

# 28<sup>th</sup> International Self-Transcendence Marathon-Swim Rapperswil - Zürich 26 km



WELCOME

to the MARATHON SWIM  
of July 26<sup>th</sup> 2015

Dear swimmers

We welcome you to the International Self-Transcendence MARATHON SWIM across the beautiful lake of Zurich.

Long-distance swimmers from all over the world will join you in the longest swimming competition in Switzerland.

Your race number, swim caps, T-Shirts and more information you will get on Saturday July 25<sup>th</sup> at the obligatory race briefing.

Please pay your entry fee until March 31<sup>st</sup>.  
CHF 190.- for solo swimmers and CHF 290.- for relays,  
plus the costs of the boat: CHF 220.- and the ordered DVDs.

The weather can be from hot and sunny to cold with wind and rain.  
Be prepared for all weather conditions! And when the time comes to pack, do not forget to bring your own food for the race, sun cream, hats, an umbrella (for rain or sun), warm clothes and rain jackets/pants - your helpers may be on a small, open boat!

We are looking forward to welcome you in Switzerland and wish you good luck in your training.

Yours sincerely

Vallabha Kaul, Kanai Zimmermann, Pradeepta Bürgisser

Sri Chinmoy Marathon Team

# Timetable

## Saturday July 25<sup>th</sup>

- 3.00 p.m. **Registration opens**  
3.30 p.m. **Race briefing: race information for English speaking swimmers**  
**Place: HSR - Hochschule für Technik, Oberseestrasse 10, 8640 Rapperswil House 5, Room 5.001.**
- OBLIGATORY** for all solo swimmers and for at least one member of the relay teams.
- 5.00 p.m. Distribution of numbers and race information for German speaking swimmers
- 7.30 p.m. Meditation - Concert with "Mountain Silence"

## Sunday July 26<sup>th</sup>

Train (S16) from Zurich Main station leaving 5.05, arriving in Rapperswil 5.52

- 5.30 a.m. Opening of the lido "Schlossbadi" in Rapperswil  
Breakfast
- 6.00 a.m. Loading of the boats with your luggage for the race.  
We will bring your remaining luggage to the finish area.  
**Relay team-boats are in the harbour of Rapperswil**  
**Boats of solo-swimmers are in the lido (Schlossbadi)**
- 7.00 a.m.** **Start for solo-swimmers** in the lido
- 7.15 a.m.** **Start for relays** in the lido
- 1.00 p.m. First Marathon-swimmers arrive in Zurich  
at the Lido "Strandbad" Tiefenbrunnen, Bellerivestr. 214, Zurich  
- buffet for all swimmers and helpers  
- showers, massage
- 1.30 p.m. 1. Cut-off in Meilen (14.3 km)**  
Swimmers who have not reached Meilen at 1.30 p.m. will be taken out of the race.
- 2.00 p.m.-  
5.30 p.m. Shuttlebus to Rapperswil  
or Train from Station "Tiefenbrunnen" (500m from finish) to Rapperswil  
Leaves at Tiefenbrunnen 2.08 pm, 2.38, 3.08, 3.38, ---- 8.08, 8.38, 9.08 pm  
change at „Stadelhofen“, travel time 44 min
- 4.30 p.m. 2. Cut-off at Küsnachter Horn (21.8 km)**
- 7.00 p.m. Finish of the MARATHON SWIM
- 7.15 p.m. Award ceremony**
- 8.00 p.m. End of program, Bus to Rapperswil

# Competition rules for Marathon Swimming

## Rules for solo swimmers

1. Swimmers must **not** use fins, wetsuits, boards, pull buoys, paddles etc.
2. Pacing is **not** allowed.
3. Swimmers may grease up before the swim.
4. Swimmers must **not** touch the boat and must **not** go on land.
5. The swimmers are **not** allowed to swim directly behind the boat (drafting).
6. Swimmers must organize their own food, grease and helper.
7. The swimmers must wear classical textile swimwear according to FINA open water rules. Only in the neoprene category swimmers are allowed to wear non-textile water-impermeable racing suits.
8. **Two Cut-offs! Swimmers not passing Meilen (14.3 km) at 1.30 pm or Küssnachter Horn (21.8 km) at 4.30 pm, will be taken out of the race.**
9. Time limit: 12 hours

## Rules for relays

1. The same rules as above apply, except point 3 and 9.
2. 2 - 3 people per relay, independent of sex, age or nationality.
3. Swimmers must change **every hour**.
4. They have to change within the last 3 minutes of each hour.
5. The takeover must be done by approaching the swimmer from behind.
6. The order of swimmers **must not be changed**.
7. If one swimmer drops out, he can not be replaced. The remaining swimmers can finish the race.
8. Swimmers must **not** use grease.
9. Time limit: 11 hours 45 minutes

## Rules for open category with wetsuits (solo swimmers + relays):

1. The same rules as above apply.
2. Exception: Swimmers are allowed to use non-textile racing suits or wetsuits. Swimming without wetsuit is allowed.

**Attention: In case of storms** the organizing committee may change the starting time, the distance of the race or even cancel the race. The entry fee cannot be refunded.

## Safety measures

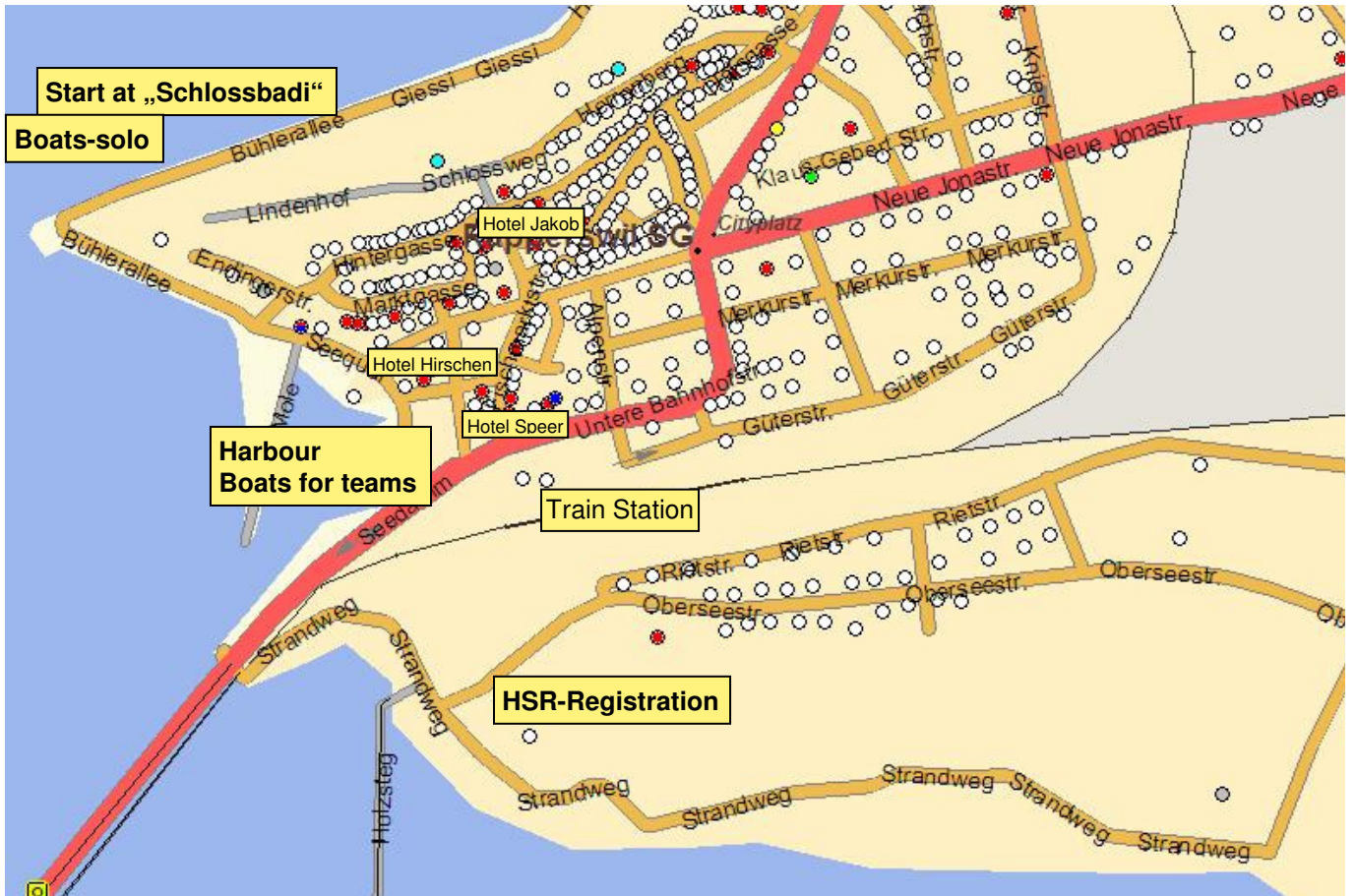
1. During the race one medical boat and two referee boats will cruise on the lake.
2. Each swimmer will be escorted by a boat.
3. A security station with a doctor will be on shore at Meilen. Motorized helpers will bring you to the finish, in case you have to give up.

**Insurance** is the responsibility of each swimmer. The organizers are not responsible for theft, accidents, illness or death that may occur during the race.

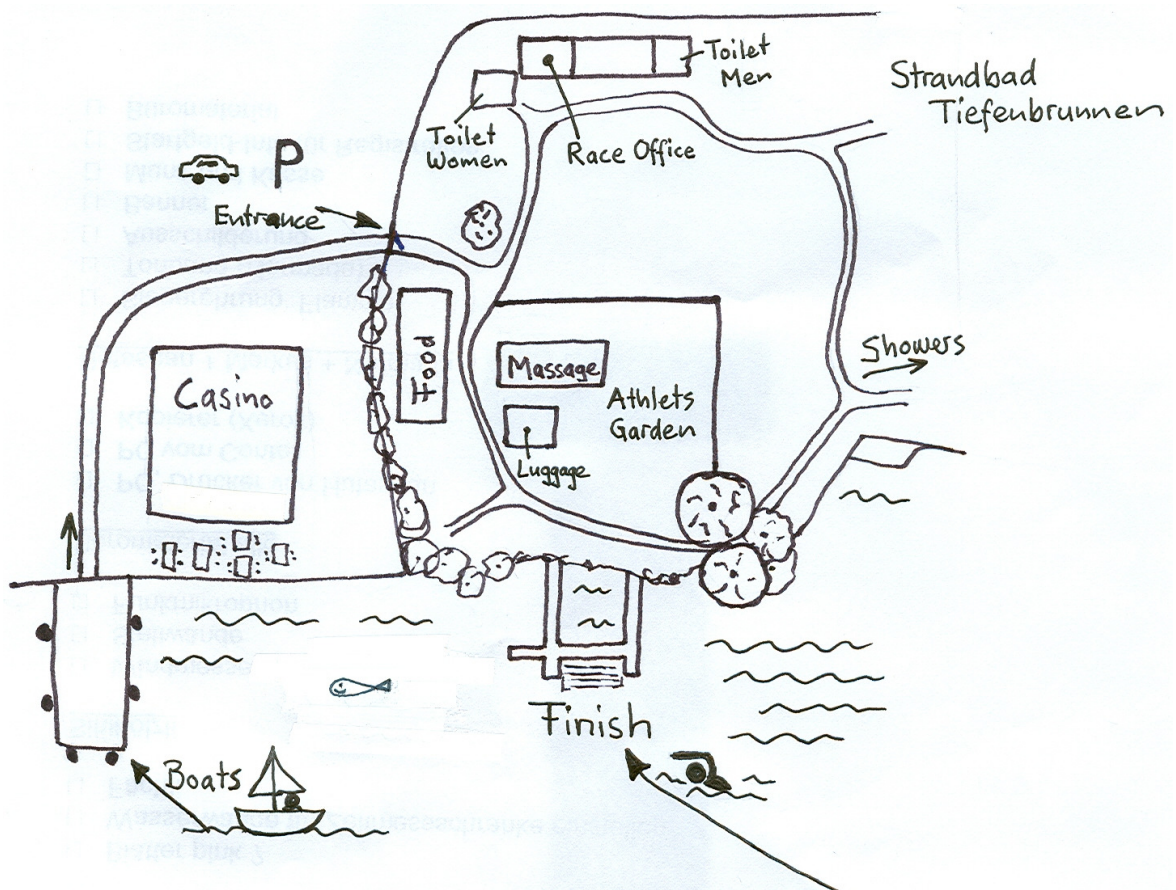
**Organization:** This event is organized by the Sri Chinmoy Marathon Team,  
Postfach 76, 5420 Ehrendingen, Switzerland

**Information:** Vallabha: Tel. 0041 (0)56 496 28 40 or Mobile +41 77 418 77 11  
Pradeepta: Tel. 0041 (0)56 203 13 11 or Mobile +41 78 878 27 08

## Plan from Rapperswil



## Plan from the Finish



## **Unterkunft / Lodging** (prices in Swiss Francs)

**Train connections :** [www.sbb.ch/en/home.html](http://www.sbb.ch/en/home.html)

### **Zürich**

Tourist Service / Verkehrsverein Zürich, [www.zuerich.com](http://www.zuerich.com),

Aparthotel, Karlstr. 5+3, [www.aparthotel.ch](http://www.aparthotel.ch), Tel:+41 (0)44 422 11 75, Fax:+41(0)44 383 65 80  
nur 500m vom Ziel / only 500m from the Finish

Einzelzimmer / Singelroom: 110.- to 140.-, Doppelzimmer / Double room: 90.- per person

City Backpacker, Niederdorfstrasse 5, [www.city-backpacker.ch](http://www.city-backpacker.ch), 3 km from the Finish

Tel: +41 (0)44 251 90 15, Fax: +41 (0)44 251 90 24

Double room: 60.- per person, 4 bed-room: 50.- per person, without breakfast

Jugendherberge / Youth hostel, Mutschellenstrasse. 114, 8038 Zürich-Wollishofen

[www.youthhostel.ch/zuerich](http://www.youthhostel.ch/zuerich), Tel: +41 (0)44 482 35 44, Fax: +41 (0)44 480 17 27

4 bed-room: 56.- per person, 2 bed-room 75.- per person, incl. breakfast

Camping: "Seebucht", Seestr.559, 8038 Zürich-Wollishofen

[www.camping-zurich.ch](http://www.camping-zurich.ch), Tel: +41 (0)44 482 16 12, Fax: +41 (0)44 482 16 60

Zelt / Tent: 14.-, + 8.- per person

### **Rapperswil**

Tourist Information, [www.rapperswil.ch](http://www.rapperswil.ch), [information@rapperswil.ch](mailto:information@rapperswil.ch)

Tel: +41 (0)55 220 57 57, Fax: +41 (0)55 220 57 50

Hotels nahe beim Start / close to the Start (500m)

Hotel Speer, [www.hotel-speer.ch](http://www.hotel-speer.ch), Tel: +41 (0)55 220 89 00, Fax +41 (0)55 220 89 89

Double room: 110.- per person

Hotel Jakob, [www.jakob-hotel.ch](http://www.jakob-hotel.ch), Tel: +41 (0)55 220 00 50, Fax +41 (0)55 220 00 55

Single room: 120.-, Double room: 105.- per person, 4 bed room: 75.- per person

Hotel Hirschen, [www.hirschen-rapperswil.ch](http://www.hirschen-rapperswil.ch), Tel:+41 (0)55 220 61 80, Fax +41 (0)55 220 61 81

Double room: 115.- per person

Günstige Unterkunft, cheap accomodation

Youth hostel / Jugendherberge, "Busskirch", Hessenhofweg 10, 8645 Jona

[www.youthhostel.ch/jona](http://www.youthhostel.ch/jona), Tel: +41 (0)55 210 99 27, Fax: +41 (0)55 210 99 28

2 km from the Start, check in: after 5 p.m./nach 17Uhr

Preise pro Person / prices per person: 4 bed-room: 44.-, 2 bed-room: 53.-, 1 bed-room: 63.-

Camping: Campingplatz Strandbad Stampf, Stampfstrasse, 8645 Jona

Zelt / Tent: 10.-, + 10.- per person/per night