

Environmental Policy

European Junior Championships 25 June – 8 July 2018 Helsinki and Tampere (EJC2018)

European Junior Championships environmental policy embodies the competitions at Mäkelänrinne swimming center (swimming and diving) in Helsinki. It also includes the preparatory work on the premises of Finnish Swimming Association. Our environmental policy will also be utilized at Tampere Swimming Center when applicable. The Championships for synchronized "artistic" swimming takes place in Tampere.

Environmental work - starting point and procedures

We recognize the environmental impact of these events and we aim, by our actions, to support the idea of sustainable development. Our goal is to pay attention to environmental matters when subcontracting services, influencing the mobility of the audiences, to take in consideration the energy consumption when using water and to increase the knowledge of the environmental awareness among our event visitors, co-operation partners, staff and volunteers.

The most considerable environmental impacts are connected to influencing our stakeholders by giving out relevant information in our communications. We utilize social media and web pages as main information channels. When producing signs and labels, we try to borrow existing signs and when making new ones, we intend to use the same signs in both Diving and Swimming competitions.

Another major positive environmental impact is to use tap water. All competitors will have their own, uniquely for EJC2018 designed water bottle, which they can personalize by writing their name on it. The reusable bottles can be refilled in several tap water places around the venues. At the venues, we inform about the clean, safe and good tasting tap water we have in Finland.

Third big environmental impact, where we can to influence the environment, is competition transportation. We will use public transportation (mainly tram in Helsinki and bus in Tampere) for transportation between the hotel and the venue whenever possible. The head organization for swimming in Europe (LEN) has aligned that there cannot be any changes when using public transportation in the Championships. That is why at some hotels, we will have busses organized by the local competition office, driving the athletes to the venues and back. Even at these locations you will be informed about the possibility to use public transportation.

We care about our environment.

