



ATHLETES INFORMATION GUIDE ELITE / JUNIORS

City Triathlon Weert

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Welcome to the Rabobank 2019 Weert ETU Triathlon European Championships

This Athlete Handbook provides athletes and team managers with key information required for competing in the Rabobank 2019 Weert ETU Triathlon European Championships.

During the event, daily updated information will be available from the event website and the event Information Desk located in the Athlete Service Area inside the Event Area. Athletes are encouraged to check daily event updates by following us on Facebook and by regularly visiting the website.

For all the information you need to maximize your Triathlon European Championships experience please see our website and social media outlets:

The final information will be provided at the Team Managers briefings.

Event Website: https://stadstriathlonweert.nl/en/

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/stadstriathlon





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1. WELCOME

1.1. WELCOME BY ETU





Weert 2019 is looking like being one of the biggest events in the history of ETU Championships.

Easy to get to and with great support from the local community and Nation Federation. We have seen exciting racing there over the past few years and the legacy for triathlon sport in the city is is growing with every year.

ETU President, Renato Bertrandi, "I have not had the chance to visit the venue but have heard many very positive reports back from ETU Executive Board Members, Technical Officials, ETU Media and of course, from athletes and their supporters. It all sounds so very positive and in particular, I am looking forwards to seeing the swim starts at the Blauwe Meertje.

We were very impressed with the presentation made by the LOC when they attended the ETU Congress at

Kitzbühel. It is clear to us that the LOC has put a lot of work into planning not only this event but the into developing the legacy that racing triathlon at such a high level can leave. At a time where it is so important that our events are well-organised and offer not only safety and fairness but also value for money, I am confident that this event will attract a big number of athletes. So, well ahead of the race, I would like to say, 'Veel succes!' not only to the LOC but also to all of you training for the event."

Weert 2019, be there!
Paul Groves & Renato Bertrandi







1.2. WELCOME BY THE CITY OF WEERT





Dear athletes and sports lovers,

It is my honour to welcome you to the European Championships Olympic distance Triathlon which are held here in Weert for the very first time. It is really fantastic that we have been able to welcome so many professional and recreational athletes from all over Europe in Weert. Since 2010, we have had the city triathlon in Weert. It is an annual top sports event for all ages, which primarily reflects the joy that sports can bring. This event has expanded throughout the years and has stimulated the ambition to also organize the European championships. A dream of Olympic proportion. The City Triathlon Weert Foundation has been preparing itself with great dedication to meet all the conditions of the European Triathlon Association. Together with the town council of Weert, the province of Limburg, the Dutch Triathlon Association and the European Triathlon Association,

a lot of work has been done to realize this ambition.

The special feature of these European Championships is its unique location. Right in the heart of the city centre the athletes will compete in swimming, running and cycling. That is very special, also for our city and its citizens. As a true sports city, we welcome this great event and we are proud to be able to host it. Sportsmanship, hospitality and sociability will be key in these European championships. Weert will make it happen!

I look forward to encouraging the athletes, together with the many visitors from all over Europe.

Let's meet and make this an unforgettable weekend in our beautiful city!





1.3. WELCOME BY CHAIRMAN DUTCH TRIATHLON FEDERATION

Dear athletes, coaches, trainers, boardmembers, spectators, sponsors, guests,

On behalf of the board of the Dutch Triathlon Federation (NTB) I would like to give you all a warm welcome at the European Championship Olympic Distance 2019 in Weert. It is a great honour for Dutch Triathlon in general to host the best Olympic Distance triathletes of Europe in the beautiful City of Weert. We have full confidence in the Local Organizing Committee, together with the City of Weert, to present you a professional and challenging event in which you can demonstrate your toptriathlon skills! The LOC, the City of Weert, the Province of Limburg and NTB have worked closely together the last years in organizing this EC and of course we hope you will be satisfied with the result this weekend. The NTB wishes to thank the ETU for giving

us the chance to show our Dutch organizing skills in international topsportevents. Also we like to thank all sponsors, the City of Weert and the Province of Limburg for making this event possible. Let's all enjoy this weekend elitesport on its best!! We are ready, are you?









1.4. Welcome by Chairman City Triathlon Weert

I am proud to be able to welcome you to

the European Triathlon Championships Olympic Distance 2019 in Weert

Dear athletes, participants, volunteers, sponsors and visitors, Four years ago we converted our passion and our dream into a plan. A plan to get awarded the organisation of the European Triathlon Championships for Weert.

It is amazing and unique that this plan has been realised after 4 years of hard work. Of course, we haven't done this alone; we have received an enormous amount of help and support from within Weert, but also from outside of our city.

And now it is really happening on the 29th of May till the 9th of June 2019, during the 10th Rabobank city triathlon Weert!

The programme of the first and second weekend of June is impressive and spectacular. A platform has been created for the top athlete as well as for the recreational athlete.

Because next to the European Championships, we also organise the biggest triathlon competition for high school students in which 3000 students will compete. It is also for the first time that the City Swim and Light



Run have been added during the night of the triathlon. In this way the organisation's wish to support a good cause has been fulfilled.

You will find a description of the different activities that are taking place in May/June 2019. Let's turn our city into the triathlon city of Europe in those days.

I wish you all lots of fun competing in or watching these games. May they be fair and fun for all involved.

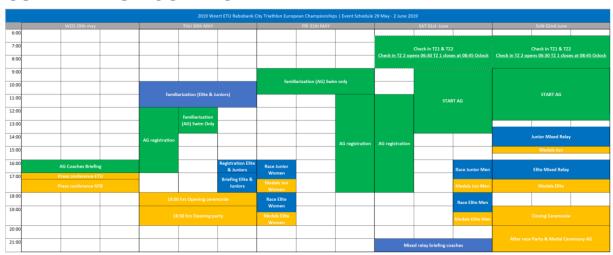


Wilfried Weekers Chairman of the City Triathlon Weert Foundation





2. COMPETITION SCHEDULE FINAL



Wednesday 29-May-2019	Time	Location
Briefing AG coaches	16:00-17:00	Sport Center Boshoven
Press Conference ETU	17:00-17:30	Congress Center
Press Conference NTB	17:30-18:00	Congress Center
Thursday 30-May-2019	Time	Location
Familiarization Elite & Juniors (swim/bike/run)	10:00-12:00	Blue Lake
Familiarization AG (swim)	12:00-14:00	Blue Lake
ETU registration Age group	12:00-17:00	Sport Center Boshoven
ETU registration Elite & Juniors	16:00-17:00	Town Hall
ETU Briefing Elite & Juniors	17:15-17:45	Town Hall
Opening Ceremony	18:00-19:00	Bassin (Finish area)
Friday 31-May-2019	Time	Location
Familiarization Age group (swim/bike/run)	09:00-11:00	Blue Lake
ETU registration Age group	11:00-18:00	Sport Center Boshoven
ETU junior female	16:00	Blue lake
ETU elite female	18:00	Blue lake
Saturday 01-June-2019	Time	Location
TZ 2 opens for AG to place shoes	06:30	Centrum North
TZ 1 closes for AG to place bike etc.	08:45	Blue lake
Age group race (All Female & Male 55+)	09:00-14:00	Blue lake
ETU registration Age group	11:00-18:00	Sport Center Boshoven
ETU junior male	16:00	Blue lake
ETU elite male	18:00	Blue lake
ETU briefing coaches Mixed relay	21:00	Sport Center Boshoven
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Sunday 02-june-2019	Time	Location
TZ 2 opens for AG to place shoes	06:30	Centrum North
TZ 1 closes for AG to place bike etc.	08:45	Blue lake
Age group race (Male 18 to 54)	09:00-13:00	Blue lake
ETU junior mixed relay	13:30	Bassin (Finish area)
ETU elite mixed relay	16:00	Bassin (Finish area)
Closing Ceremony	19:00-20:00	Bassin (Finish area)
After Party & Medal Ceremony AG	20:00- 00:00	Bassin (Finish area)





3. GENERAL INFORMATION

3.1. WELCOME TO WEERT

The municipality of Weert is Honored to welcome the National and international Athletes, Weert is not only proclaimed in the year 2012 to Sport city of the year but also Greenest City of the Netherlands. In 2014 the region of Weert has been declared the greenest region in the world. It forms an beautiful backdrop for an international competition. Weert is called a real'do-municipality, with an positive and proactive approach to develop every challenge. A Quote "Weert bustles and breathes sport out". The municipality shows commitment and corporation between sport, business, education and welfare and makes sure everybody is involved. The city triathlon which takes place in Weert since 2010, is an excellent example of that broad corporation. We are also very proud that in the Olympics 2012 triathlon Athlete Maaike Caelers which is born and raised in Weert participated in London. Therefore we want to welcome all the European Athletes which participate at the European Championships.

The annual Triathlon attracts many spectators, they are an appreciative audience for all athletes of all ages. We are proud to be part of this sporting city with its local hospitality. Inside this Competitor Information Guide you will find all the information you need to know about

the event, including all available athlete services and all race specific information. Read this information carefully and formulate your pre-event, race week plan. For any further questions, please see our event website or visit the Athlete Info Point at the Event Area.

3.2. CONTACT INFORMATION

Local Organizing Committee: Foundation City Triathlon Weert

Event Director: Rob Barel

Address: Irenelaan 32, 6006 HD, Weert, Netherlands

Event Website: https://stadstriathlonweert.nl/en/

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/stadstriathlon

Email / Helpdesk: <u>secretaris@stadstriathlonweert.nl</u>

Athlete services manager: Roger Stienen

ETU TD: Esther Sanchez (ESP)

Jan Philipp Krawczyk (GER)

Assistant TDs: Hans Everts (NED)

ETU Medical Delegate: Jan Verstuyft (BEL) jan.verstuyft@skynet.be

ETU Head Referee Elite/Juniors: Daan Hoogland ETU Head Referee Elite/Juniors: Dora Rozsa

ETU Head Referee AG: Marco van Oostende

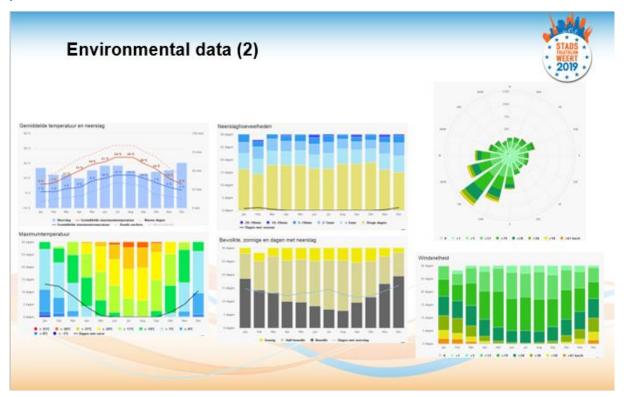




3.3. WEATHER

Most important information first: The Weather. The answer is easy and straightforward: The Dutch weather can be unpredictable, and it is recommended that all athletes should prepare for all weather conditions: warm, sunny, cloudy, cold, wind and rain! But the last few years where warm and sunny and always an Non wetsuit swim.

The water temperature is likely to be somewhere in the area of 20-24°c, it is therefore impossible to predict whether it's wetsuit or non-wetsuit swim.



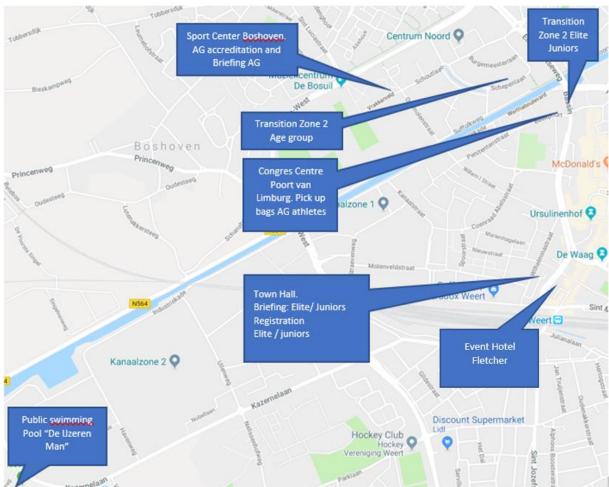
3.4. RACE VENUE

The European Championships will take place in Weert in the Netherlands (Province Limburg) ,with the swim being held in the Lake named popularly known as the blue lake. An Info Point is located in the Event Area. Event participants are encouraged to spend time at the Event Venue familiarizing themselves with the venue and the Expo which is located at the Bassin, 6001 GZ Weert, Netherlands.





3.5. FIND YOUR WAY IN WEERT



3.6. TRAVEL & ACCOMMODATION

For all Travel & Accommodation enquiries please contact our partner VVV-Midden Limburg.

Are you visiting or participating in the 2019Triathlon European Championships Weert? Book your overnight stay or multi-day stay near this great event now.

VVV-Midden Limburg is the preferred partner for your stay. VVV-Midden Limburg will provide accommodation for athletes, individuals, Sports

Federations, country teams and of course for the fans.

We are also your tourist and recreational partner in the run-up to the 2019 Triathlon European Championships Weert.

Please contact us via the reservations department:

T: +31 (0) 475-330289

E: reservering@vvvmiddenlimburg.nl

We will gladly accommodate you or your team.







3.7. VISAS

If you require a letter of invitation to apply for a visa, please contact <u>info@triathlonbond.nl</u> and provide the following details: Full name as in passport, Date of Birth, Capacity/Role in which you come to the European Championships (Athlete, Coach, Official), Passport Number, Date of Arrival, Date of Departure.

3.8. OFFICIAL HOTEL

The Official Host Hotel will be Fletcher Hotel Weert. The ETU Presidential Congress will be held in the Town Hall of Weert. The ETU Office will be in the Congress Center Poort van Limburg.

3.9. ARRIVING BY PLANE

Five airports are located near Weert:



As you can see in the image above, the city of Weert is centrally located. Is easily retrievable from different airports, at all airports it is possible to rent a car. You have also the possibility to travel by public transport to Weert (Dusseldorf & Brussels can be more difficult).

3.10. AIRPORT TRANSFERS

We can also provide you the option of Kupers Travel Weert who can arrange the transport to and from airports, this is NOT free of charge and must be paid by the athletes or National Federations. In order to arrange your transfer don't forget to mention the arrival time, arrival airport, flight number, number of people, number of bikes,...... Other transfer options are also possible but these have to be arranged by the Athletes themselves in this case the LOC doesn't take any responsibility.

info@reisboekingscentrale.nl

Kelvinstraat 1 6003 DH Weert +31888900600

3.11. ARRIVING BY TRAIN

Forget the traffic jams and the sat-nav. Why drive around in circles when you can arrive in style on a train? Hop abroad a train from anywhere in Europe and sit back and relax, Weert is located to the intercity railway net and is very easy assessable from Amsterdam and Utrecht where most of the International trains arrive. All hotels, B&B etc. are close to the station in Weert and possible they are willing to arrange transport. The Dutch Railways run a network of trains, which stop several times daily/hour in Weert.

Dutch Railway Website: https://www.ns.nl/





3.12. ARRIVING BY CAR

The city of Weert is located in the southern part of the Netherlands, approximately 10Km from Belgian Border & 25Km from the German border. And is located directly to the main highway A2 from Amsterdam to Maastricht.

From the North

- A2 towards Maastricht
- Exit 38 Weert North or Exit 39 Nederweert
- Travelling time from Amsterdam approx. 1 ½ h

From the West (B)

- E34- A67 Antwerpen Eindhoven
- Junction Leenderheide toward Maastricht A2
- Exit 38 Weert North

Or

- Exit 39 Nederweert
- Take ringbaan North direction Weert
- Travelling time from Antwerpen approx. 1 ¼ h

From the East

- Bundesautobahn A52 from Dusseldorf towards Roermond
- N280 towards Weert
- Traveling from Dusseldorf Approx. 1 h

From the South

- A2 towards Eindhoven- Amsterdam
- Exit 40 Kelpen-Oler
- N280 direction Weert

Or

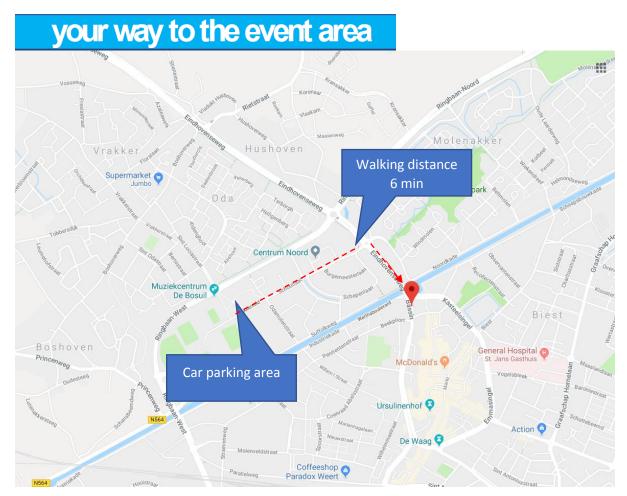
- Exit 39 Nederweert
- Take ringbaan North direction Weert
- Travelling time from Maastricht. approx. 45 min

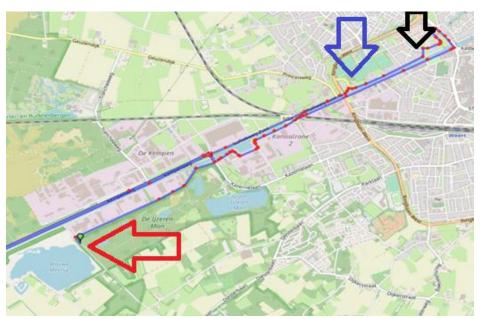
3.13. CAR PARKING

At about 5 minutes walking distance from the finish Area we have provided sufficient parking space. follow the signs for parking along the access roads. There is no car parking at the blue lake buses will be provided to get to and from the blue lake.









Bus stop overview.

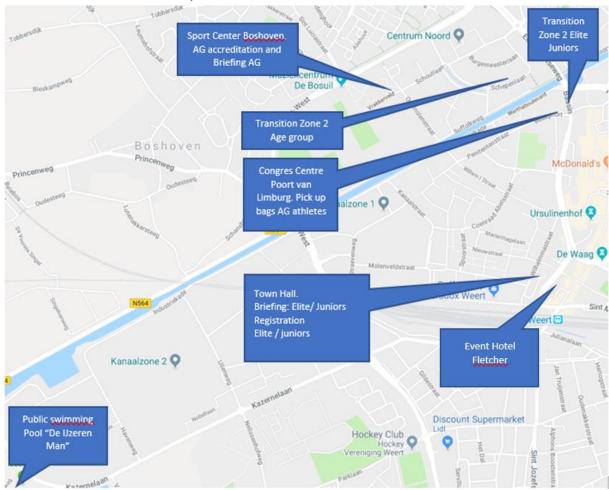




4. ATHLETES SERVICES

During the event the central hub of information is the Info Point at the Event Area Bassin.

4.1. ATHLETES SERVICE AREA / EVENT OFFICE



In the Event area you can find the following services and facilities:

- Info Point (Limburg Promotion).
- ETU Office
- LOC Office

The address is:

Poort van Limburg Werthaboulevard 1

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6001 HZ Weert

Netherlands

4.2. INFO POINT

We aim to answer all questions in this Athletes Handbook. Should you have further queries that are not answered in this document or to which you can't find the answer then please feel free to visit the Information Point (Limburg Promotion) at the Event Area. The Info Desk will also be the location where lost property will be collected and distributed.





4.3. ACCREDITATION

The LOC will provide to all the Organizing Committee Members, ITU Technical Officials, Athletes, VIPs, media, technical staff, court personnel, volunteers, etc. with an official Accreditation Card.

The safety and security of our guests is our highest priority. To contribute to that, to make the accreditation process more efficient and to be compliant with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) we have chosen the online platform Accredion as our accreditation partner.

https://triathlon.accredion.com/

During registration the Athletes, coaches will receive their accreditation.

Only accredited people will be allowed to access certain venue areas. Accreditation Cards provide access to specific areas of the competition areas.

All accredited people are requested to carry their Accreditation Cards with them at all times and to show them upon request. Accreditation Cards are mandatory to enter the venue.

Remember that coaches and team medicals have to register through ITU, otherwise there will be no accreditation for them.

4.4. BAG DROP

At Registration you will receive a sticker for your bag. On race days you can leave your bag with your personal sticker at the Bag Drop Tent in the event area (blue lake and will be transported towards Athlete Lounge) Only Small Bags and backpacks are allowed and stickers should attached no sticker is no transport. We assume no liability for lost objects.

Athletes are reminded that baggage CANNOT be left in transition. Any non-competition equipment left in transition can be removed by a technical official.

4.5. SHOWERS

We operate a limited number of showers at the Sportpark FC ODA. These showers are available on race days only to those participants competing on that day.

4.6. BIKE MECHANIC SERVICE

There will be an Bike Mechanic in the Athlete Lounge TZ blue lake.

Sander Erkens bike Mechanic

Phone number: +31646143069

E-mail <u>sander@fietstechniek.eu</u>
Website: http://fietstechniek.eu/

4.7. MEDICAL SERVICES

First Aid and Emergency Medical Services will be available at the Registration area before and during the training sessions and during the race. There will be First Aid and Emergency Medical Services at the Race Village on competition day.

Medical and Paramedical personnel will be available throughout the race. Several ambulances will be available to provide emergency transfers to a nearby hospital. A medical area will be provided on site at the finish area.





Medical services at the venue are free of charge. Treatment in private hospitals are to be paid by participants. Athletes / teams should make sure that they have appropriate medical insurance.

Hospital Sint Jans Gasthuis Vogelsbleek 5 6001 BE Weert +31495 572100.

E-mail: info@sjgweert.

Emergency telephone number: 112

4.8. PHOTO SERVICE

A photo service is available during the event – more information will follow how they can be obtained. Within a view days after the event the photos can be downloaded from the Race Result timing homepage.

4.9. LOST AND FOUND

The Lost and Found will be located at the Info Point.

4.10. PHYSIOTHERAPY AND SPORTS MASSAGE

For the entire duration of the City Triathlon Weert, (sports)physiotherapeutic coaching will be available. This will be provided by Topfysiotherapie van der Zanden. They have expertise in coaching (top)sportsmen and --- women, including triathletes. At the finish, physiotherapists will be available for examination, advice and treatment, if required. For information: www.topfysiotherapieweert.nl.

During the City Triathlon Weert, sports massage will be provided at the finish. Sports massage will be organized by Topfysiotherapie van der Zanden. When required, there will always be a prior consultation between a physiotherapist and a sports masseur/masseuse. In the event of injuries, you can report to the physiotherapist at the finish. Check ww.topfysiotherapieweert.nl.





5. THE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS EXPO

A sport and lifestyle Expo experience is not to be missed! A few of the best brands will be on display with all their products and services linked to sport and fitness.

The following partners will be exhibiting at the race venue:

- Bioracer <u>www.bioracer.com</u>
- Arena www.arenawaterinstinct.com
- Endless pools <u>www.endlesspools.com</u>
- TriathlonWinkel.nl <u>www.triathlonwinkel.nl</u>
- Bye sportvoeding www.b-y-e.nl





6. TRAINING

6.1. SWIMMING POOL

The swimming pool is located outside the Centre of Weert. Age Group Athletes must show their accreditation or Athlete ID at the reception. Access to the pools is free for EC Athletes during the published periods. The maximum number of swimmers per lane is six. Pool tickets are available on a "first come first serve" basis.

- Lanes cannot be reserved in advance!
- Request for swim practice can be send to reservering@vvvmiddenlimburg.nl
- Dates & Time schedule will be announced on short notice.

Swimming Pool-Opening Hours				
Swimming Pool (entire Pool is reserved for EC Athletes)	Monday Time to be announced			
	Tuesday Time to be announced			
	Wednesday Time to be announced			
	Thursday Time to be announced			
	Friday Time to be announced			



Geurtsvenweg 1 6006 SN Weert Nederland +31 495 537 170

6.2. THE BLUE LAKE

An part of the blue lake is closed to the public during race times. Swimming is allowed before and after the races you have access by showing accreditation or Athlete ID, there is an possibility that the owner will ask for entrance fee. During these practice sessions no lifeguard will be available and is on own risk

6.3. BIKE AND RUN COURSE

The Bike and Run Course is closed to traffic during the races. No individual training allowed. Bike and run training is allowed before and after the races. Roads are not closed to traffic for training sessions. Please keep to the right and ride carefully.





On your way towards the Centre of Weert you have to use the Bike path that is beside the road, reason for this is that you're not allowed to drive on this road with your bike before the race, only during the race this is allowed.

The surroundings of Weert are very well known for their good infrastructure and good roads. There are no specific closed courses but there are sufficient opportunities in the area that can be used for long duration rides, there are also sufficient run facilities in Forest and roads. '

Thursday 30-May-2019	
10:00 - 12:00	Familiarization Swim, Bike & Run





7. RACE REGISTRATION

7.1. RACE REGISTRATION AND UNIFORM CHECK

To take part in the Rabobank 2019 Weert ETU Triathlon European Championships all athletes are required to register in person on site at the Town Hall and collect their race package.

OPERATING HOURS:

Thursday 30-May-2019	
16:00 -17:00	Registration / Race Package Pickup

7.2. REGISTRATION CHECKLIST

Prior to registration, all athletes must have photographic Identification – in order to collect your race packet you must present your photographic identification to a registration official. Failure to do so will result in you not being able to register for the event. The following identification documents are permitted:

- passport
- driver's license
- triathlon license or similar.

PLEASE NOTE: You MUST register in person. If you are unable to attend registration you must inform the LOC. Team managers can register for athletes if arranged with the LOC. Athlete Waiver must be signed at race packet pickup. The waiver form can be download from the ETU webpage of by clicking here.

Athletes who arrive late for registration should proceed to the Information Desk in the Event Area. Upon exiting registration all athletes should check if they have the race materials required for their event, which includes:

- Decals
- Sticker sheet (3 helmet stickers, bike seat post sticker, bag sticker)
- Accreditation card incl. lanyards (for access to transition)

On the day of the races the Elite & Junior Athletes will receive the envelopes with from the ETO Official, which includes:

- Swim cap
- Timing Chip

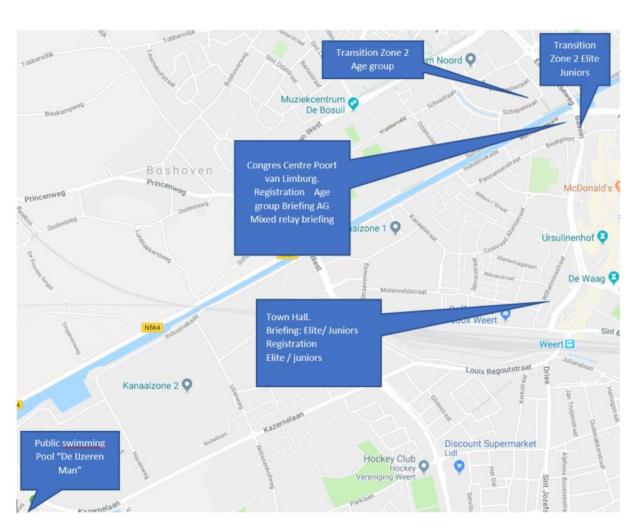




7.3. RACE BRIEFING

It is the responsibility of the Athlete to attend briefing. The briefing notes will be uploaded to the ETU website immediately after they have been delivered to team managers and/or coaches.

RACE BRIEFING Provisiona			
Thursday 30-May-2019	17:15 -17:45	Race briefing Elite & Juniors	Town Hall







Address: Event Hotel Fletcher Hotel Weert Driesveldlaan 99 6001 KC Weert, Nederland



Adress: Town Hall Wilhelminasingel 101, 6001 GS Weert, Nederland

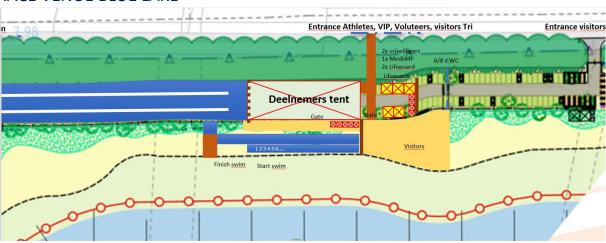






8. TRANSITION AND CHECK-IN/CHECK-OUT TIMES

8.1. RACE VENUE BLUE LAKE



8.2. TRANSITION CHECK-IN/BIKE RACKING PROCESS

Athletes are asked to make their way to the Transition Area in line with their scheduled timeslot (to be announced, section 8.4). On entering the Transition Area, athletes must have the following items:

- Bike incl. saddle sticker
- Helmet with stickers in place must be worn and fastened as you enter transition
- Decals
- Uniform
- Accreditation
- Additional race equipment

All athletes will have their helmets, bike, uniform, and Decals checked by a technical official on entering the transition area. We therefore ask all competitors to be wearing their helmets and have their Decals showing as they enter the transition area. All helmets and bikes must be stickered up with the correct stickers distributed in the race packs during registration. Athletes are asked to set up their transition space so that it does not infringe on any other competitors space besides them. Small sized equipment boxes will be made available by the LOC. Attention: These boxes are the property of the LOC and MUST STAY in the Transition Area. Your uniform will be checked by technical officials to ensure it conforms with ITU uniform rules. Athletes are only permitted to race in the national federations approved uniforms.

8.3. BODY NUMBERING

The Local Organizing Committee will provide body marking or body marking decals, who will apply them prior to the event;

Body markings are to be applied to each arm and calfs, unless instructed otherwise by the ITU Technical Delegate at the briefing;

Body markings and/or decals using multiple digits will have numbers appearing one above the other, not side by side;





8.4. CHECK IN TIMES

Please see schedule below.

The check-in in T2 for elite Women and Men will be done by storing your run gear in a box and hand it over to the Technical Officials. The TOs will place your gear after the end of the junior races accordingly.

European Championship Transition					
	Check-In Junior Women & Elite Women				
Friday 31 May 2019 TZ 1 (blue lake)14:30 TZ 2 (Bassin)13:30 Junior Women					
Friday 31 May 2019	TZ 1 (blue lake)16:30	TZ 2 (Bassin)15:30	Elite Women		

European Championship Transition					
	Check-In Junior Men & Elite Men				
Saturday 01 June 2019 TZ 1 (blue lake)14:30 TZ 2 (Bassin)13:30 Junior Wome					
Saturday 01 June 2019	TZ 1 (blue lake)16:30	TZ 2 (Bassin)15:30	Elite Women		

8.5. CHECK-OUT

Transition check out in Transition 2 will take place after the final athlete has crossed the finish line.

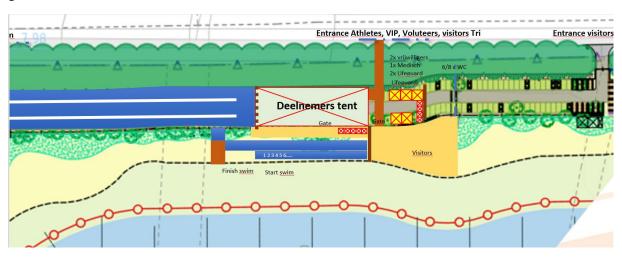




9. START PROCEDURE - RACE AND VENUE FLOW

The pre-start area is located at the beach between the fence which divides the beach from the Athlete tent. Swim warm up will be available from 15:15-15:35 h Juniors & 17:15-17:35 h Elite

At the start of the race, athletes will be lined up by technical officials and introduced by the speaker to go to the start.







10. AGE GROUP OLYMPIC DISTANCE COMPETITION

10.1. SWIM COURSE

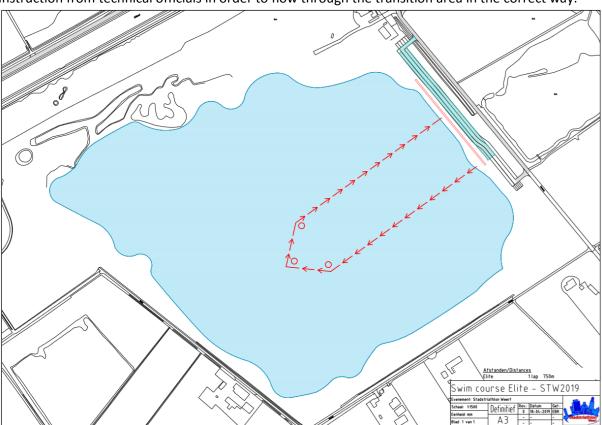
Athletes will start in the water and follow the instructions of the race starter.

The swim course for elite is an 750 m lap which has to be swum two times.

For the juniors there is an 750 m which has to be swum one time.

Athletes will swim in an clockwise direction.

At the end of the swim, athletes will leave the water using the swim exit ramp on the beach. At the swim exit, and run 50 m on a carpet way in order to access the transition zone. Athletes will follow instruction from technical officials in order to flow through the transition area in the correct way.





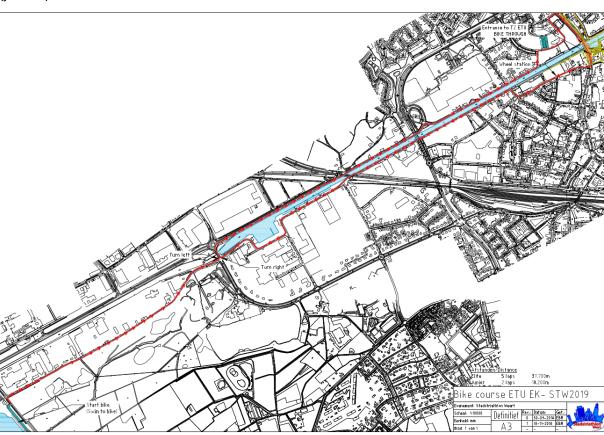


10.2. BIKE COURSE

The 1.5Km (elite) & 750 m (juniors) swim is followed by a fast bike course.

After exiting the TA in the direction the sluice, at the sluice you'll take an left and on the roundabout take an right then a very fast and straight section towards the city Centre of Weert will follow. After reaching the event area after the first part / run-up part of the bike course it's followed by 5 laps (elite) & 2 laps (juniors) of 6.4Km.

The bike leg consists of one run-up part 5.8 km and five 6.4Km loops for Elite and two 6.4Km loops (juniors)







10.3. RUN COURSE

The race concludes for the Juniors with two 2.5 Km loops run is flat and 100% asphalt on goes partly on the bike course.

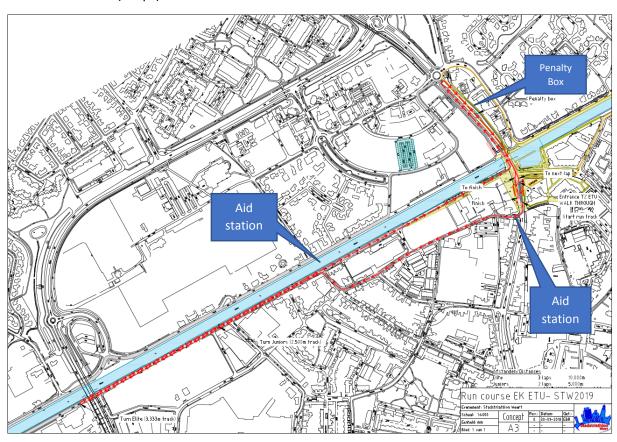
The Elite race concludes three 3.3 Km loops run is flat and 100% asphalt on goes partly on the bike course.

The Junior Sprint distance European Championship will be as follows:

- 750 m swim (1 lap);
- 18.6Km bike (1 run-up lap + 2 laps);
- 5Km run (2 lap).

The Elite Olympic Distance European Championship will be as follows:

- 1.5Km swim (2 laps);
- 37.8Km bike (1 run-up lap + 5 laps);
- 10Km run (3 laps).



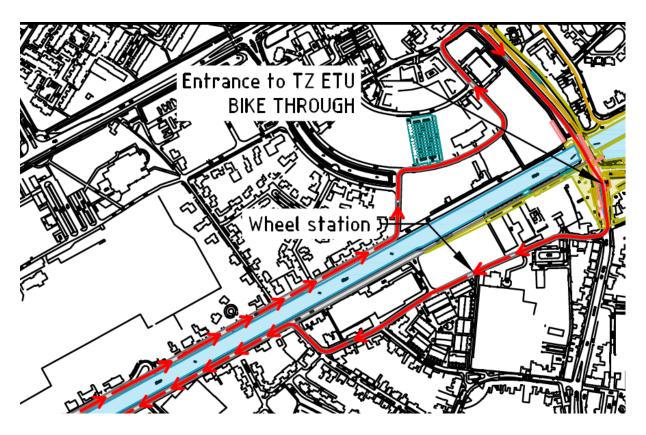




10.4. BIKE COURSE

Note: drafting is allowed.

The official Bike Course Video can be found on our **YouTube**-channel.



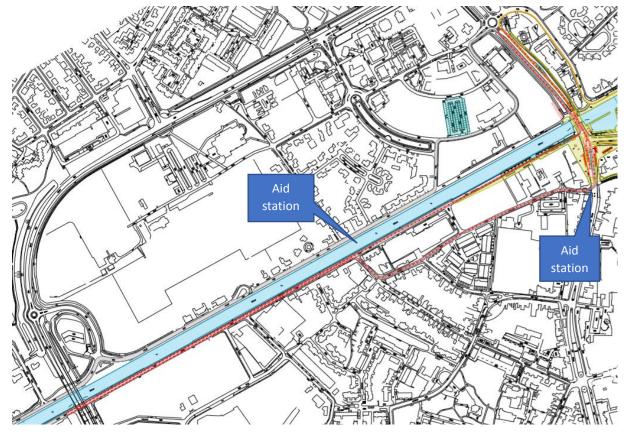
10.5. RUN COURSE AND AID STATIONS

The run course starts with a short run-up part approximately 200 mtr before you reach the run course. The run consists of four laps of 2.45 km.

There is a total of 2 Aid Stations on the run course. There will be designated litter zones on the cycle and run courses where athletes will be able to dispose of litter. The litter zones start 20 meters before an Aid Station and end 80m after an Aid Station. Large signs mark the start and end of the littering zones.







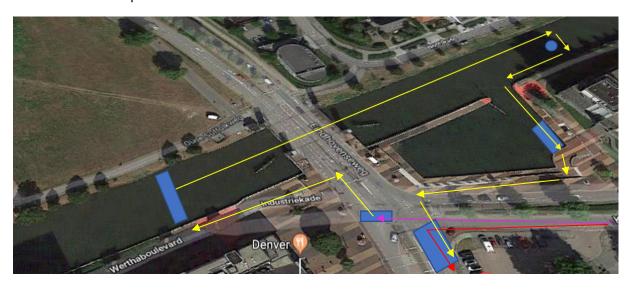
Detailed information about locations aid stations on run course.



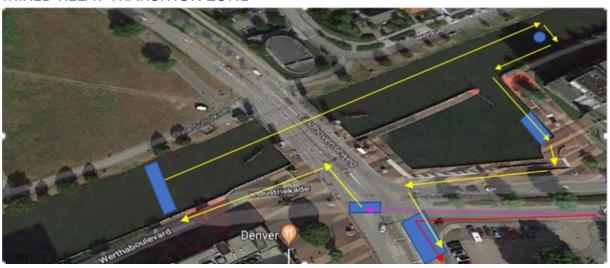


10.6. MIXED RELAY

Swim Course one lap 250 m with Pontoon start.



10.7. MIXED RELAY TRANSITION ZONE







10.8. MIXED RELAY BIKE COURSE 1 LAP 6.4 KM.



10.9. MIXED RELAY RUN COURSE 2 LAPS 1.4 KM





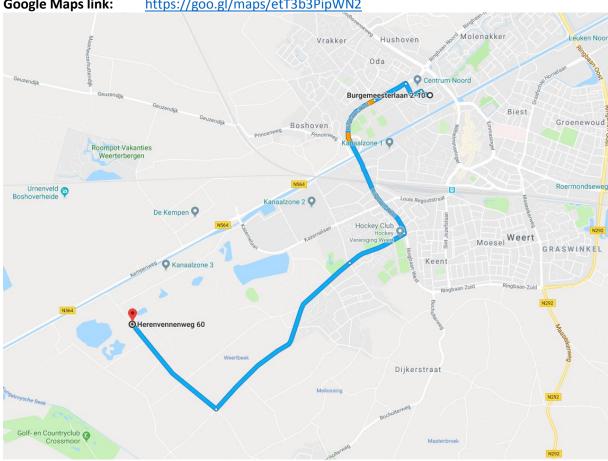


10.10. TRAVEL DIRECTIONS TOWARDS BLUE LAKE

Directions TZ2 to TZ1 by car

appx. 7.0 km Distance: **Travel time:** appx. 10 minutes

https://goo.gl/maps/etT3b3PipWN2 Google Maps link:



Written directions

- 1. Head west on Burgemeesterlaan toward Schoutlaan, drive 120m.
- 2. Turn left onto Schoutlaan, drive 95m.
- 3. Turn right to stay on Schoutlaan, drive 28m.
- 4. Turn right onto Gouverneurlaan, drive 130m.
- 5. Turn left onto Ringbaan-Noord, drive 400m.
- 6. Continue onto Ringbaan-West, go through 2 roundabouts, drive 1.8km.
- 7. At the third roundabout, take the 1st exit onto Parklaan, drive 700m.
- 8. Continue onto Diesterbaan, drive 2.3km.
- 9. Turn right onto Herenvennenweg, drive 1.4km.
- 10. You've reached the destination.

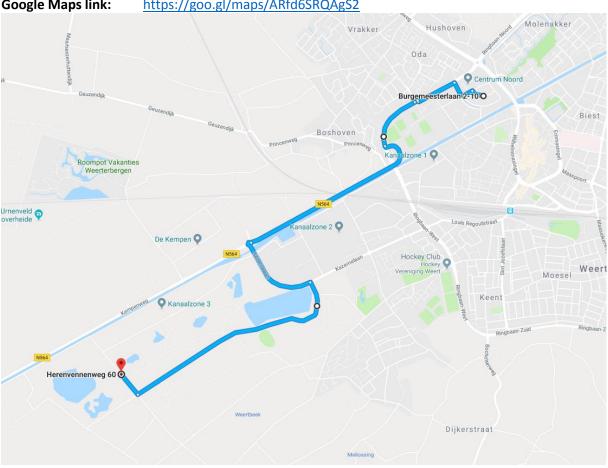




Direction TZ2 to TZ1 by bike

Distance: appx. 6.4km **Travel time:** appx. 21 minutes

Google Maps link: https://goo.gl/maps/ARfd6SRQAgS2



Written directions

- 1. Head west on Burgemeesterlaan toward Schoutlaan, bike 120m.
- 2. Turn left onto Schoutlaan, bike 95m.
- 3. Turn right to stay on Schoutlaan, bike 28m.
- 4. Turn right onto Gouverneurlaan, bike 120m.
- 5. Turn left toward Ringbaan-Noord, bike 400m.
- 6. Continue onto Ringbaan-West, bike 500m.
- 7. At the roundabout, take the bikelane next to the bridge down (See red arrow on Map) to suffolkweg, It's obligated to use the bikelane bike approx. 1.8km.
- 8. At the roundabout, take the 3rd exit onto Kazernelaan, It's obligated to use the bikelane bike approx., bike 850m.
- 9. Turn right onto Voorhoeveweg, bike 2.2km.
- 10. Turn right onto Herenvennenweg, bike 240m.
- 11. You've reached the destination.





10.11. RESULTS

Results will be uploaded live at the events official website. All the results information will be available to the Team Managers at the Information Desk. Results will also be on display after the race at the Information Desk in the Athlete Service Area. Our official timing partner will be RACE RESULT Timing, which offer live timing for all races.

11. RULES AND APPEALS

11.1. COMPETITION RULES

The Rabobank Weert Triathlon European Championships will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the ITU. The ITU competition rules can be found using the following web link: http://www.triathlon.org/uploads/docs/itusport competitionrules_2017.pdf

11.2. APPEALS AND PROTESTS

The race referee will post penalties at the post finish/ recovery area. For either a protest or an appeal, ITU rules will be followed. The appeal or protest has to be submitted to the Race referee and the ITU Competition Jury will meet to discuss. The full rules for appeal can be found using the following web link: http://www.triathlon.org/uploads/docs/ITU Disciplinary Procedures Rules 20160708.pdf





12. MEDAL CEREMONIES

The Goal is to do the medal ceremony immediately after the last athlete has finished.





13. OPENING & CLOSING CEREMONIES AND SIDE EVENTS

13.1. OPENING CEREMONY - THURSDAY 30 TH MAY

All athletes and team officials are invited to take part in the European Championship Opening Ceremony in Weert on Thursday, May 30th.

The Opening Ceremony will mark the grand opening of the 2019 Rabobank Weert ETU Triathlon European Championships. There will be a Parade of Nations in which all athletes are asked to participate. The opening ceremony will start whit an Flag Parade and starts from the ciry centrum of Weert at the church at 18:00 hrs.

CLOSING Party - Sunday 02th June

The Closing Party on Sunday will be held in the Poort van Limburg. All athletes, coaches, friends, volunteers, and media members are invited to join this get together for a night of DJ music, drinks and celebrations. The party starts at 8 pm. The opening ceremony will start at 18:30 hrs at the Bassin (finish area)





SEE YOU IN WEERT AND WISH YOU UNFORGETABLE DAYS DURING THE THIS YEARS EUROPEANS!

