



Sri Chinmoy Marathon-Swim Rapperswil–Zurich 26 km

Information for swimmers who want to organise their own boat/kayak

If you apply with your own boat/kayak, then your race entry will only be accepted together with a picture of the boat/kayak and the e-mail and phone number of the captain/paddler.

Race entry will be confirmed only after the Sri Chinmoy Marathon Team has approved of your boat/kayak.

Registration deadline is 5 weeks before the swim, if not already booked out before.

Boats and Captains from previous years:

Boats and captains which were/are organised by us, will not be accepted as own boat.

Please do not ask a captain who supported you in a previous year to support you again. It means you cannot ask your captain from a previous year and then apply with “your” own boat. If you get a starting place and your previous captain can come again, we will certainly give you the same boat if you wish so.

These boats are ideal, but a ship identity card and a license plate are needed.
Only possible for boats registered in Switzerland.



Rowing boats that are longer than 2.50m as well as boats with a combustion or electric engine.

We cannot accept boats from abroad that need a license plate in Switzerland. The registration at the Swiss Navy during the week is too complicated.

For swimmers from outside Switzerland, you have the following options:

- you bring your own or rented kajak and you have a friend who is an experienced kayaker
- you know somebody who has a boat at Zurich lake

Renting boats at Zurich Lake

Rowing boats and all motorboats from "Hensa" in Rapperswil will not be accepted as boats for swimmers who organise their own boat.

You can participate with your "own" boat if you know somebody who has the boating licence and if you are ready to pay more than CHF 1500.- for the rent.

Here are a few links of boat renting:

<https://www.boat-school.ch/vermietung>

<https://bootsvermietung-zurich.ch/preise/>

<https://www.bootsvermietungzuerichsee.ch/unsere-boote/>

Kayaks are allowed and do not need a license

Inflatable kayaks for 2 people are a good solution for solo swimmers (and teams), especially if you come from outside of Switzerland.

For example:

Kayaks from Grabner www.grabner-sports.at or from Gumotex www.gumotex.com

Low quality kayaks like leisure rubber boats for children will not be accepted!

Possible rental place for kayaks is in Schmerikon www.kustersport.ch

Transport to the start and back from the finish has to be organised by the swimmer!

Please do not bring inexperienced helpers to paddle the kayak.

They have to be secure with the kayak and be able to paddle in any weather (it can rain all day at 14°C air temperature!) for 3 to 6 hours (or 6-12 if one is doing the whole lake). You can change the paddler at the halfway point in Meilen.

If you like this option, then you should buy a kayak soon and go out for training with your helpers.

Inflatable kayaks for 2 people



packed



pumped up



on the lake

Due to security-reasons, the following boats **will not be allowed**:



*„Nutshells“
- Rowing boats under 2.50m*



Leisure rubber boat



Pedalos and Surfboards