

### Entry Information for **THECHAMPIONSHIP**

Name of event	<b>THECHAMPIONSHIP</b>
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Date and place of the event, travel information	May, 23, 2021 in Samorin, Slovakia For travel information, please visit: <a href="http://www.thechampionship.de">www.thechampionship.de</a>
Eligibility to participate	Athletes will only be eligible to participate if they have: a) a license of national triathlon federation or b) proof of payment of the one-time fee for the foreign participants (without Slovak nationality) according to the STU (Slovak Triathlon Union) Rules One-time fee is in the amount of EUR 10.00 and can be paid online while registering or during collecting the race documents. All participants have to sign at the registration office a " <b>Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnification Agreement</b> ".
Age groups	TM/TW 18 age 18 to 24 TM/TW 25 age 25 to 29 TM/TW 30 age 30 to 34 TM/TW 35 age 35 to 39 TM/TW 40 age 40 to 44 TM/TW 45 age 45 to 49 TM/TW 50 age 50 to 54 TM/TW 55 age 55 to 59 TM/TW 60 age 60 to 64 TM/TW 65 age 65 to 69 TM/TW 70 age 70 to 74 TM/TW 75 age 75 to 79 TM/TW 80 age 80 to 84 TM = triathlete male / TW = triathlete female. The number after the abbreviation indicates the age group.
Categories at <b>THECHAMPIONSHIP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Professional</li><li>• Individual</li><li>• Relay</li><li>• <b>CHALLENGEFAMILY</b> Race Director CHAMPIONSHIP</li></ul>

Individual participants	In accordance with the ITU regulations, participants must reach the <b>age of 18</b> of the year of the competition.
Relay teams	Participants must reach the <b>age of 18</b> of the year of the competition. Each relay team consists of a swimmer, a cyclist and a runner. All-female, all-male and mixed relay teams will be eligible to take part.
Entry fees	EUR 289,- per individual participant EUR 409,- per relay team  Furthermore, the entry fee includes the following services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• gift for participants</li> <li>• participation in carbo party (Pasta party)</li> <li>• swimming cap,</li> <li>• food and drink during and after the race,</li> <li>• traffic control,</li> <li>• security service,</li> <li>• medical service,</li> <li>• medal,</li> <li>• finisher's shirt,</li> <li>• massage service,</li> <li>• online list of results,</li> <li>• including team competition results,</li> <li>• referees and anti-doping tests.</li> </ul>
Methods of payment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only online registration is possible; payment can only be made by credit card</li> </ul>
Additional costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EUR 10,- for a day license for all participants without license of the Slovak Triathlon Union.</li> </ul> <p><u>PASTA PARTY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• for all participants, participation in the carbo party (Pasta party) on Saturday is included in the entry fee.</li> <li>• for accompanying persons tickets are available: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) at EUR 15.00 each at the online registration or at the registration office</li> <li>b) free entry for children under 12 years.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
Registration	Registration can only be accomplished online via homepage with the qualification code - <a href="http://www.thechampionship.de">www.thechampionship.de</a> Any bank fees and fees for online registration services are at the participant's expense. <b>Registration close on Sunday 16 May, 2021 11:59 p.m (local time).</b> <b>Registration on site is not possible.</b>
Further information regarding registration	Registration will only be accepted subject to receipt of payment within 14 days. The organizer is entitled to reject a registration without giving any specific reasons (so-called freedom of contract). If there is a legitimate reason (e. g. if participants are suspected to disturb the race), the organizer reserves the right to subsequently withdraw the registration and to exclude the participant from taking part.

	<p>In addition, in case of any violation of rules, the organizer always has the right to disqualify participants in consultation with the race jury. Other reason for withdrawal of registration are set up in the Agreement.</p> <p>Swapping start places/numbers is generally excluded for individual participants. In any case of contravention, a lifelong prohibition from participation in <b>THECHAMPIONSHIP</b> and all other <b>CHALLENGEFAMILY</b> Events will be imposed on both participants.</p>
Withdrawal of registration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registration can only be withdrawn via the Withdrawal Form on our homepage at <a href="http://www.thechampionship.de">www.thechampionship.de</a> or at <a href="mailto:thechampionship@challenge-family.com">thechampionship@challenge-family.com</a></li> <li>a) cancellation/withdrawal until 31.12.2020: 80% refund from entry fee</li> <li>b) cancellation/withdrawal until 31.01.2021: 50% refund from entry fee</li> <li>c) cancellation/withdrawal until 28.02.2021: 30% refund from entry fee</li> <li>d) after 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021 entry fees will no longer be reimbursed.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No explanation or medical certification is necessary for cancellation</li> <li>• After cancellation, it is not possible to transfer your payment to another participant or race.</li> </ul>
Rules	<p><b>THECHAMPIONSHIP</b> confirms to the rules and regulations by the International Triathlon Union (ITU).  <a href="https://www.triathlon.org/images/uploads/ituevents_competition-rules-2010_2010-02-11.pdf">https://www.triathlon.org/images/uploads/ituevents_competition-rules-2010_2010-02-11.pdf</a></p> <p>Exception:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The drafting zone at <b>THECHAMPIONSHIP</b> is 20m long (front wheel of the leading participant to the front wheel of the overtaking participant) and 3m wide.</li> <li>• If the participant enters the draft zone the overtaking maneuver must be progressed within 40 seconds.</li> <li>• The families of the participants are allowed to cross the finish line with the participant.</li> </ul>
Distances / Course details	<p>Swim 1,9km (1 Loop):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start at Čilistov Lagoon, next to X - BIONIC® SPHERE; at the main channel of the Danube</li> <li>• Warm-up area immediately next to the starting line</li> <li>• Estimated water temperature 16-18°C</li> <li>• Danube open flow (Gabčíkovo Dam)</li> </ul> <p>Bike 90 km (1 Loop):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drafting is prohibited! The drafting zone at <b>THECHAMPIONSHIP</b> is 20m long (front wheel of the leading participant to the front wheel of the overtaking participant) and 3m wide.</li> <li>• If the participant enters the draft zone the overtaking maneuver must be progressed within 40 seconds.</li> <li>• Drafting violation (blue card) is punishable by 5 minutes in the penalty box.</li> <li>• Blocking is prohibited! Blocking violation (yellow card) is punishable by 1 minute in the penalty box.</li> <li>• On the bike course, the road traffic regulations are binding!</li> <li>• Refreshment zones every 25 km</li> <li>• All riders are required to wear bicycle helmets</li> </ul>

	<p>Run 21,1km (3 loops):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Surface – cobblestone, asphalt, sand surface (compact base used in show jumping and horse races)</li> <li>• Route marked for competitors – every kilometer begun</li> <li>• Navigation by GPS</li> <li>• Refreshment zones every 2 km</li> </ul>
Time limit / Cut off	<p><u>Time limit / Cut Off times</u></p> <p>Swimming: 1 hours 00 minutes  Swimming + cycling: 5 hours 30 minutes  Swimming + cycling + running: 8 hours 00 minutes</p>
Time-keeping	All participants will receive a timing chip from the organization. After the race you have to bring the timing chip to the bike check out to receive your bike.
Medical service	Medical service and all contact information will be available upon registration at site.
Sanitary facilities	<p>Toilets are located at the swim start, transition zone, all aid stations and at the finish-line area.</p> <p>Shower facilities are located near the finish-line area, within the X-BIONIC RESORT.</p>
Food and drink	<p>Aid stations are always located at the same distances and offer food and drink in the same order:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• bike course: approx. every 25 km</li> <li>• run course: approx. every 2 km</li> <li>• finish-line area</li> <li>• participants can bring their own food and drink and ask accompanying people to pass them the food and drink at a special area at the first aid station (only on the run course). The special needs aid station is marked on the run course map.</li> </ul> <p>Every participant asked to organize the provision of their own food and drink with the help of accompanying persons. The race organizer does not assume any responsibility for this private service.</p> <p>Details regarding the aid stations and the food and drink that are offered there are included in the Race Regulations.</p>
Start times and finish closing time	<p>The race will be started in several start groups, beginning at 9:00 a.m.</p> <p>The last start group is reserved for relay teams and the <b>CHALLENGEFAMILY</b> Race Director Championship.</p> <p>The exact allocation of start groups, including start times of the groups will be included in the Race Regulations.</p> <p><b><u>Finish closing time:</u></b> Depending on last finisher, latest 06:30 p.m.</p>
Collecting the start documents	<p>Thursday, May 20 between 03:00 p.m. and 06:00 p.m.</p> <p>Friday, May 21 between 11:00 a.m. and 06:00 p.m.</p> <p>Saturday, May 22 between 9:00 a.m. and 05:00 p.m.</p> <p><i>* Detailed information will follow a few weeks before the race</i></p>

	<p><b>Attention:</b> Please bring your identity card, start pass of your national federation (license) and your start number when collecting your start documents.</p>
Check-in and check-out times for bikes and participants' bags	<p><u>Bike and Bike Helmet check-in:</u> Saturday, May 22 near the Farrier's restaurant in the X-BIONIC SPHERE between 04:00 p.m. and 06:00 p.m.</p> <p><b><u>NO BIKE CHECK IN ON SUNDAY</u></b></p>
Race Briefing	<p><b>Is strongly recommended for all participants and obligatory for Pro Athletes. Race Briefing for participants/Pro Athletes</b></p> <p><i>* Detailed information will follow a few weeks before the race</i></p> <p><b>Race Briefing for Age Group Athletes</b></p> <p>It will take place on Saturday, May 22, 2021 at the Congress room Victory</p> <p><i>* Detailed information will follow a few weeks before the race</i></p>
Award ceremony	<p><b>THECHAMPIONSHIP</b> award ceremony takes place on Sunday, May 23, at 07:30 p.m.</p>
Prize money for professional athletes	<p>The following minimum amounts of prize money are guaranteed for the first ten professional female and male athletes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. place EUR 30,000.00</li> <li>2. place EUR 15,000.00</li> <li>3. place EUR 8,000.00</li> <li>4. place EUR 6,500.00</li> <li>5. place EUR 5,000.00</li> <li>6. place EUR 3,500.00</li> <li>7. place EUR 2,500.00</li> <li>8. place EUR 2,000.00</li> <li>9. place EUR 1,500.00</li> <li>10. place EUR 1,000.00</li> </ol> <p>In total EUR 150,000.00</p> <p>The prize money shall be paid as the (negative) results of the drug testing are published. Prize money are subject of withholding tax, so all amounts will be decreased of amount represented respective withholding tax.</p> <p>Price money will only be paid to top ten finishers, who can provide a pro license when they collect their start documents. A "move-up procedure" is not in charge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Permanent residents of the Slovak Republic are subject to withholding tax of 19% if the amount won is greater than € 350.</b></li> <li>• <b>19%</b> - competitors permanently residing in the following countries (Austria, Armenia, Australia, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Kuwait, Lithuania, Latvia, Libya, Luxemburg, Malaysia, Macedonia, Montenegro,</li> </ul>

	<p>Malta, Mexico, Moldova, Mongolia, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Singapore, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Taiwan, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, United Arab Emirates (UAE), United Kingdom, Ukraine, USA, Uzbekistan, Vietnam)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>35% - competitors permanently residing in all other countries</b></li> <li>• Prize money will be paid directly in favor of the bank accounts. It is necessary for pro athletes to complete an entry form and <i>Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnification Agreement (General Terms and Conditions for Participants)</i> with contact and bank information, which will be available at the registration office.</li> </ul>
Non-cash prizes (individual and relay)	<p>All individual participants who finish the competition within the time limit of 8 hours, will receive the official <b>THECHAMPIONSHIP</b> finisher's shirt and medal.</p> <p>All relay participants whose relay team finishes the competition within the time limit of 8 hours, will receive a special finisher's shirt and medal.</p>
Special prizes (individual and relay)	<p>Athletes who reach the 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> place of each age group (female and male), will receive trophies.</p> <p>Teams or relay teams who reach the 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> place (female, male and mixed), will receive trophies.</p> <p>All age group winner of <b>THECHAMPIONSHIP</b> 2021 will be qualified for <b>THECHAMPIONSHIP</b> 2022.</p>
Personal responsibility of participants for technical safety of equipment	<p><b>Each participant is responsible for the technical safety of their equipment and is to make sure that the equipment is in line with the rules.</b></p>
Closing Provisions	<p>The triathlons will be held on the scheduled date, regardless of the prevailing weather conditions.</p> <p>The triathlon organizer reserves the right to change rules, regulations, locations and the timing of the triathlon.</p> <p>In order for the triathlons to run smoothly, competitors will be receiving news of interest regularly from the organizer.</p> <p>Organizers reserves the right to implement an emergency plan in the interest of the competitors' safety. At the same time, it assumes no responsibility for any possible consequences or impact resulting from the implementation of the plan. If the emergency plan remains in effect, the organizer has the right to cancel the event without refunding registration fees to the participants.</p> <p>Any dispute will be considered and resolved by the Referees Committee.</p> <p>The triathlon organizer will provide an interpretation of the rules in the case of contentious issues and all competitors are governed and bound during the entire triathlon by instructions from the organizer.</p> <p>It is important for all competitors to recognize the principle of FAIR PLAY during the triathlons and not to have their behavior threaten themselves or anyone else participating in them.</p>

The organizing committee, including volunteers, will be monitoring the behavior of competitors during the race and violations will result in disqualification.

Any protests must be submitted to the Referees Committee either within two hours of having been disqualified from the race or at latest two hours after the event ends. A fee of € 50 is required to be paid in order to submit a protest, which will be returned if the protest is acknowledged, but will be retained by the race organizer in the event of an unsuccessful challenge.

When using public roads during the race, participants will follow the organizer's instructions and those given by the police. Any disregard of these rules will result in the competitor's immediate disqualification. The race director and route referees have the right to disqualify any competitor with immediate effect.

Please comply with traffic rules during the entire triathlon as some of sections of the route will also be open to the public. Even when the route is closed to traffic, please remember to give first aid, police and the organizer's vehicles access.

Competitors that fall from their bicycles are required to move to the shoulder of the road so as not to endanger other riders.

The rescue service and the organizer's healthcare staff have the competence to evaluate the condition of any competitor and decide on their ability to continue in the race. Their decision is final. Unless the health service allows a participant to continue, they will be eliminated from the race.

The use of any painkillers, performance enhancing drugs or doping methods is prohibited. The triathlon organizer has the right anytime to test competitors for the presence of prohibited substances. A positive test means immediate disqualification.

These triathlons are governed by the rules of the International Triathlon Union and are in accordance with the approved description of them.

Any decision by a competitor to withdraw from a triathlon should be communicated to a route marshal as soon as possible.

During the triathlon's competitors will not be permitted to use hand-free mobile phones, MP3 players or any other types of these devices.

Competitors are not allowed to compete with a bare midriff or no shirt.

Race numbers must remain visible during the entire triathlon.

Every competitor agrees to follow the predetermined route and in their own interest to remain on the marked route.

All competitors are required to attend mandatory instructional meetings and to register at set intervals.

Participants are required to mount their bicycles at the stands assigned to them by a specified time limit.

The organizer reserves the right to check compliance with all rules.

	<p>In case of force majeure, or other circumstances which for objective reasons do not allow the organization of the event, or circumstances that may affect the health and safety of athletes, and in case that the athlete refuses the possibility to postpone his/her registration for a later date (within 1 year latest), the athlete is entitled to 70% refund of the registration fee only.</p> <p>No cancellation policy is applicable to postponed registration. No reimbursement is applicable to postponed registration.</p>
General Terms and Conditions	<a href="https://thechampionship.de/race-information/waiver-rules/">https://thechampionship.de/race-information/waiver-rules/</a>