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ADVANCE PROGRAM

EVENT NAME: UIM-ABP AQUABIKE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP–GRAND PRIX of VICHY

LOCATION: Vichy, France

DATE: September 4th, 5th, 6th2026

EVENT DESCRIPTION:

FFM with the authorisation of **Aquabike Promotion Ltd** and under the aegis of the **Union Internationale Motonautique ,**is organizing in Vichy, Fance:
"UIM-ABP Aquabike Circuit European Circuit 2026"

Final round of the 2026 Circuit European Championship

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PROVISIONAL TIME SCHEDULE (subject to changes – FFM activities in blue)

THURSDAY	**3rd September**
08:00 – 20:00	Paddock opening
09:00 – 12:00	Registration and Technical Scrutineering
13:00 – 19:00	Registration and Technical Scrutineering
14:00 – 16:00	Engine test on Water (only for registered and scrutineered – around the circuit, counterclockwise direction – Max 20 Aquabikes at time)
16:00 – 19:00	FFM Activities - Circuit tuning and validation
17:30 – 19:00	FFM Activities - Novice Pilot Assessment
19:30	Welcome drink (at the bar in front of the podium)

FRIDAY	**4th September**	
07:30 – 08:00	Registration and Technical Scrutineering	
08:00 – 08:30	Riders Briefing	
08:45 – 12:15	Free Practice – Qualifying/ Pole Position (as per rule 305.03 with joined sessions: 10' free practice +10' qualifying/pole session) - the qualifying session will also determine the line-up for moto 1*	
	08:45 – 09:15	Runabout GP4 Ladies
	09:15 – 09:45	Ski Division GP2
	09:45 – 10:15	Runabout GP4
	10:15 – 10:45	Ski Division GP3 and junior GP3
	10:45 – 11:15	FFM Activities - Endurance France
	11:15 – 11:45	Ski Division GP4 Junior
	11:45 – 12:15	Runabout GP2
12:15 – 13:15	Lunch break	
13:15 – 18:05	Free Practice – Qualifying/ Pole Position (as per rule 305.03 with joined sessions: 10' free practice +10' qualifying/pole session) - the qualifying session will also determine the line-up for moto 1*	
	13:15 – 13:45	Ski Division GP4
	13:45 – 14:15	Run GP4 Junior
	14:15 – 14:45	Ski GP1 Ladies
	14:45 – 15:15	FFM Activities - Ski Division Vétéran, GP2 Expert JX
	15:15 – 15:55	Ski GP1
	15:55 – 16:35	Run GP1
	16:35 – 17:05	FFM Activities - Vintage JX
	17:05 – 17:35	LCQ Ski GP1
17:35 – 18:30	Engine test on Water (only for registered and scrutineered – around the circuit, counterclockwise direction – Max 20 Aquabikes at time)	
18:30	Water plan closes	

SATURDAY	**5th September**
07:45 – 08:00	Riders Briefing
08:15 – 13:16	**MOTO 1**

	08:15 – 08:39	Runabout GP4 Ladies
	08:39 – 09:03	Ski Division GP2
	09:03 – 09:27	Runabout GP4
	09:27 – 09:48	Ski Division GP3 and Junior GP3
	09:48 – 10:22	FFM Activities - Endurance France
	10:22 – 10:43	Ski Division GP4 Junior
	10:43 – 11:07	Runabout GP2
	11:07 – 11:31	Ski Division GP4
	11:31 – 11:52	Runabout GP4 Junior
	11:52 – 12:13	FFM Activities - Vintage JX
12:13 – 12:52	Free Practice	Freestyle
12:52 – 13:30	Lunch break	
13:30 – 16:03	**MOTO 2**	
	13:30 – 13:54	Runabout GP4 Ladies
	13:54 – 14:15	FFM Activities - Vintage JX
14:15 – 14:54	**MOTO 1**	
	14:15 – 14:54	Freestyle
	MOTO 2	
	14:54 – 15:18	Ski Division GP2
	15:18 – 15:42	Runabout GP4
	15:42 – 16:03	Ski Division GP3 and Junior GP3
16:03 – 16:18	Break	
16:18 – 17:59	**MOTO 1**	
	16:18 – 16:42	Ski GP1 Ladies
	16:42 – 17:06	FFM Activities - Ski Division Vétéran, GP2 Expert JX, Ski GP1 DNQ Riders
	17:06 – 17:30	Ski GP1
	17:30 – 17:59	Run GP1
17:59 – 19:18	**MOTO 2**	
	17:59 – 18:33	FFM Activities - Endurance France
	18:33 – 18:54	Ski GP4 Junior
	18:54 – 19:18	Runabout GP2
19:18 – 19:45	Engine test on Water (Only for registered and scrutineered - Around the circuit, counterclockwise direction - Max 20 Aquabikes at a time)	
19:45	Water Plan closes	

SUNDAY **6th September**

07:45 – 08:00	Riders Briefing
8:00 – 08:20	Engine test on Water (Only for registered and scrutineered - Around the circuit, counterclockwise direction - Max 20 Aquabikes at a time)
08:20 – 08:44	**MOTO 2**
08:20 – 08:44	Ski Division GP4
08:44 – 09:05	Runabout GP4 Junior
09:05 – 11:33	**MOTO 3**
09:05 – 09:29	Runabout GP4 Ladies
09:29 – 09:53	Ski Division GP2

	09:53 – 10:17	Runabout GP4
	10:17 – 10:38	Ski Division GP3 and Junior GP3
	10:38 – 11:12	FFM Activities - Endurance France
	11:12 – 11:33	Ski Division GP4 Junior
11:33 – 13:59	**MOTO 2**	
	11:33 – 11:57	Ski GP1 Ladies
	11:57 – 12:21	FFM Activities - Ski Division Vétéran, GP2 Expert JX, Ski GP1 DNQ Riders
	12:21 – 12:45	Ski Division GP1
12:45 – 13:30	**Lunch break**	
	13:30 – 13:59	Runabout GP1
13:59 – 17:40	**MOTO 3**	
	13:59 – 14:23	Runabout GP2
	14:23 – 14:47	Ski Division GP4
	14:47 – 15:08	Runabout GP4 Junior
15:08 – 15:23	Break	
	15:23 – 15:47	Ski GP1 Ladies
	15:47 – 16:11	FFM Activities - Ski Division Vétéran, GP2 Expert JX, Ski GP1 DNQ Riders
	16:11 – 16:35	Ski Division GP1
	16:35 – 17:04	Runabout GP1
	17:04 – 17:25	FFM Activities - Vintage JX
17:25 – 18:04	**MOTO 2**	
	17:25 – 18:04	FreeStyle
18:30	**Prize Giving Ceremony Grand Prix of Vichy and Prize Giving UIM ABP European Championship**	
20:00	Closing Party (at the bar in fron oft he podium)	

CATEGORIES ALLOWED

Under UIM AQUABIKE RULES 2026. For full rules access, please visit:

https://www.uim.sport/Documents/RuleBookRelease/RuleBookRelease131/2026%20UIM%20Aquabike%20Rulebook%20-%20published%20on%2022.12.25.pdf

European Championship Racing Categories

Ski Division: GP1, GP2, GP3, GP4**,** Ski Ladies GP1, Ski Juniors GP3.3, GP3.2, GP4
Runabout: GP1, GP2, GP4, Runabout Junior GP4, Runabout Ladies GP4
Freestyle

AQUABIKE SUPERLICENCE

UIM World and European Championship is open to **ALL riders holding a valid UIM Aquabike Superlicense.**

To apply for such Superlicence or for obtaining any further information please contact the UIM Office directly at aquabike@uim.sport or by phone at +377 92 05 25 22.

At the race site of any given UIM World or European Championship Round, the Race Secretariat can only issue a *'single event'* UIM Superlicense, valid only for the given Event. For

obtaining such a *'single event'* UIM Superlicence, **the rider must present a valid international licence** delivered by his/her National Authority recognized by the UIM.
The UIM European Championship *'single event'* Superlicense fee (Rule 203.02.04) is 25 €, the UIM World Championship *'single event'* Superlicense fee (Rule 203.02.04) is 50€.

INSURANCE

All riders must have a valid Insurance Policy that covers:

- Civil Responsibility – 12.000.000€. Daily civil responsibility insurance is available to purchase on FFM website at 90€ per rider.
- **Holders insurance – Compulsory for all holders, available to purchase onsite at 40€**
- Personal Insurance
- Indemnity Insurance – optional

ALLOWANCES

Paddock

Located in Palais du lac – Centre Omnisports Vichy 03700 BELLERIVE / ALLIER France

Racing Bibs

Dorsals will be provided by the organisers. No other racing Bibs are allowed.

Tents

Tents might be available upon request. Costs will apply.

For any information regarding how to get there, accommodation, dining, etc. please refer to the website: https://vichymonamour.com

REGISTRATION

Riders can register by scanning the QR code or at the below link: https://www.helloasso.com/associations/o-sports/evenements/gp-of-vichy-2026
After registering, each rider will receive all the information regarding the event.
For any issue: jetcrosspilote@gmail.com

To register onsite, each rider must present:

- National License issued by a National Authority recognized by UIM
- Continental Super-License (a daily continental superlicense can be purchased on site for 25€ for European)
- Civil Responsibility Insurance
- Technical Inspection Form

For all riders there will be the below fees:

- Registration fee: 200€ (until August 27th)
- Paddock services: 50€ registration

All riders registering after 27th of August, an extra fee of 50€ will apply.
Online registration are available until 2nd of September. From September 3rd only onsite registration will be accepted.
For Freestyle and Junior categories, registration is free.
IMPORTANT: Registration payment will only be available on-site during registration at the race secretariat.

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INSPECTION

Technical Inspection shall be according to UIM rules.
It is the Team's responsibility to report to the inspection area allowing adequate time for both pre- and post-race inspection and registration based on announced time schedule.
Paddock crews will be responsible for assisting in weighing and in all inspection procedures.
The organisation, its members, race sponsors and crane/forklift owners or operators accept no responsibility for injury, damage or any loss incurred while operating cranes or other equipment (whether weighing, lifting or other), at race site.

PIT PROCEDURES

Access to pit area will only be allowed to the persons and vehicles holding the official ABP paddock passes (seasonal or one event).
Trailers/dollies must have Jet Ski's numbers and/or rider's name on the tongue for identification.
Teams shall maintain flow patterns through the pit area, and shall not go against traffic.
There shall be no smoking or open flames at the wet or dry pit area at any time.
No alcohol is allowed in the pit area and drinking of alcohol is forbidden for team members during event hours.

JOKER LAP

FOR GP1 RIDERS ONLY: As a joker lap, Riders are required to complete a minimum of two passages on each alternate circuit before the conclusion of the race. Riders who fail to comply will incur a 20 second time penalty added at the end of the Moto.

FINISH

The chequered flag signals the finish of the race.
The top three finishers must proceed immediately to the podium for the award presentation. For the prize giving riders must wear their wet suit, racing gear, racing helmet and the official ABP racing bib. This presentation is the provisional classification and is subject to revision after examining all relevant evidences and technical inspection.
The top 5 finishers must bring their jet skis to the inspection area immediately after the final event. As the top 3 riders will be on the podium, team managers may accompany their jet skis to the inspection area on their behalf.
Immediately after the race the top three finishers must be available for the press conference and TV interviews.

GENERAL

Officials, staff, participants, their crews, families and sponsors will be subject to disciplinary action for their conduct in connection with all UIM ABP events at all times. Penalties may be assessed to the owner and/or rider for unsportsmanlike conduct of their crew members, families and sponsors, as well as to the offenders themselves.
Unsportsmanlike conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Verbal abuse of participants, crew members, family members, sponsors, officials or staff

- Physical violence
- Threats
- Public obscene language
- Public statements or actions with a negative impact on the sport and or UIM/ABP
- Refusal to obey an order from a race official
- etc.

Penalties, as decided by the AB Daily Management and/or AB Committee, for unsportsmanlike conduct will be assessed by the UIM officials, the officer of the day or the UIM protest judge.
Any rider, crew member or official who is injured must report to the first aid centre for examination.
Riders participate in the race at their own responsibility and must have the necessary accident and life insurance.
Registration may be refused to any rider with outstanding financial issues with the UIM, ABP or the Local Organising Committee.

PENALTY FEES

All penalty fees assessed during the event must be paid prior to participation in any subsequent Session.
Penalty fees cannot be subject to protests or appeals.

DURING EVENT ACTIVITIES

The participation of riders and team manager is compulsory to all the activities (Registration, Briefing, Prize giving podium) scheduled on the Official event timetable, unless differently specified by ABP.

• Registration or tech inspection (pre race) after specified time	200 EUR
• Late at riders briefing	100 EUR
• Not present at riders briefing	200 EUR
• Smoking in the paddock (electronic cigarettes included)	150 EUR
• Late at start line	100 EUR
• Not attending compulsory functions (Press conference/Prize giving podium)	500 EUR

On the podium, all riders must wear their wetsuit, racing gear, including the racing bib, and carry the racing helmet. The racing bib must be worn for all pre- and post-podium interviews.
Each rider is responsible for any damage caused by him or his team member in the race area.

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TECHNICAL INSPECTION FORM

UIM-ABP AQUABIKE EUROPEAN CIRCUIT CHAMPIONSHIP
UIM-ABP AQUABIKE WORLD JUNIORS CIRCUIT CHAMPIONSHIP
Grand Prix of Vichy
September 4th – 6th 2026

RIDER

Family Name: .....

First Name: .....

Date of birth: .....

Requested Racing Number: .....

Nationality: .....

National License Number/Country: .....

Watercraft Brand: .....

Hull number: .....

EUROPEAN RACING CATEGORIES

- ○ Ski Divion **GP1**
- ○ Runabout **GP1**
- ○ Runabout **GP4**
- ○ Runabout Ladies **GP4**
- ○ Ski Juniors **GP3.3**
- ○ Ski Ladies **GP1**
- ○ Freestyle
- ○ Ski Divison **GP3**
- ○ Runabout Junior **GP4**
- ○ Ski Juniors **GP4**
- ○ Ski Division **GP2**
- ○ Runabout **GP2**
- ○ Ski Division **GP4**
- ○ Ski Juniors **GP3.2**

CHECK OF WATERCRAFT

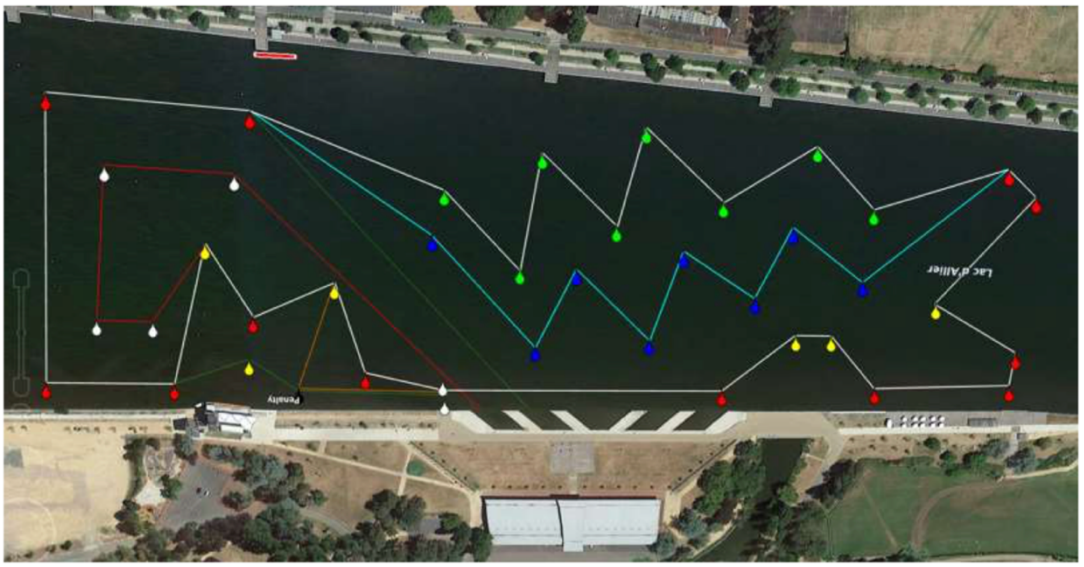
- ○ Ignition / Cutting of the engine
- ○ Shape of the Watercraft
- ○ Protections
- ○ Protecting Helmet
- ○ Life Jacket

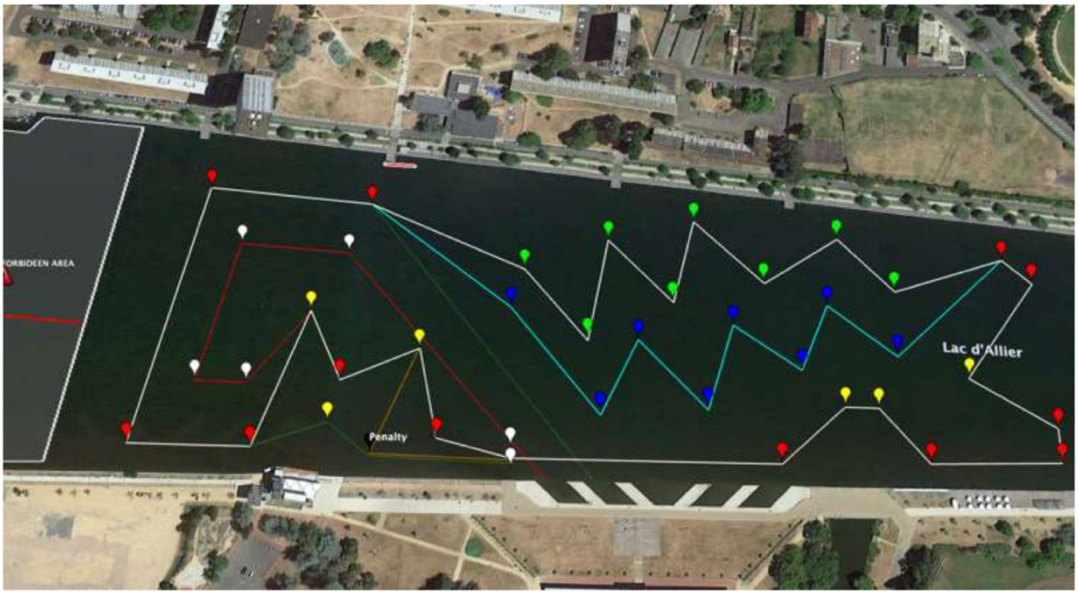
Dorsals will be provided by the organisers No other dorsals are allowed.

Place and date: ..... Rider's Signature: .....

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PROVISIONAL RACE COURSE





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LOCATION MAP

Grand Prix de Vichy, 2026 Aquabike UIM

Championnat d'Europe d'endurance et finale Championnat d'Europe Vitesse

Implantation



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PARKING/PADDOCK AREA

Opening Hours:

- Wednesday and Thursday: 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Upon arrival, please park in the welcome parking area (overnight stay possible for those arriving after 8:00 PM). We will come and guide you to your designated spot.

Each registered machine is allocated a space of 8 m x 7 m.
Please inform us of any grouping preferences **before August 20, 2026**.

Pilot Stands:
You may set up your pilot stand on the lawn near the launch areas.
Please reserve your space.

Catering on the lawn near the launch areas:

- Meals available at the site's self-service cafeteria (please book upon arrival)
- Pilot catering available (pasta, meat – please book upon arrival)
- Fast food available at the refreshment bar