

Annexe 4: Specific rules Parallel race

The Parallel – course is a competition in which two divers compete against one another in a K.O. – system. The winner qualifies for the next round. The loser is out of the competition. The competition should be done within one day if possible.

Competition:

There is one start signal for both competitors.

In accordance to drawing 1 the two competitors have to round their buoy, find their orientation point within 3 minutes and dive through the marked area of the finish line. The competitor who correctly passes the finish line first advances into the next round. The loser is out of the race. The time has to be taken for each competitor.

The winner of a run must automatically swim in the next run on the side A. If this position is already occupied by the previous run, he swims on the position B.

In case that both competitors are out of the race because they did not complete the race correctly their following starting position is filled by the fastest loser. (Lucky loser) If this is not possible the starting position remains vacant.

If the lucky loser rule is applied and these athletes have the same swim time, the athlete who had the faster swim time in the previous heat will have the right to start.

Winner is the competitor who wins the final race. If both finalists are out of the race the fastest of the semi-final wins the competition.

The third place goes to the athlete who is the fastest loser from the previous semi-finals. If both competitors don't finish the course correctly, the time on the orientation point will determine the winner.

In case of a time equal:

- There must be a finish line judge, who is responsible to decide in case of a time equal who is the first competitor.
- This judge is named at the team leader conference.
- The result list must have an information about this decision.
- In case, that the judge can't make a decision the competitors have swim another round with changing the sides.

Ranking:

The rank-list is established as follows:

1. place winner final
2. place loser final
3. place fastest loser semi-final
4. place 2nd loser semi-final

Points:

First round:

Rounding buoy 1 correct:	100 points
Point 1 correct:	250 points
<u>Finish line correct:</u>	<u>1600 points</u>
Total points after correct first round:	1950 points

The competitor who reaches the next round gets an extra bonus of 50 points.

The winner of the final gets a bonus of 50 points too.

Competitors, who do not reach the next round, are ranked after their time.

Competitors do not get points during the qualification rounds.

Competition course

The course consists of two opposing single courses, course A and course B, which are equal in length and reflected. Each of the single courses consists of:

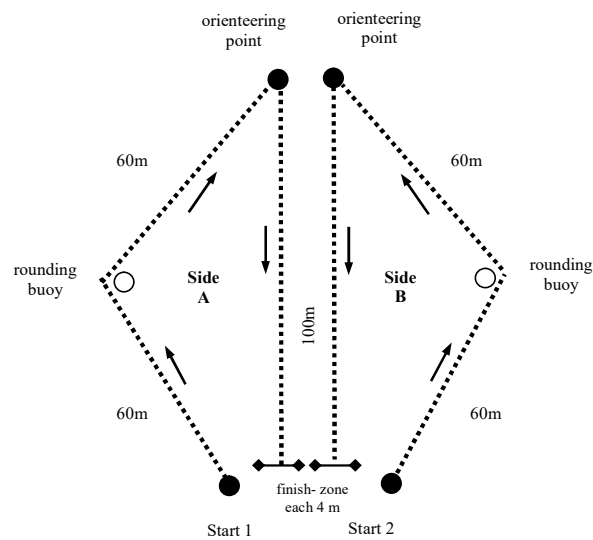
- 1 Start buoy,
- 1 rounding buoy
- 1 orientation point
- a finish line

Each single course has a total length of 220m (without the rounding). The width of the finish line has to be 4 m. The finish zones of both individual courses are in one line. The distance between the orientation points has to be at least 10m and at the most 20m.

The start interval is 2 minutes and may be changed by the organiser if necessary.

The organiser can use fixed points to indicate the finish zone. In this case is it a correct finish of the competitor, when his buoy touch one part of a fixed point.

General diagram for the Parallel Course



Starting order:

A maximum of 8 athletes (each category) can compete in this discipline after a qualification run. The starting list is drawn up according to the next table. If the number of starting competitors does not completely fill the schema, the next smaller scheme is to choose. A qualification is necessary if more athletes want to participate as starting places are available.

Qualification:

All competitors of one category (e.g. women or men) have to swim the same side. The side is selected by the organizer. The competitors are ordered after their reached swimming time, if the competitors have the same finish time, the time on the orientation point will determine the order in the qualification

