

Artiem Half Menorca Triathlon

Regulations

1. Xtrem Menorca Triatló Club, the Consell Insular de Menorca, and the Ajuntament des Mercadal organize the Artiem Half Menorca Triathlon, scheduled for September 27, 2026, at 08:00 a.m. The event will be coordinated and produced by Elitechip.
2. The event consists of a middle-distance triathlon (HALF) with the following distances:
3. Swimming: 1,900 m – Cycling: 90 km – Running: 21.1 km
4. A short-distance race (SHORT) will also be held with the following distances:
5. Swimming: 1,000 m – Cycling: 34 km – Running: 9 km
6. Registration must be completed through the websites www.artiemhalfmenorca.com and <https://elitechip.net/artiemhalf26>. Registration opens on January 15, 2026, and closes on September 15, 2026.
7. The race will be timed using the Prochip timing system (blue chip), provided by the organizer at no cost to athletes who already own a yellow chip (ChampionChip MyLaps). Athletes who do not own a chip must pay a €2 fee.
8. The Prochip timing chip will be distributed at the bicycle check-in entrance tent on Saturday, September 26.
9. The Prochip timing chip is non-transferable and must be worn during all race segments (Swimming, Cycling, and Running).
10. **IMPORTANT:** The blue timing chip must be returned during check-out in order to collect your belongings.
11. Failure to return the blue Prochip timing chip, or loss of the chip, will result in a €50 penalty.
12. Athletes who are not affiliated with a Triathlon Federation must purchase a one-day insurance licence in order to participate, at a cost of €10. Relay team participants who are not affiliated must also purchase a one-day licence for each non-affiliated team member (€10 per participant).
13. Registration is personal and non-transferable and implies full acceptance of these regulations and all their provisions. Each participant takes part in the event under their own responsibility and confirms that they possess the physical fitness and technical ability required to complete the race.
14. Registration entitles participants to race entry, race bib number, swim cap, commemorative T-shirt or gift, finisher medal, and aid station services during and after the event.
15. By registering for the event, participants grant the organization the right to use any images, audio recordings, or other media captured during the event for promotional and publicity purposes.
16. Should adverse weather conditions or other circumstances prevent the Half Menorca Triathlon from taking place as planned, the organization may implement an alternative race format in coordination with the event officials and race judges.

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17. The race will be timed using the Prochip timing system. Participants must wear the timing chip secured to their ankle with the Velcro strap provided by the organization. Failure to wear the chip during the race will result in disqualification and exclusion from the official results.
18. Race bib collection will take place on Saturday, **September 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** at the Athlete Expo area located at the Fornells Sports Centre. Access to the transition area for bicycle check-in will be available from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the Fornells seafront promenade.

Race bib collection will not be available on race day.

19. **RACE BRIEFING:** An official race briefing will be held on Saturday, September 26, starting at 4:30 p.m. at the Fornells Sports Centre.
20. Distance Changes : Distance changes for all race categories will be permitted until September 15, 2026. An administration fee of €10 will be charged for each distance change request.
21. Participants wishing to upgrade to a longer race distance must pay the distance change administration fee, in addition to the difference in the registration fee between the two race distances.
22. Participants wishing to downgrade to a shorter race distance must pay the distance change administration fee. The difference in registration fees will only be refunded for requests submitted before September 1, 2026.
23. **Race Bib Transfers:** Race bib transfers will be permitted for all race categories until September 15, 2026. **An administration fee of €15 will apply.**
24. Cancellation requests will only be accepted from registered athletes who notify the organization before September 1, 2026, by email at web@elitechip.net. Eligible cancellations will receive a refund of 75% of the registration fee paid. Los gastos de gestión aplicados por la plataforma de inscripciones no están incluidos en el precio genérico.
25. **Drafting (riding in another athlete's slipstream) is NOT permitted during the cycling** segment of the race and will be governed in accordance with the current FETRIB regulations.
26. Any athlete wishing to file a protest must submit it in writing together with a **€50 deposit** in order for the protest to be considered. The deposit will only be refunded if the protest is upheld in favor of the claimant.
27. Age-group categories will be established in accordance with the regulations of the Spanish Triathlon Federation. In addition, an Overall Category will be established, consisting exclusively of the first five male overall finishers and the first five female overall finishers. Awards are not cumulative.
 - AGE GROUP 18–24
 - AGE GROUP 25–29
 - AGE GROUP 30–34
 - AGE GROUP 35–39
 - AGE GROUP 40–44

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- AGE GROUP 45–49
- AGE GROUP 50–54
- AGE GROUP 55–59

The following categories will be established for the SHORT race:

- Overall Male and Female (Top 3)
- Junior (18–19 years)
- Under-23 (20–23 years)
- Veteran 1 (40–49 years)
- Veteran 2 (50–59 years)
- Veteran 3 (60 years and over)

The following categories will be established for the Relay competition:

- Men's Relay Category
- Women's Relay Category
- Mixed Relay Category

OTHER PROVISIONS

28. The organization will provide public liability insurance coverage for the entire event.
29. The HALF race will start at 8:00 a.m. (Men's Category). The first wave of SHORT race participants (Men's Category) will start at 8:30 a.m.
30. The HALF Relay and Women's Category race will start at 8:10 a.m.
31. The SHORT Relay and Women's Category race will start at 8:35 a.m.
32. During the cycling segment, athletes competing in the SHORT distance will have access to one aid station located in Es Mercadal, stocked with 500 ml bottles of water and isotonic sports drinks. Athletes competing in the HALF distance will pass this aid station three times, as they complete three laps of the cycling course.
33. During the running segment, there will be two double-sided aid stations (serving athletes in both directions). SHORT-distance athletes will pass a total of four aid stations, while HALF-distance athletes will have access to up to ten aid stations throughout the course.
34. In addition to water and isotonic sports drinks, the run-course aid stations will also provide fruit and ice.
35. Upon completion of the race, participants will be able to enjoy traditional Menorcan food, including sobrasada, local cured meats, and ensaimada pastries, as well as nuts, fruit, water, isotonic sports drinks, and Estrella Damm Beer.
36. Race officiating and control will be carried out by FETRIB officials (Balearic Triathlon Federation).
37. All participants must wear the official swim cap during the swimming segment and an approved cycling helmet during the cycling segment.
38. Participants must also wear all race bibs and identification items provided by the organization in accordance with the regulations of the Spanish Triathlon Federation.

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39. The organization reserves the right to modify the course or race route if circumstances beyond its control make such changes necessary.
40. **Drafting is NOT permitted during the cycling segment in either race distance.**
Athletes must maintain a minimum drafting zone of 12 meters in length and 3 meters in width behind any other cyclist in the HALF distance and have a maximum of 25 seconds to complete an overtaking maneuver. In the SHORT distance, athletes must maintain a minimum drafting zone of 10 meters in length and 3 meters in width and have a maximum of 20 seconds to complete an overtaking maneuver.
41. Participation is only permitted with a road bike or time trial (TT) bike. Mountain bikes, hybrid bikes, and other bicycle types are not permitted.
42. Athletes must wear their race bib visibly on their back throughout the entire cycling segment.
43. Race timing will be carried out using the electronic chip timing system.
44. By registering for the event, all participants acknowledge and accept these Regulations in their entirety.

RELAY

45. All rules and regulations applicable to the individual competition shall also apply to the relay competition.
46. Relay participants will wear swim caps and race bibs of different colors to facilitate identification.
47. A relay team shall consist of a minimum of two (2) athletes and a maximum of three (3) athletes, with each athlete completing one discipline: swimming, cycling, or running.
48. The timing chip will serve as the relay baton and must be worn on the ankle by each relay team member during their respective segment.
49. The relay exchange shall take place in a designated tent located within the transition area.

HALF DISTANCE

Swimming: Athletes will complete one 1.9 km lap in Fornells Bay. Both the start and finish will be located in this area, which will be clearly marked with buoys. Kayaks, inflatable rescue boats, and safety vessels will be deployed throughout the course to ensure the safety of all participants.

T1 – Swim-to-Bike Transition: Upon completing the swim and entering the transition area to collect your bicycle, you will have an individual transition box available where you may leave all swimming equipment and change into your cycling gear. You may then collect your bicycle and begin the 90 km cycling segment. A covered changing area will also be available for participants who wish to use it.

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Cycling: The cycling course consists of three 27 km laps on a fully marked route, with one aid station available on each lap, for a total distance of 90 km. Athletes must first complete an approximately 3 km connecting section to reach the main circuit. The cycling course will be fully closed to traffic. Athletes must comply with all traffic regulations at all times and always ride on the right-hand side of the road. In the final section of the course, there is an out-and-back loop towards the Son Parc residential area. This section will operate in both directions, making it especially important for athletes to remain on the right-hand side at all times. This loop is necessary to achieve the full 90 km race distance.

T2 – Bike-to-Run Transition: Upon completing the cycling segment, athletes must enter the transition area and rack their bicycle in the same position from which it was collected. Helmets may not be removed until the bicycle has been properly racked. Athletes may then collect their running shoes from their transition box and begin the 21 km running segment.

Run: The run course consists of 3.5 laps to complete the total distance of 21 km. Aid stations will be available approximately every 2.5 km. The course follows the entire seafront promenade and includes climbing the Fornells Tower three times. On each lap, athletes will pass through a timing checkpoint to record lap completion. On the third pass, athletes must follow the designated finish chute leading to the FINISH LINE and complete the Artiem Half Menorca Triathlon.

SHORT DISTANCE

Swimming: Athletes will complete one 1,000 m lap in Fornells Bay. The start and finish will be located in the Es Plà area and will be clearly marked with buoys. Kayaks, inflatable rescue boats, and safety vessels will be deployed throughout the course to ensure the safety of all participants.

T1 – Swim-to-Bike Transition: Upon completing the swim and entering the transition area to collect your bicycle, you will have an individual transition box available where you may leave all swimming equipment and change into your cycling gear. You may then collect your bicycle and begin the 34 km cycling segment. A covered changing area will also be available for participants who wish to use it.

Cycling: The cycling course consists of one 27 km lap on a fully marked route, with one aid station available along the course. Athletes must first complete an approximately 3 km connecting section to reach the main circuit. The cycling course will be fully closed to traffic. Athletes must comply with all traffic regulations at all times and always ride on the right-hand side of the road. In the final section of the course, there is an out-and-back loop towards the Son Parc residential area. This section will operate in both directions, making it especially important for athletes to remain on the right-hand side at all times.

T2 – Bike-to-Run Transition: Upon completing the cycling segment, athletes must enter the transition area and rack their bicycle in the same position from which it was collected. Helmets may not be removed until the bicycle has been properly racked. Athletes may then collect their running shoes from their transition box and begin the 9 km running segment.

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Run: The run course consists of 1.5 laps to complete the total distance of 9 km. Aid stations will be available approximately every 2.5 km. The course follows part of the seafront promenade and includes one ascent of the Fornells Tower.

CANCELLATION OF THE SWIMMING SEGMENT DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS

- In the event of extreme weather conditions, such as strong winds, rain, etc.
 - The Technical Delegate and/or the Medical Delegate may decide on the length of the swimming segment or even cancel it if necessary. The final decision will be made 1 hour before the start and will be clearly communicated to athletes through official channels, official competition social media, mobile devices, as well as public address announcements.
 - the event of cancellation of the swimming segment, triathletes are informed that the SHORT distance triathlon will be converted into a duathlon with distances of 3 km run + 36 km bike + 9 km run.
 - In the case of the HALF distance, it will be converted into a duathlon with distances of 5 km run + 90 km bike + 21.1 km run.
 - The start schedule will follow the regulations, with a possible delay margin of 15 minutes*.
 - Whenever weather conditions are adverse, schedules may be modified and adjusted to the new weather conditions.

OPTION TO USE A WETSUIT

- Athletes aged 50 or over are allowed to use a wetsuit regardless of water temperature.
- In case of extreme weather conditions such as strong winds, currents, jellyfish, etc.
- The Technical Delegate and/or the Medical Delegate may decide on the length of the swimming segment and the use of wetsuits. The final decision will be made 1 hour before the start and will be clearly communicated to athletes through official competition channels, official social media, mobile devices, as well as public address announcements.
- The official water temperature will be measured at the middle of the course and at two other points of the swim segment, at a depth of 60 cm, 1 hour before the start. The lowest recorded temperature will be considered the official one.

Water temperature

- The use of a wetsuit may be mandatory, allowed, or prohibited depending on the distance (in meters) and water temperature (in °C) as shown in the table below:

Wetsuit use by age group:

- Short (1000 m): prohibited above 22°C, mandatory below 15.9°C
- Half (1900 m): prohibited above 24.6°C, mandatory below 15.9°C

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) Note: The specified temperatures are not always the water temperatures used in the final decision. If the external temperature is lower than the water temperature, then the water temperature used for the decision is adjusted downward by 0.5°C for every 1°C difference between the external temperature and the water temperature.

The organization reserves the right to modify, interpret, and amend these rules to ensure the proper development of the event. The race director, the general coordinator, and the federation officials shall have authority to issue the final decision in case of any doubt or interpretation of the rules. To verify that you are consulting the latest version, you must check the revision section, where the date of the latest update will be shown.

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