



CHALLENGE
GALLIPOLI

ATHLETE GUIDE

Introduction

Dear Triathletes,

Welcome to Challenge Gallipoli 2025, held on the Gallipoli Peninsula. In world war history, it has a place of historical significance where legendary acts of heroism took place during the battle of Gallipoli.

Besides natural beauties, Gallipoli has a challenging course with elevations and it will offer triathletes an unforgettable experience that will stay with them for years to come.

We are happy and proud of welcoming the bests under the challenge Family brand.

During the race, the Hellespont and historical monuments will accompany the athletes in Challenge Gallipoli. It is the most prestigious sports organization to take place on an international stage.

We are excited for this race, which means that building a bridge with sport between past and today.

We would like to thank the Çanakkale Governorship, the Çanakkale Wars Gallipoli Historical Site Directorate and our sponsors for their contributions to the organization.

We are waiting for you in Gallipoli to capture the unifying spirit of sports on and off the track, to sweat and in a word, to share the moment.

Bayram Yalçınkaya

President of Türkiye Triathlon Federation



The struggle in Çanakkale in 1915 is undoubtedly the sole example of the Turkish nation's awakening, revival, and rise, marked by determination, patriotism, national stance, perseverance, resolve, faith, heroism, humanity, and character. Çanakkale, with these attributes, is an epic story engraved in the conscience of all our citizens. The belief in liberation fused with patriotism at every battlefield and trench, forming an unbreakable wall against the enemy. Çanakkale is the legacy of Mustafa Kemal Atatürk's soldiers who were ordered not to fight but to die, the legacy of Koca Seyit, Yahya Çavuş, and Hüseyin Avni, where unparalleled tales of bravery were written.



A century later, we continue our efforts with the principle and vision to embed the "Spirit of Çanakkale," the homeland struggle given by our glorious ancestors against the Great Powers, in our hearts and to manage all the work in the area in a unified manner by preserving the natural texture of this historical site, which holds a significant place in our country's cultural and historical heritage. Our mission is to transform the Historical Area, where the Battle of Çanakkale was fought, into an open-air museum, preserving and developing its spiritual, historical, cultural, and natural values, alongside the veteran villages, with a sense of responsibility towards the future and a universal perspective. Guided by the vision that the Spirit of Çanakkale, a symbol of our unity and solidarity, will endure as it did in the past, we have been tirelessly working for the Historical Area since the day we assumed office.

In the past ten years, our Presidency has hosted numerous national and international events in the Historical Area; revived martyrs' cemeteries, trenches, redoubts, and monuments in the Historical Area; completed the restoration works of Kilitbahir Castle, Bigalı Castle, and Seddülbahir Castles, achieving significant success both nationally and internationally. Our Presidency has conducted and led many academic studies; established the Çanakkale Wars Research Center, which serves all our citizens. Additionally, the museums within the Historical Area have been made functional, and many new museums have been opened to serve the visitors of the Historical Area. The "shipwrecks," which sank during the fierce battles in Çanakkale and were closed to diving for many years, have been opened to diving and history enthusiasts under the Gallipoli Historical Underwater Park after extensive efforts.

Besides the countless infrastructure and superstructure works undertaken for the revival of the Historical Area, our Presidency places great importance on sporting activities within the Historical Area. Every year in the Historical Area, our Presidency hosts various sports and related competitions and events, such as international marathons, walking events, international swimming races, cycling, national motorcycle rides, international equestrian endurance races, camping and scouting activities, amateur and professional diving sports. This year will be the first time we will host the triathlon races, organized nationally in the Historical Area for the past three years, at an international level. As the Presidency, we are excited and pleased to host such an event. We wish you a successful race, spending quality time in this geography, which has been turned into a living open-air museum in every season and under every condition, with its historical, spiritual, and natural fabric. With my respect and love.

İsmail Kaşdemir

Director of Çanakkale War Historical Site

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Team CHALLENGE GALLIPOLI 2025

Name-Surname	FUNCTION
Caner Algün	Race Director
Eray Yücel	Race Coordinator
Oktay Arıkan	Bike Course Leader
Oğuz Koç	Event Venue Operation
Utku Mehmet Dikmen	Swim Course Leader
Mertcan Uşen	Swim Course Assistant
Bulut Çam	Swim Course Assistant
Mahmut Terece	Transition Area Leader
Mehmet Oruç	Bike Course Assistant
Ege Yılmaz	Bike Course Leader
Aslı Cevher	Volunteer Leader
Elçin Özgür	Registration / Finish Line Leader
Maryna Algün	Registration / Finish Line Assistant
Mustafa Maviş	Bike Course Assistant
Ramazan Bedir	Run Course Assistant
Furkan Yaşar	Transition Area Assistant
Emre Can Direk	Equipment Supervisor Assistant
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Contact Information

Local Organizing Committee

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What	Phone number
For all emergency situations number	112

Transfers and Taxi

What	Phone number
ISTANBUL Airport Taxi	+90 850 780 7734
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Gelibolu Taxi	0 (286) 566 31 31

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What	Phone number
Çanakkale Airport	+90 (286) 213 10 21
Istanbul Airport	444 1 442

For questions about your flight or onboard services, please contact your airline.

General Information

Introduction

This Athlete Guide is important for preparing for your race. The most important parts of this guide are:

- Contact information
- General event information
- Pre-Race information
- Race information
- After Race information
- Supporters It is strongly recommended to you to watch the race briefing onsite. This is where the most up-to-date information about the course and about the rules and guidelines is provided

Schedule

02.05.2025 FRIDAY

Time	Action	Place
13.00 - 17.00	Registration and Race kit Distrub.	Venue

03.05.2025 SATURDAY

Time	Action	Place
07.00 - 07.45	Sprint Race Transition Area Check-In	Venue
08.00	Sprint Race Start	Venue
10.00	Sprint Race Cut off	Venue
10.00	Race Briefing Online	Youtube
10.30	Kids Run	Venue
12.00 - 18.00	Registration and Race kit Distrub.	Venue

04.05.2025 SUNDAY

Time	Action	Place
05.00 - 07.15	Transition Area open and Bike Check-in	Venue
07.30	Race Start	Venue
09.00	Swim Cut-off	Venue
10.00	Bike Course First Section Cut-Off	Youtube
13.00	Bike Course Cut-Of	Venue
15.30	Race Cut-Off	Venue
17.00	Medal Ceremony	Venue

Venue Map

Location for Registration, race pack distribution, transition area is **Küçüksu Çayırı**.



Expo

During the Challenge Gallipoli 2025 there will be an expo. This Expo is located at the event venue as seen on the venue map. Several brands and suppliers will be present with a booth. You can contact all these brands with your questions about their latest products, which in many cases you can also test and/ or purchase. Have fun!

Opening hours: Saturday: 10.00-19.30 Sunday: 05.30-17.00

Bike Repair and Maintenance Service

Shimano is the official partner of the Türkiye Triathlon Federation. They will be present at the Expo area with a high-quality service. A bike mechanic will be present when you check-in your bike. Pumps will be available in the Transition Area. There will be Shimano neutral support on the course by motorcycle but it is still important to bring your own tools.

Shimano has the right to charge a fee for every transaction it makes.

For athletes who want to be informed in advance about processes such as opening and assembling a bicycle package, or who have any mechanical problems:

Contact person: Mustafa Şirin
WhatsApp: +90 505 703 55 80

For athletes who want to rent a bicycle in advance, contact information is:

Ata Bike Shop WhatsApp Contact: +90 554 340 65 75
Ata Bike Shop Email Contact: info@atabisiklet.com

SHIMANO

Massage and Medical Information

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After the race, on 4th of May, there will also be an opportunity for you to get a massage at the recovery area.

Medical

If you will need medical support on the course, please report to a Technical Official or a volunteer. The medical service has the right to refer the participants to the hospital.

Insurance

Participants in the event certify that they have their own liability, accident and health insurance with the necessary coverage for their participation in the event. LOC declines all responsibility in case of accident, fall, loss, theft, etc. PLEASE NOTE: Athletes are required to have health insurance for medical expenses.

Hospital information

On race day, hospitals will be ready for medical support at the nearest race area. **Eceabat Devlet Hastanesi**

Nutrition

WUP is the official nutrition partner of Türkiye Triathlon Federation. On the run course aid station there will be Wup Gel with caffeine and Water Up Isotonic for runners. For more information about the product, you can visit WUP.



Rules and Regulations

Challenge Gallipoli is sanctioned by the World Triathlon Competition Rules. It is the athlete’s responsibility to be familiar with the competition rules.

Uniform Rules

1. All athletes competing in the World Triathlon Events are required to wear their uniform conforming to the World Triathlon Guidelines Regarding Authorized Identification,
2. The World Triathlon Guidelines Regarding Authorized Identification set the space limitation on the athletes’ uniforms to include commercial logos,
3. Athletes must follow the following rules with respect to wearing uniforms:
 - a. Athletes must wear the uniform during the entire competition and award ceremony. Long sleeves and long pants are allowed for the award ceremony,
 - b. The uniform must cover the whole torso in the front. The back may be uncovered from the waist up,
 - c. Age-Group athletes and para triathletes may wear uniforms with sleeves that extend to above the elbow and not covering the elbow in any distance competition.
4. Arm covers or long sleeves may be used, except during the swim,
5. A one-piece uniform is preferred. If a two-piece uniform is used, both pieces must overlap and no torso must be visible during the entire competition,
6. The uniform must be worn over both shoulders while the athlete is on the Field of Play,
7. For reasons of religion, athletes are allowed to have the body totally covered (except the face).

Cards

Cards	Challenge Gallipoli 2025
Yellow card	15 seconds time penalty
Blue card	2 minutes time penalty *
Red card	Disqualification

(*) 3 blue cards = Disqualification

Organizations, or any other organization promoting Events in triathlon. Further info on Anti-Doping Rules can be found [HERE](#).

Water Quality

The swim will take place at Eceabat. Exact details on the water quality will be available soon.

Swim Familiarizations

You can swim at any time at the Swim Familiarization on Saturday, taking your own precautions and under your own responsibility on the course that will be set up.

Bike Familiarization

There won't be Bike course familiarizations, but the roads are open to public use. You can train on the course at your own risk. Please respect the road rules!

Run Familiarization

There won't be run course familiarizations, but the roads are open to public use. You can train on the course at your own risk.

Registration & Package Pick-up

Only registered athletes are allowed to pick up their package at the designated time. First show your ID card, license and the active.com confirmation email that will be resent/sent in the days before the event. Athletes **who don't have a license given by Türkiye Triathlon Federation** have to get a day license before race kit pick-up. One member of the team can collect other team members' race kits by showing other members' licenses.

Please Note: Foreign athletes can obtain a daily sports license for a fee of **15€**, while Turkish citizens can participate with a license from the Turkish Triathlon Federation (TTF). Foreign athletes with a temporary Republic of Türkiye identification number can obtain the TTF license for free from the Provincial Directo-rates of Youth and Sports.

ATTENTION: **Please keep your proof of identity and possibly a federation license at hand. There is no package pick up on race day!**

Date	From	Until	Event	Location
02.05.2025 Friday	13.00	17.00	Registration and Race kit Distrub.	Venue
03.05.2025 Saturday	12.00	18.00	Registration and Race kit Distrub.	Venue

Briefings

The race briefing will be broadcast on the Türkiye Triathlon Federation's YouTube page at 12:00 PM. Ath-letes with questions can leave a comment under the video. Questions will be answered by officials in the comments section from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM and 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Saturday, June 1st, 2024.

Timing

During the race, your split times are recorded with a MyLaps ProChip by the Turkish Triathlon Federation Timing Team. This is attached to a soft strap and fastened. The chip must be worn on the left ankle during all parts of the race. MyLaps ProChip is supplied as standard when registering. You will receive the chip in your race equipment envelope on Saturday, 1th of June during the registration and race pack pick-up.

NOTE: You must hand in your chip at the finish line. If the chip is returned to another location or if the chip is lost, an amount of 50 euros will be charged.

Race Pack

During the registration procedure you will receive all race items you need during the race day: Check out the diagram below whether these items are actually present and report any deviations to the registration desk.

Items		Comments	
Stickers 3x helmet 1x bicycle 1x bag 1x reserve	1 set	Helmet: front and sides Bicycle: seat post under the saddle	
Swimming cap	1x	Mandatory during swim segment. The swim cap placed in your race packet must be worn during the swim. Numbers must face the right and be clearly visible at all times.	
Drop off Bags			
Envelops	1x		
Accreditation	Wrist band	No access to the venue without it	
Body stickers	4x	2 arms / 2 legs	
Safety pins	Opt.		

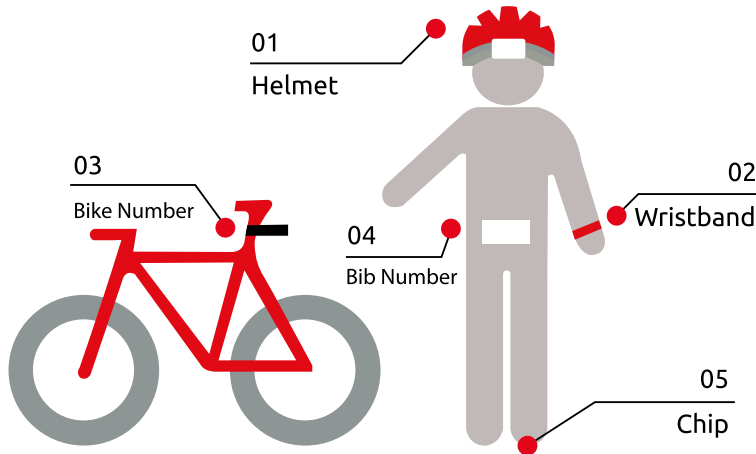
Note: Note: The materials shown in the photo are only examples and can be different from actual race equipment

Drop off the bags

At registration you will receive a bag. This bag will only be used for your after -race needs. This is where you put clean, dry clothes and other things you need after the finish. You hand in this bag just before the start at the swim start area just before the entrance to the starting areas. Only bags distributed during check-in with a race number sticker on will be accepted. Loose bags are removed. Handing in a bicycle pump in the bag is FORBIDDEN. Leaving it behind is at your own risk. After the race, the bags are available in the recovery area.

STICKERS

To be placed according picture BEFORE Check in



Bike and gear check-in

Location: Transition Area

Date and time: Saturday May 3, 2025 - 12.30 - 18.00

Bring over:

- Helmet with sticker, on your head
- Bike with sticker – please note there is no bike check-in on race day
- Wetsuit and Trisuit (you can bring race day)

All of the above, except your uniform, wetsuit/trisuit, must remain in the transition area. Timing Chips are included in the Competition Essentials Envelope and will be distributed at registration & race kit distribution on Saturday at a given time on schedule. Bike covers are allowed at night unless the wind condition prohibits it.

Race Day Information

Cut-off times

Swim Cut Off	Bike Course First Section Cut-Off	Bike Cut Off	Race Cut Off
09:00 A.M	10:00 A.M	1:00 P.M	3:30 P.M

Race Day Transition Check-in (NO BIKE CHECK-IN)

Bicycles are NOT allowed in the transition area on race morning. You may not remove your bike from the transition area before the start of the bike portion of the race. Bicycle technicians and bicycle pumps will be available in the transition area on race morning.

On the race day, a final check of the uniform (trisuit) and wetsuit will take place upon arrival in the transition area. Before last-minute preparations you have access to the transition area. It is recommended that you bring any food items you wish to bring with you on the morning of the race and add them to your transition bags rather than leaving them overnight

Location: Transition Area, Venue (Tarihi Alan Başkanlığı National Park)

Date and time: Saturday May 3, 2025 - 12.30 - 18.00

- Swimming equipment
- Uniform and body decals check
- Timing chip
- Street wear bag
- All food/liquid that you want to leave on the bike

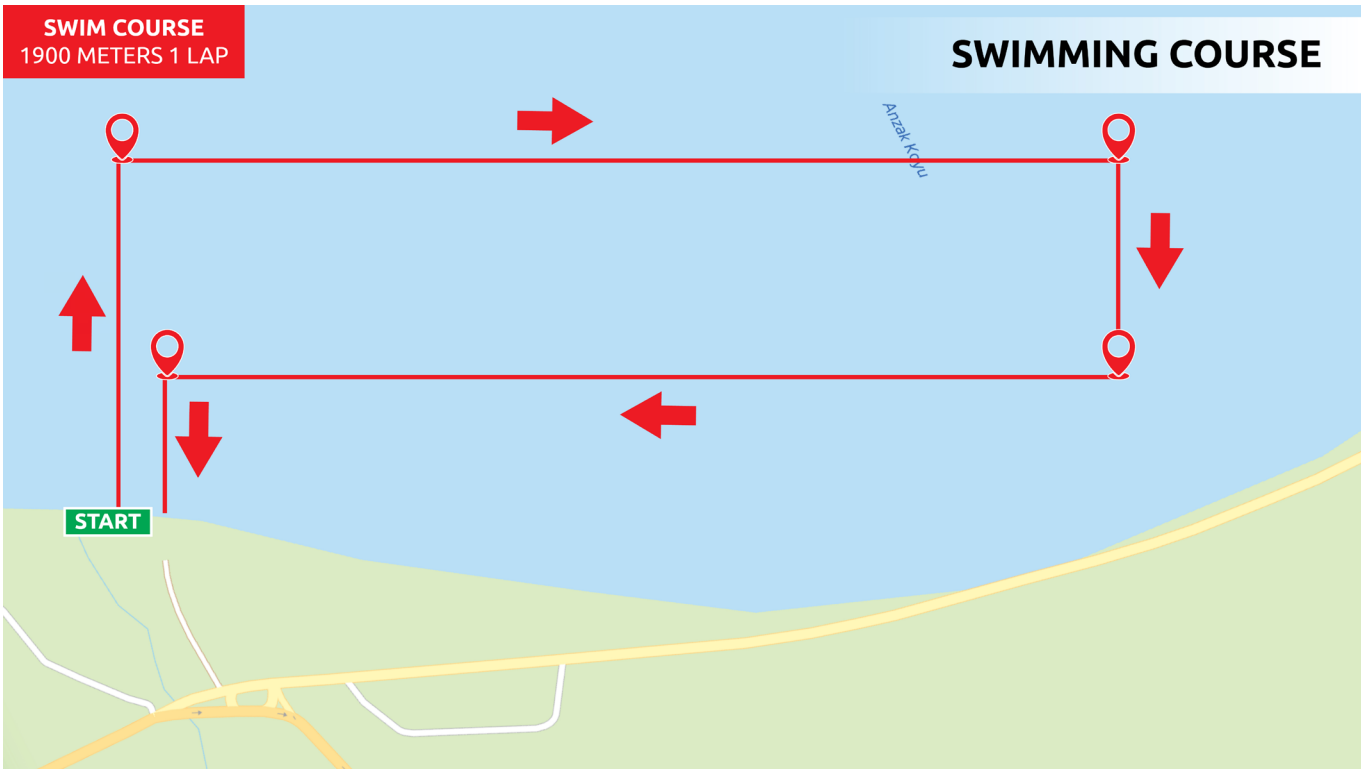
Age-Group athletes must deposit their streetwear bag at the drop area near the starting area. Only registered athletes with wristbands or accreditation cards are allowed to enter the transition area.

The courses

Swim : 1 lap - 1,9km

Bike : 1 lap - 90 km

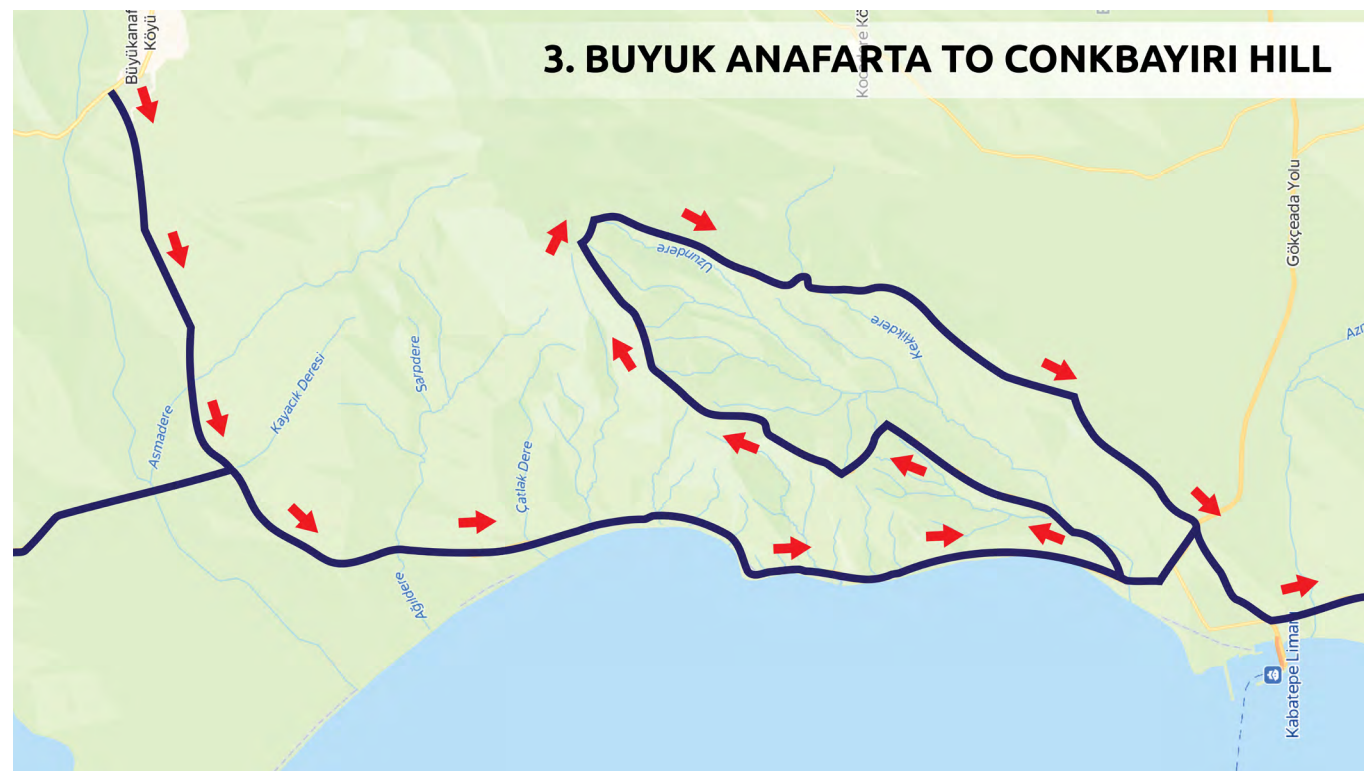
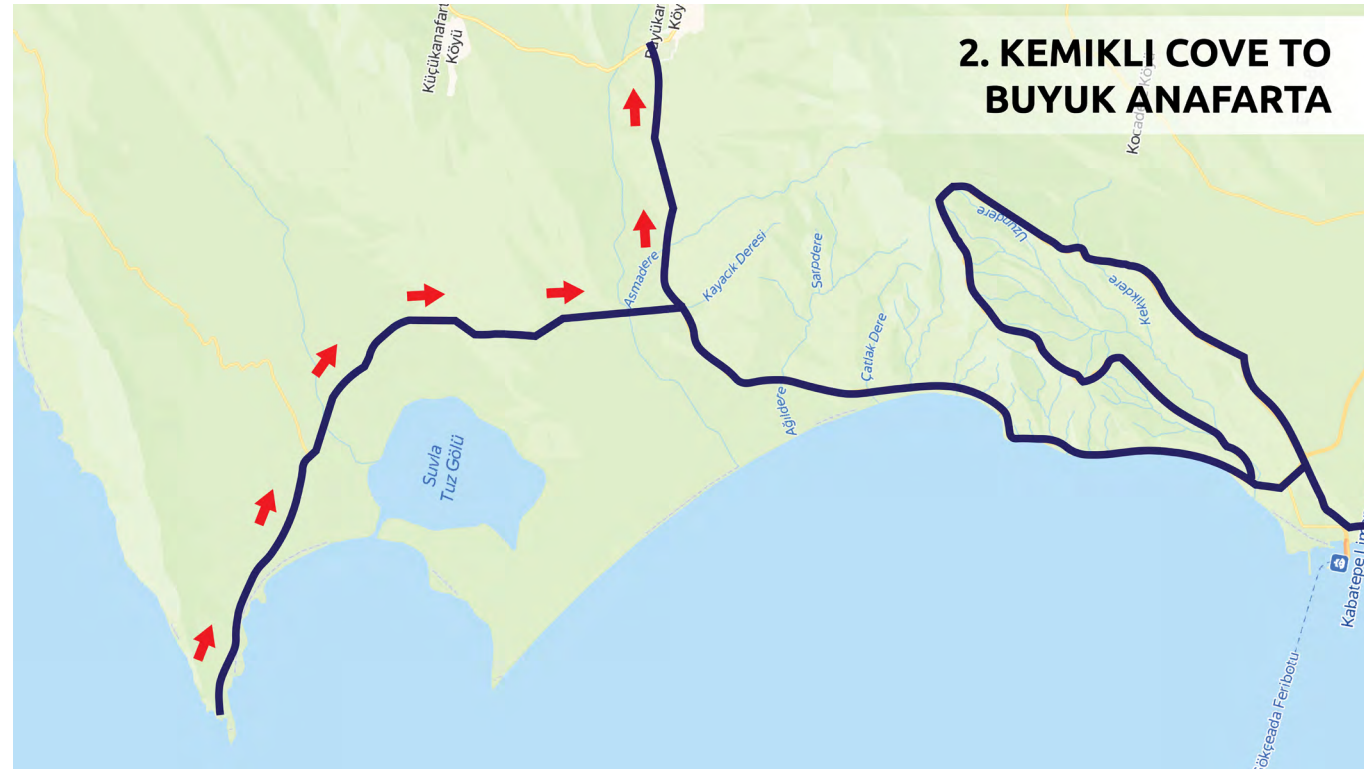
Run : 3 laps - 21 km



Swim start procedure:

1. Rolling Start
2. Athletes must enter their designated calling room/start area 20 minutes prior to their start.
3. PRO athletes will start with a gunshot. 1 minute later, Age Group athletes will start with the mat start. As soon as you cross the start mat, your swim time will begin. If you wait in an area suitable for your speed at the swim start, you will have a more controlled and safer swimming experience.
4. Swim Start area (line up) will be marked according to athletes excepted swim minutes as written below. Please respect others and line up according to your swim pace for safety of others and as well as yours
 - a. PRO
 - b. 25 min
 - c. 30 min
 - d. 35 min
 - e. 40 min
 - f. 45 min
 - g. 50 min
 - h. 60 min
5. When athletes pass the timing mat, their race time will start individually.
6. When athletes arrive at the start line, they have to keep moving forward and jump into the water as they wish.
7. Please swim immediately forward



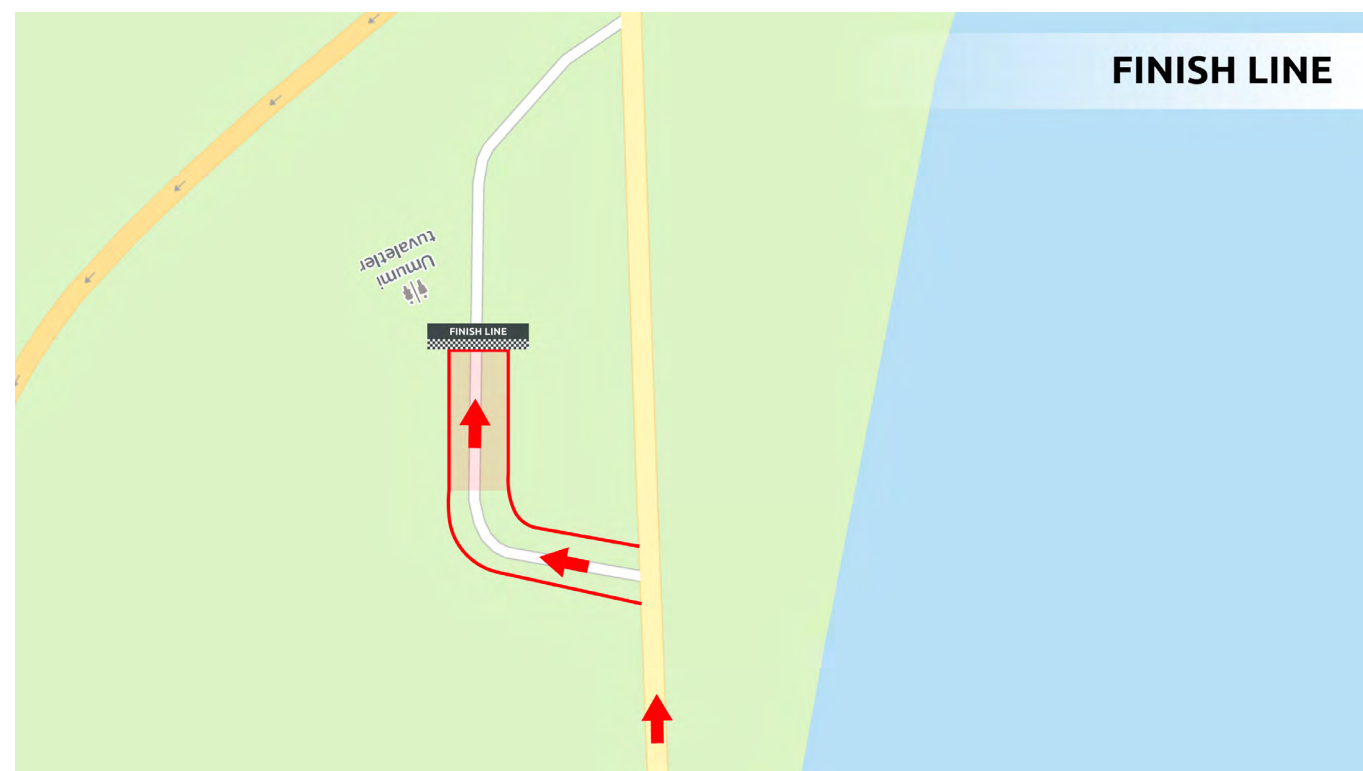


Athletes exiting the transition area will begin the 90 km single-loop bike course. The bike route will first pass through Anzac Cove and proceed to Kemikli Bay. From Kemikli Bay, they will make a U-turn heading left towards the Büyükanafarta junction. After a U-turn at Büyükanafarta, they will pass through Anzac Cove again. Skirting the Transition Area, they will start the climb up Conkbayırı. Descending from Conkbayırı, athletes will cycle past the GESTAŞ Ferry dock, heading towards the village of Alçıtepe. After passing Alçıtepe village, they will make a U-turn near Zıgındere beach and then return, passing in order Alçıtepe Village, GESTAŞ Ferry Dock, and finally returning to the Transition Area to complete the bike course.





The run course will be directed towards Anzac Bay. In Anzac Cove, athletes will complete a total of 21 km over three laps. Athletes who complete all three laps will enter the parking area opposite the Transition Area and proceed to the finish line.





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