

# UIPM 2025 Pentathlon U17 World Championships Johannesburg, SOUTH AFRICA 17-20 July 2025

# INVITATION LETTER

Dear Friends,

The UIPM – Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne, together with the South African Modern Pentathlon Association (SAMPA), has the pleasure of inviting a delegation from your country to participate in the **UIPM 2025 Pentathlon U17 World Championships** to be held in Johannesburg, South Africa, from 17 – 20 July 2025 according to the following program:

15-16 Jul	Arrival of Delegations		
16 Jul	16:00	Technical Meeting – Women's Qualifications	Reddam House
	17:30	Welcome Dinner	Indaba Hotel
17 Jul		Women's Qualifications	
	10:00	Fencing/Obstacle/Swimming/Laser Run	Reddam House
	19:00	Technical Meeting – Men's Qualification	Reddam House
18 Jul		Men's Qualifications	
	10:00	Fencing/Obstacle/Swimming/Laser Run	Reddam House
	19:00	Technical Meeting – Women Final	Reddam House
19 Jul	Women's Final		
	10:00	Fencing/Obstacle/Swimming/Laser Run	Reddam House
	19:00	Technical Meeting – Men Final	Reddam House
20 Jul		Men's Final	
	10:00	Fencing/Obstacle/Swimming/Laser Run	Reddam House
21 Jul	Departure of Delegations		

Note: Detailed times to be confirmed. The Technical Meeting for the women's and men's Finals may be merged. You will be advised on this matter as part of the detailed timetable.

## **COMPETITION FORMAT/RULES**

The competition will be carried out according to the UIPM Rules and Regulations.

Swimming: 25m Indoor pool /10 lanes

Fencing: 10 pistes indoor

Laser Run: 36+2 shooting range with laser targets (EcoAims LTS600PRO)

Running Course: Grass surface

Obstacle: Outdoor straight-line, grass surface



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## **COMPETITION VENUES**

Fencing, Obstacle, Swimming, and Laser Run will be held at the Reddam House Helderfontein.

Address: Reddam House, Helderfontein, 1 Chattan Rd, Zevenfontein 407-Jr, Midrand, Johannesburg, 2191 (https://maps.app.goo.gl/jL7hpUTUhYa4iu1f9)

Web: https://www.helderfontein.reddamhouse.com/

## WELCOME DINNER

All athletes, coaches, officials and supporters are invited to a welcome dinner at The Chief's Boma at the Indaba Hotel on the evening of 16 July 2025 from 17:30. The Chief's Boma restaurant offers an authentic African dining experience. Set in a vibrant setting, the restaurant provides a warm and lively atmosphere where guests can savour the rich flavours of Africa while listening to the Indaba's Marimba band and the sounds of African Drums. In addition, you will experience a traditional African Handwashing with a refreshing welcome drink.

## The Indaba Hotel, Conference Centre & Spa - Chief's Boma

The cost of the welcome dinner is included in the accommodation package. Delegates not making use of the accommodation package are welcome to attend the welcome dinner at a cost of 25€ per person.

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

Participants will be accommodated at the Indaba Hotel (4\* hotel) located in Fourways, Johannesburg. The Technical Meeting will be at Reddam House Helderontein and the LOC Office will be located at the Indaba Hotel.

Rooms are reserved on a first registered first served basis. Indaba Hotel, Spa and Conference Centre, www.sapentathlon.org.za.

The Indaba Hotel offers the following rooms:

- Single room (1 x large bed\*)
- Double room sharing (2 x medium beds\*\*)
- Triple room sharing (2 x medium beds\*\* plus 1 x small bed\*\*\*)

#### **WARNING**

Should a minor athlete be in need to share the hotel accommodation with another adult athlete (18+) or with an accompanying adult (e.g., Coach) it is required for such arrangement to be supported by the prior written consent of the parents/legal guardian of each of the minors. Providing the requested written consent is a must for checking in the competition hotel(s). In addition, minor athletes sharing rooms must be of the same gender.



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<sup>\*</sup> Large bed = 183cm x 188cm

<sup>\*\*</sup> Medium bed = 152cm x 188cm

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Small bed = 91cm x 188cm



#### **TRANSPORT**

LOC guarantees transportation from the OR Tambo International and Lanseria International airports to the official hotel and the return journey on the arrival. Delegates will be transported in shared transport, where practical. The maximum waiting hours at the airport will be 1 hour.

Transportation from the Official Hotels to the competition venue for delegations will be arranged according to the competition program.

#### **FINANCIAL CONDITIONS**

For delegations (athletes, coaches, officials, supporters) reserving the accommodation package, the prices are as follows:

Room	Costs/night/person Before 16 May 2025	Costs/night/person After 16 May 2025
Single	€160 (EUR)	€180 (EUR)
Double	€130 (EUR)	€150 (EUR)
Triple	€120 (EUR)	€140 (EUR)

- Limited rooms are available at the competition hotel; therefore, we recommend that you
  register for the event as soon as possible to increase your chances of securing a room at the
  competition hotel. Late registrations may need to be accommodated at our overflow hotel (5
  bus drive minutes away).
- This price includes full board accommodation, local transportation (from the competition hotel, including airport transfers) and the welcome dinner.
- Delegations wishing to arrange their own accommodation must pay an accreditation fee per participant (athlete, coach or official) to the LOC. The amount of the Accreditation fee is set at EUR 50 per day per person, a minimum payment of 3 days. For this, we will provide lunch for the competition days and allow access to official transportation between the competition hotel and competition sites.
- The check-out hour is 10.00 am. If the delegates wish to stay for a longer period, they will be required to pay additionally for accommodation and/or meals (½ day). Please inform the LOC about the extension of the extra day and extra meal.
- In the case of a bank transfer, the head of the delegation must have a confirmation of the transfer with him.
- Spectators are welcome to attend the competition at no charge, however they need to preregister for entry purposes. The detailed process for pre-registration will be shared in due course on our website: www.sapentathlon.org.za.

ATTENTION! All extra costs for bank transfers must be paid by the National Federations. Otherwise, the amount will be invoiced afterward.

Paying cash and credit card upon arrival is only accepted if you have written approval from the LOC to do so and all financial conditions (costs) will be calculated on the prices mentioned above. Payments by cash or credit card will include a 5% levy to cover the associated costs.

As a reminder, if on arrival for the competition, the team has fewer athletes and/or officials than submitted in the registration system and without informing the LOC at least 7 days prior to their arrival, the NF will pay a fine to the Organizing Nation/LOC of 200 Euros for each person not attending.



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At the same time as submitting the final registration all NFs must send to the LOC by electronic bank transfer or other means, 30% of the total amount of their accommodation invoice, otherwise their reservation will not be guaranteed.

Please instruct your accountant to pay the deposit (30%) and final payments into this account:

#### **Bank Account Details:**

Name – South African Modern Pentathlon Association

Bank - First National Bank

SWIFT - FIRNZAJJXXX

Account - 62275894965

Branch code - 250845

For Euro payments, the correspondent bank is: Bank Name: Deutsche Bank Ag - Frankfurt

SWIFT code: DEUTDEFF

#### **DEADLINES**

Delegations are kindly reminded that the UIPM Online registration system is obligatory. The online system will be open from 25 April 2025. All information must be submitted, including flight information, pistol serial numbers and accommodation bookings by 13 June 2025. Any changes after this must be sent by email to the organizer 2025U17WCH@sapentathlon.org.za

Following the closure of the registration system on 17 June 2025, an NF must enter the competition with at least one pentathlete/team per confirmed gender. Any failure to take part having sent their final entries will pay a fine of 600€ to the UIPM.

## **Deadlines are as follows**

Opening of registration:25 April 2025Closure of registration:17 June 2025Deadline to transfer the total amount26 June 2025

If complete information about your delegation or payment confirmation is not receive prior to the closure of the registration system, your delegation will be considered as non-participating.

## **ATHLETES LICENSES**

Athletes are only allowed to participate in UIPM sanctioned events if they are in possession of a valid Athletes License. Registration is not possible without a License Number. If an athlete does not have a license, they will not be allowed to take part in the competition. You are reminded of Rule 1.12.1 i).



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#### **INSURANCE**

According to UIPM Rules, all members of attending delegations should insure themselves in case of accidental injury and illness.

The organizer will not accept any financial liability or loss, injury or illness that occurred to any participant and or member of the delegation.

## **VISAS & VACCINATIONS**

Visiting NFs should confirm visa and vaccination requirements for entry into South Africa prior travelling to the event. The LOC cannot accept responsibility for arranging visas but can provide specific letters of invitation if needed.

For information if you need a visa or vaccinations, please contact your nearest Embassy or Consulate. For contacting LOC use <a href="mailto:2025U17WCH@sapentathlon.org.za">2025U17WCH@sapentathlon.org.za</a>

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

All Participant "athletes, coach or team doctor" are kindly requested to wear their official national uniform at the competition. Please also bring a track/recording of your anthem and a national flag  $(120 \times 80 \text{ cm})$ .

Expected Weather conditions: The average maximum daytime temperature in Johannesburg in July lies at 17°C (62,6°F). The average minimum temperature goes down to around 3°C (37.4°F) (often the minimum temperature is noted at night). There is almost no rainfall in July.

Voltage: 220 V

## LASER PISTOLS/SIMULATORS

The use of laser pistols/simulators are permitted in South Africa, with no specific licensing conditions.

The South African Modern Pentathlon Association is in the process of consulting with the Airports Company of South Africa to provide delegations with detailed guidance on the procedures for arrivals and departures procedures at the competition airports (OR Tambo International and Lanseria International). For delegates transferring via another South African airport, please ensure that you confirm carriage of your laser pistol/simulator with the airline as their rules and regulations differ.



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## **LOC CONTACT DETAILS**

Please contact the LOC directly for any inquiries or questions you may have.

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We look forward to seeing you in Johannesburg.

Best regards,

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