to the C.M.A.S. Anti-Doping Rules, after exhaustion of the process expressly provided for in the C.M.A.S. Anti-Doping Rules, may be appealed exclusively as provided in Article 14 of the C.M.A.S. Anti Doping Rules to an appellate body for final and binding arbitration, which in the case of C.M.A.S. International-Level Athletes and National-Level Athletes of C.M.A.S. member National Federations, is the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne.
- 4. I acknowledge and agree that the decisions of the arbitral appellate body referenced above shall be final and enforceable, and that I will not bring any claim, arbitration, lawsuit or litigation in any other court or tribunal.
- 5. I have read and understand this Acknowledgement and Agreement.

Signature

Print Name (Last Name, First Name) :

:

Date

CMAS Licence No:

Date of Birth :

Signature (if a minor, signature of legal guardian)

Date :

Name of my NF : Country :