

"TheSHEKO" - 24th November 2024

Rules & Regulations:

1. Participants are required to meet the following cut-off times. 參賽者須於指定時限完成有關賽事。 Race Cut Off time 完成時限為：
 - 400m Race 比賽 : 16 mins 分鐘
 - 1.7km Race 比賽: 55mins 分鐘
 - 3.4km Race 比賽: 110 mins 分鐘; (1.7km checkpoint cut-off : 50mins . 1.7 公里檢查站通過時限 : 50 分鐘)
2. We expect the water temperature to be around 25 degrees on race day, and will be warm enough to race without a wetsuit. If you choose to wear a wetsuit, please select the "wetsuit" category during registration. If swimmers choose to wear wetsuits, their final times will be adjusted by 5.5 minutes for the 3.4km race, 2.5 minutes for the 1.7km race, and 30 seconds for the 400m race. Swimmers are allowed to change wetsuit category not less than 7 days before the race day by paying \$50. No category change is allowed on race day. 我們預計比賽當天的水溫約為 25 度，可以在不穿 wetsuit 的情況下比賽。如果您選擇穿著 wetsuit，請在註冊時選擇「wetsuit」類別。如果運動員選擇穿著 wetsuit，3.4 公里比賽的最終時間將調整 5.5 分鐘，1.7 公里比賽的最終時間將調整 2.5 分鐘，400m 比賽的最終時間將調整 30 秒。游泳選手可以在比賽日前最少 7 日支付 50 元更換 wetsuit 類別。比賽當天不允許更改 wetsuit 類別。
3. No one should join the race unless he/she is physically fit, and in excellent health condition. 參賽者需確保具備良好體能及健康狀態，否則切勿參與此比賽。
4. The organiser reserves the right to request participants to provide proof of competence. Failure to do so will not be allowed to participate in the race. 比賽單位可能要求泳手提供能夠於時限內完成比賽的相關證明，無法提供相關證明者將不獲參加比賽。
5. Participants must obey instructions to kayakers, helpers, and personnel of the race. Failure to do so will not be allowed to participate in the race or will be disqualified. 泳手必須遵從艇手及支援人員的所有比賽安排指示。拒絕遵從者將被取消資格。
6. Participants will take full responsibility and safety during the race. 泳手於比賽期間須為自己的安全負上全部責任。
7. No swimmer is permitted to use any device that may be an aid to their speed or endurance such as fins, or paddles. 泳手於比賽期間不可穿戴任何游泳輔助器具，包括但不限於 fins and paddles。

8. SAFETY BUOYS are mandatory during the ENTIRE race. Failure to do so will not be allowed to participate in the race or will be disqualified. 安全浮波必須於比賽期間全程戴上。違者可者被取消資格。

The Agreement, Waiver, and Release

1. My medical status, physical ability, training, and fitness are capable and of a certain level to participate in the “TheSHEKO”
2. I am voluntarily participating in the “TheSHEKO.” I am aware of the inherent risks and potential hazards associated with participating in “TheSHEKO” and in general, the activity of open water swimming, which may include but are not limited to physical or psychological injury, pain, suffering, illness, disfigurement, temporary or permanent disability (including paralysis), economic or emotional loss, and/or death. I understand that these injuries or outcomes may arise from my own or others’ actions, inaction, or negligence; or the condition of the open water swimming location. Nonetheless, I assume all related risks of my participation in this race, both known or unknown to me.
3. I hereby release and hold harmless SWIM BIKE RUN CLUB (“SBRC”) or Open Water Swim Series Hong Kong (“OWSSHK”) and/or its volunteers and/or other organizations, and/or governmental departments directly or indirectly related to the training against any and all liability or damages for any claim or action arising directly or indirectly from the personal injury or death of myself or any other person as a result of my participation in “TheSHEKO”. If I require medical treatment, I agree to be financially responsible for any costs incurred as a result of such treatment.
4. In consideration of being permitted to participate in “TheSHEKO” on behalf of myself and my next of kin, heirs, and representatives, I release from any and all liability and undertake not to bring legal action against “SBRC” / “OWSSHK” and/or its volunteers and/or other organizations including but not limited to “SBRC” / “OWSSHK” and/or government departments directly or indirectly related to the race for any and all claims, including negligence, resulting in any physical or psychological injury (including paralysis and death), illness, damages, or economic or emotional loss.
5. The organizer has the right to change the race course & distance or arrangement or to cancel the race. There will be no refund in any of the circumstances.

PARTICIPANTS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE THEIR PARENT SIGN:

Parent / Guardian Waiver for Minor (UNDER 18 YEARS OLD):

The undersigned parent and natural guardian or legal guardian does hereby represent that he/she is, in fact, acting in such capacity and agrees to save and hold harmless and indemnify each and all of the parties referred to above from all liability, loss, cost, claim or damage

whatsoever which may be imposed upon said parties because of any defect in or lack of such capacity to act or arise from negligence, and release said parties on behalf of the minor and the parents or legal guardian.