# MODERN PENTATHLON EUROPEAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 2021



# INVITATION LETTER

Dear Friends,

The European Confederation of Modern Pentathlon and Pentathlon Suisse have the pleasure of inviting a delegation of your country to participate in <u>the European Junior Championships 2021</u> to be held in Bern, Switzerland, from 28 June to 4 July 2021. The planned programme is as follows:

- 28 June: Arrival of Delegations, Technical Meeting (TM)
- 29 June: Mixed Relay, TM Each country may nominate one (1) mixed team
- 30 June: Women's Relay + Men's Relay, TM
- 1 July: Men's Qualification, TM
- 2 July: Women's Qualification, TM
- 3 July: Men's Final
- 4 July: Women's Final
- 5 July: Departure of Delegations

Note: detailed timings for each day will be provided once the final registration is closed.

*Competition Rules* The competition will be carried out according to UIPM Rules.

Competition Venues (all within 5 minutes of walking, except Swimming) Swimming: 25m indoor swimming pool / 5 lanes (Scheibenstrasse 65, 3014 Bern) Fencing: 10 pistes (Papiermühlestrasse 13, 3014 Bern) Horse riding: a riding course of 400m length with 10 to12 obstacles (Mingerstrasse 3, 3014 Bern) Laser Run: greenfield, 36+2 precision laser targets (Papiermühlestrasse 13, 3014 Bern)

# Transfer

All teams are met at Airport Bern-Belp (BRN), Bern Railway Station and/or at the Accreditation Center in the hotel. LOC guarantees transportation from the national airport Bern-Belp (BRN) and the Railway Station in Bern to the official hotels and the return journey.

Private transfers by car or other means from other airports have to be arranged and borne by the teams themselves. Transfer from/to the airports Zurich, Geneva and Euroairport Basel-Mulhouse are easily done by direct trains: <u>www.sbb.ch</u> (approx. €100 与).

Please note that the Technical Meeting, Accreditation Office and LOC Office will all be located in the Hotel Novotel Bern Expo (Guisanplatz 2, 3014 Bern).





## Transport within Bern City

Local transportation to/from competition venues: Only if the distance between the venue and the hotel or between two venues is more than 1 km (only swimming venue). Included in the Hotel arrangement is "Bern Ticket", a free pass for public transportation within city borders.

#### Financial conditions

For delegations (athletes, coaches, officials, supporters) reserving the accommodation package, the prices are as follows (per person per night):

https://all.accor.com/de/city/hotels-	Novotel Bern	IBIS Bern	IBIS Budget Bern
bern-v0398.shtml	Expo ****	Expo **	Expo*
Single room	€200	€160	€140
Double room/triple room	€160	€140	€120
Registration after Mai 8, 2021	+ €10 p/p p/n	+ €10 p/p p/n	+€10 p/p p/n

The price is indicated per person and includes accommodation, full board accommodation (3 meals a day), local (public) transport from/to the event venues and regular shuttles to/from the swimming venue. The three different hotels are located next to each other. The number of available single rooms is limited – bookings will be taken on a first come first served basis. If your first choice is no longer available, you will be notified. Check-out is **12.00 am** in all hotels. Late check-outs have to be arranged through the LOC, as well as additional nights before or after the event and/or further meals which will incur extra costs for the delegations.

Delegations wishing to arrange their own accommodation must pay an accreditation fee per member of the delegation (athlete, coach or official) to the LOC. The amount of the accreditation fee is set at €100 per day per person with a minimum of €300 (3 days). This fee includes hot lunches and hot dinners on competition days, access to official venues and transportation between the official competition hotel and the swimming venue competition site.

By 8 May 2021, a **non-refundable** 30 percent deposit must be sent to the LOC. The receipt of the money will be acknowledged with the invoice for the remainder of the total cost for your delegation. The full bill has to be settled by 22 May 2021.

Bank details	
Bank Name + Address:	Valiant AG, Bahnhofplatz 7, CH-3001 Bern, Switzerland
IBAN:	CH53 0630 0505 6876 1451 3 (€)
BIC/Swift code:	VABECH22XXX
Account name:	Pentathlon Suisse, Brunnadernrain 3, CH-3006 Bern, Switzerland
Payment reference:	Your NF/Nation Country Code

The payee will be responsible for all bank charges incurred by Pentathlon Suisse for bank transfers and must select this option when making the payment. Extra charges will be invoiced and must be paid in cash (Euro on arrival).





Cancellations of participation after 22 June 2021 and no-shows will be charged at €200 per head to the account of the NF.

Registration opens on 1 March 2021 and remains open until 22 May 2021. All information, including travel information (flight, train, car), accommodation bookings, etc. must be submitted by 22 May 2021. Any changes thereafter must be sent by email to the LOC.

Following closure of the registration system on 22 May 2021, a NF must enter the competition with at least one pentathlete/team per confirmed gender or Mix Relay. Any failure of participation after having sent their final entries will cost a fine of 600 EUR.

We would appreciate an early indication of your intentions by 1 April 2021, without obligation, also possible by simple email to <u>office@pentathlonsuisse.ch</u>. This would facilitate our planning and limit our financial risks especially in times of COVID-19.

#### Visas and vaccination

The LOC cannot accept responsibility for arranging visas but can provide specific letters of invitation if needed. Please confirm visa or vaccination requirements with your nearest Embassy or Consulate well in time prior to registration.

## COVID-19

The LOC is committed to take all preventive measures against COVID-19 infection during the competition time, following all recommendations from both the local governments and the UIPM (<u>https://www.uipmworld.org/covid-19-information</u>). Information on the Covid-19 tests needed to enter Switzerland and arrangements for participating in the competition will be provided later, according to the most recent national health authorities requirements. Please follow the actual Covid-19 situation and requirements on the official website:

https://www.bag.admin.ch/bag/en/home/krankheiten/ausbrueche-epidemien-pandemien/aktuelleausbrueche-epidemien/novel-cov/empfehlungen-fuer-reisende/quarantaene-einreisende.html, available in English. FOPH list of risk countries: this section gives you a **current overview** of areas and/or countries from where travelers need to present a negative COVID-19 PCR test (conducted less than 72h previously) when entering Switzerland

(https://www.bag.admin.ch/bag/en/home/krankheiten/ausbrueche-epidemien-pandemien/aktuelleausbrueche-epidemien/novel-cov/empfehlungen-fuer-reisende/liste.html#858610174).

#### Deadlines

Deadlines are as follows:

Form A: Form B: Form C: Deadline to send 30% deposit: Closure of Registration: Full Payment: 15 April 2021 8 Mai 2021 22 Mai 2021 8 May 2021. 22 May 2021. 22 May 2021.





Registration requires the full set of documentation for the whole delegation. Lack of information on the delegations or non-payment of the deposit will result in the cancellation of the registration.

#### Athletes Licenses

Registration is not possible without a UIPM License Number. If an athlete does not have a license, they will not be allowed to take part in the competition.

## Insurance

According to UIPM Rules all members of attending delegations should insure themselves against the risks of accidental injury or illness. The organizer will not accept any responsibility, financial or other, for injury or illness of any member of the delegation or any loss or theft. Switzerland recognises the EU Health Insurance Card EHIC. More information can be found on <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=559&langId=en">https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=559&langId=en</a>.

All athletes are kindly requested to wear their official national uniform during the competition.

Please do not hesitate to contact the LOC directly for local information and questions. Email: <u>office@pentathlonsuisse.ch</u>.

We look forward to seeing you in Bern in June 2021!

Best regards,

Pentathlon Suisse

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Peter Burger, President



