



Swim Party 10km Algarve 2026

Official regulations, program & safety information

Event identification

Date: 12 September 2026

Discipline: Open Water Swimming (Águas Abertas – AA)

Meeting point races:

10km solo & trio: **05:45 – Caneiros Beach**

5km: **7:45 – Caneiros Beach**

Starts:

- 10km Swim – **Benagil Beach | 07:00**
- 5km Swim – **Carvoeiro Beach | 09:00**

Finish location all races:

Caneiros Beach, Lagoa, Algarve

1. Event overview

General Description

Welcome to the 3rd edition of Swim Party 10km Algarve, an open-water swimming event taking place along the Algarve coastline, from Benagil Beach to Caneiros Beach, offering a unique A-to-B long-distance challenge in natural open-water conditions.

Event Formats

The event includes:

- 10km race, completed:
 - Solo, or
 - As a relay team of three swimmers (3.2 km + 1.8 km + 5 km)
- 5km solo race

Purpose

The Swim Party 10km and 5km races are designed to challenge swimmers of different levels, encouraging personal growth, teamwork, and resilience. The event celebrates open-water swimming, its physical and emotional benefits, and the shared sense of achievement at the end of the swim.

2. Organization

The Swim Party 10km Algarve is organized by [ANIMAME Algarve](#), a Cultural and Sports Association, in collaboration with several partners, including Lagoa City Council and the Algarve Tourism Region, Marines of Portugal among others.

The organization is dedicated to ensuring a safe, enjoyable, and memorable experience for all swimmers.


Times and results will be registered electronically and published on [Multicrono](#).


Results are not officially registered, as this is a non-federated event.

3. Event details

Check-In & Swimmer kit collection

Friday, 11 September 2026 | 14:00 – 18:00

 Location
A. Santos, Lda.
Rua do Barranco nº 2-L
8400-508 Carvoeiro – Lagoa

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Important: If you cannot attend on September 11th, you must arrange for someone else to collect your swimmer's kit, and sign off for it on your behalf.

Swimmer kit includes:

- ★ 1 electronic timing chip (€60 replacement fee if lost or damaged)
- ★ 1 official event swim cap (mandatory), different color for each race
- ★ 1 event t-shirt
- ★ 1 event lunch pass at Rei das Praias

4. Event program – 12 September 2026

10km Race – Solo & Relay

Meeting Point:

05:45 – [Caneiros Beach](#)
(Official bus transport to start locations provided)

Swim start location:

[Benagil Beach](#)

Briefing:

06:45 – Mandatory briefing (Benagil Beach car park)

Race Start:

07:00

Arrival Window:

09:30 – 12:30 – Caneiros Beach

Cut-Off Time – 10km

- Maximum race time: **5 hours 30 minutes**
- Final cut-off: **12:30**

Swimmers unable to maintain the required pace will be required to exit the water and board an official safety boat, which will transport them to the finish area.
This procedure is mandatory and strictly enforced for safety reasons.

Relay Transition Cut-Offs

- Praia de Centeanes (3.2 km): latest finish 08:45
- Praia do Carvoeiro (1.8 km): latest finish 09:45
- Praia dos Caneiros (5.0 km): final cut-off 12:30

Failure of any relay swimmer to complete their leg results in **disqualification of the entire team**.

Route | 10km race solo



Route | **10km race TRIO**: 3.2km + 1.8km + 5km



5km Race

Meeting Point:

07:45 – [Caneiros Beach](#)
(Official bus transport provided)

Briefing:

08:30

Race Start:

09:00 – [Carvoeiro Beach](#)

Final Cut-Off:

12:30 – Caneiros Beach

Safety boat withdrawal rules apply equally to the 5km race.

Route | 5km race



Results

Results will be published by:

- Gender
- Solo / Relay
- With wetsuit / Without wetsuit

Results will be published on the [Multicrono official results webpage](#). Live results will be available on the day of the event 12 September 2026 starting at 7am at the page: <http://www.multicrono.com/live>.

5. Nutrition, transport and personal items

Food & Drink Supply

Water, bananas, isotonic drinks, and gels will be available at feeding stations. [PRECISION Fuel & Hydration](#) gels will be provided during the event.

Transport Between Stations

Shuttle transport will be provided:

- Between relay transition stations - distributing swimmers in respective starting stations
- From transition stations to Caneiros Beach - after finishing a leg of relay
- For any swimmer unable to complete the solo 10km

The organization is not responsible for personal belongings left on shuttle buses.

Personal Items

Swimmers must place personal items on the organization bus before the race and collect them at the finish area.

6. Swimmer requirements

- All swimmers must be in good physical condition and capable of long-distance open-water swimming.
- Minimum age: **18 years**
(Release forms for minors available upon request swimparty10km@gmail.com)
- Acceptance of the **Liability Form** is mandatory during registration.
- **Mandatory use of a safety and signaling tow float.**

Swimmers without a tow float will **not be allowed to start**, and registration fees will not be refunded.

Tow floats may be:

- Brought by the swimmer, or
- Purchased from the organization (€20 each) at registration

7. Weather conditions and event liability

Should weather or sea conditions pose a safety risk, the organization may postpone or cancel the event up until the early hours of race day.

The organization cannot cover:

- Travel or accommodation expenses
- Personal or professional disruptions
- Any indirect losses

In case of cancellation, registrations will roll over to a rescheduled date or the next Swim Party 10km edition.

Participation implies acceptance of the inherent risks of open-water swimming.

8. Event format and equipment rules

Route and Briefing

The route runs from Benagil Beach to Caneiros Beach and is marked by marker buoys, with kayak and boat support throughout.

Mandatory Equipment

- Official Swim Party swim cap, each race has one color
- Timing chip bracelet
- Safety and signaling tow float

Optional Equipment

- Watches permitted
- Fins permitted (no prizes awarded)
- Wetsuits optional; recommended below 19°C

9. Safety measures

A safety corridor will be established in coordination with:

- Algarve Maritime Authority
- Portuguese Navy
- Lagoa Fire Department

Kayaks, support boats, and medical staff will be present along the route, at feeding stations, and at the finish area.

Swimmers must follow all instructions given by safety personnel.

10. Emergency plan

Emergency communication will be maintained via mobile phones and radio between all support vessels.

All official tow floats include a whistle. Swimmers may signal distress by:

- Using the whistle
- Raising an arm
- Calling verbally

Rescue boats operated by trained responders will be positioned in the water. First aid equipment will be available on all rescue vessels.

All incidents will be logged and reported to the relevant authorities.

Emergency Exit Points for Boats:



11. Prizes

This event prioritizes challenge and sportsmanship. Any distinctions awarded are symbolic.

12. Registration and fees

Registration and Fees

Registration must be completed online at <https://swimparty10km.com>, in partnership with [Multicrono](#) for electronic timing and registration.

Registration Phases

Registration will be done in three stages:

EARLY BIRD registration Jan 08 - Feb 14

- 10km Solo: 100 eur
- 10km Trio: 170 eur
- 5km: 70 eur
- 10km Trio (Tinder): 57 eur

FULL ON registration Feb 15 - Jun 30

- 10km Solo: 130 eur
- 10km Trio: 220 eur
- 5km: 90 eur
- 10km Trio (Tinder): 74 eur

LAST MINUTE registration Jul1 - Aug 12

- 10km Solo: 180 eur
- 10km Trio: 300 eur
- 5km: 120 eur
- 10km Trio (Tinder): 100 eur

Registration Includes

- Electronic timing chip
- Swim cap and t-shirt
- Nutrition and safety support
- Transport
- Post-event lunch and celebration

13. Safety collaboration

This event is delivered in close cooperation with local and national maritime authorities and partners, promoting safety, responsibility, and respect for the ocean.

14. Contact

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