

WELCOME INFORMATION 2026



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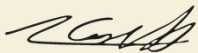
The ATHLETISSIMA Organising Committee is delighted to welcome you to Lausanne for this year's edition of Athletissima.

Once again, the meeting will bring together some of the world's finest athletes at the Olympic Stadium of La Pontaise, in front of an enthusiastic crowd ready to create an unforgettable atmosphere.

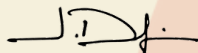
Whether you are returning to Lausanne or joining us for the first time, we are honoured to have you with us. Your talent, dedication and performances are at the heart of this event and contribute to making Athletissima such a special occasion.

Our entire team is committed to providing you with the best possible conditions throughout your stay, in a warm, welcoming and friendly environment.

On behalf of everyone at Athletissima, thank you for being part of this year's meeting. We wish you a wonderful stay in Lausanne and every success in achieving your goals.



Julien Carrel
Meeting Director



Jacky Delapierre
*Chairman &
Athlete Representative*



Adamo Vionnet
Competition Director

GENERAL INFORMATION

HOTEL

Mövenpick Hotel Lausanne (Main Hotel)

Avenue de Rhodanie 4, 1007 Lausanne

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E-mail: hotel.lausanne@movenpick.com

- Rooms will be available as of 15:00.
- The telephone lines can be opened upon presentation of a credit card at the reception desk.
- Any other expense, such as minibar, can be charged to the room only upon presentation of a credit card when checking in.
- Wireless Internet access is available for our guests everywhere in the Mövenpick Hotel.
- Rooms must be vacated before 11:00 on Saturday, August 22nd.
- Accompanying persons will not be hosted without confirmation from the Meeting Director. If not accepted by the Meeting Director, the full accommodation will be charged CHF 350 per day and per person.

ADMINISTRATION

The ATHLETISSIMA Office is located at the rear of the Ground Floor, Mövenpick Hotel.

MEALS

Meal vouchers will be distributed upon arrival. You will need them for all meals served at the Mövenpick Hotel only. Non-alcoholic drinks are free during meals.

- Tuesday, August 18th

Dinner	19:30-22:30
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- Wednesday, August 19th

Breakfast	07:00-10:30
Lunch	12:00-14:30
Dinner	19:30-22:30
- Thursday, August 20th

Breakfast	07:00-10:30
Lunch	12:00-14:30
Dinner	19:30-22:30
- Friday, August 21st

Breakfast	07:00-10:30
Lunch	12:00-15:30
Snack	15:30-18:00
Dinner	22:00-01:00
- Saturday, August 22nd

Breakfast	07:00-10:30
Lunch	12:00-14:30

TRANSPORTATION

The Transportation Desk is located in the lobby of the Mövenpick Hotel. For any questions regarding transportation and shuttle services (airport, training, stadium or other), please contact the Transportation Desk. A free local public transportation pass will be provided upon check-in.

SHUTTLES

Shuttles are organized from the Mövenpick Hotel leaving at **H:00 to Olympic Stadium**, and returning at **H:30 from the Stadium** to the Mövenpick Hotel with the following schedule:

- Wednesday, August 19th From 09:00 to 21:30
- Thursday, August 20th From 09:00 to 21:30
- Friday, August 21st
 - Morning From 09:00 to 12:30 H:00 from Hotel and
H:30 from stadium
 - Afternoon From 15:30 to 20:00 every .30 from Hotel
From 20:30 to 23:00 every .30 from Stadium

For other transportation inquiries, please contact the Transportation Desk.

AIRPORT AND TRAIN STATION ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE

Should you arrive by train, please inform us of your train number and arrival time so that we can arrange a pick-up at the platform. If you do not see a representative at the platform, please proceed to the central meeting point, located outside the north exit of the train station.

Should you arrive at Geneva Airport, a Welcome Desk is located just outside the luggage claim area.

Transportation to Geneva Airport and Lausanne Train Station on Saturday, August 22nd will start at 4:00 and continue every hour until 15:00. Please fill in the departure form and give it to the Transportation Desk before **Thursday August 20th 11:30** to ensure the best possible service for your transfer to Geneva Airport.

TRAVEL AGENCY

Athletes who need to book, purchase or reissue a flight ticket may contact the Transportation Desk between August 19th and August 21st.

MEDIA

PRESS CONFERENCE

- **City Event Press Conference**
 - Date & Time: **Wednesday, August 19th from 16:00 to 16:45.**
 - Venue: City Event tent (**Appendix 2 for City Event map**).
- **Athletissima Press Conference**
 - Date & Time: **Thursday, August 20th from 12:30 to 14:00.**
 - Venue: City Event tent (**Appendix 2 for City Event map**).
 - There will be 3 press conferences starting every 30 minutes (12:30, 13:00, 13:30).

Times and names will be confirmed in the days leading up to the press conferences in coordination with the athletes' managers. Athletes attending the press conferences will also be informed by the media team directly at the hotel. Athletes will attend the press conferences according to a precise timeline, which will include a meeting-point schedule and transportation information.

Please refer to Appendix 2 for the **City Event map**.

MEDICAL

MEDICAL CARE

From Sunday, August 16th to Friday August 21st, medical assistance can be obtained from Dr. Stéphane BORLOZ:

- Office: +41 21 619 68 40
- Mobile: +41 79 246 75 62

PHYSICAL AND MENTAL WELL-BEING

If not done yet, we strongly encourage you to attend the online World Athletics Safeguarding e-learning training course through this [link](#).

PHYSIO & MASSAGE

Physiotherapy and massage services are available on the 1st Floor of the Mövenpick Hotel from:

Tuesday, August 18 th	From 14:00 to 23:00
Wednesday, August 19 th	From 09:00 to 12:00 From 14:00 to 23:00
Thursday, August 20 th	From 09:00 to 12:00 From 14:00 to 23:00
Friday, August 21 st	From 09:00 to 14:00 From 22:00 to 01:00

Make sure to complete the form available on the first floor before receiving your treatment.

On the day of the meeting, the Medical and Physiotherapy Team will be present at the Stadium from 16:30, as well as in the warm-up area for pre-competition massage. **(Appendix 1 for Stadium map)**

DOPING CONTROL

The summoned athletes will be guided towards the waiting room and the doping control room (**Appendix 1 for Stadium map**) in accordance with WA / WADA procedures. All athletes must provide their passport at the Doping Control Center.

In the event of an issue or suspicious behaviour, please speak up:
<https://speakup.wada-ama.org/>

RECORDS

We remind all athletes that in the event of a national, continental or world record, an anti-doping control is mandatory to officially record their performance. Ensure that you contact the Technical Director to complete the official form.

TIMETABLE

ATHLETE'S PRESENTATION

Presentation of the athletes (technical events) will take place 5min. prior to the start time.

START TIME	CALL	TRACK ENTRANCE	EVENT
			Pre-program Start
18:10	17:45	18:00	100m Women Heat III
18:15	17:45	18:00	100m Women Heat II
18:20	17:55	18:10	100m Women Heat I
18:28	18:03	18:18	300m Men
18:36	18:11	18:26	300m Women
18:44	18:19	18:34	800m Men B
18:50	18:10	18:20	Javelin Women 
18:52	18:27	18:42	800m Women B
19:00	18:35	18:50	1000m Gruyère Boys
19:08	18:43	18:58	1000m Gruyère Girls
19:10	18:30	18:40	Triple Jump Men 
19:16		19:06	5x80m Youth
19:24	18:59	19:14	200m Women B
19:30			Stars Presentation 
19:38	19:13	19:28	1500m Wheel Chairs
19:44			Javelin Women F3 
19:50	19:25	19:40	400m Hurdles Men
20:00			World Program Start 
20:04	19:39	19:54	400m Hurdles Women 
20:05	18:50 Call & advertising check infield		Pole Vault Women 
20:09			Triple Jump Men F3 
20:15	19:50	20:05	200m Women 
20:22	19:42	19:52	Javelin Men 
20:24	19:59	20:14	3000m Steeple Women 
20:40	20:15	20:30	800m Men 
20:48	20:08	20:18	Long Jump Men 
20:50	20:25	20:40	100m Hurdles Women 
21:00	20:35	20:50	5000m Men 
21:17			Javelin Men F3 
21:23	20:58	21:13	110m Hurdles Men
21:32	21:07	21:22	800m Women 
21:41	21:16	21:31	200m Men 
21:46			Long Jump Men F3 
21:52	21:27	21:42	4x100m Women

TECHNICAL

TRAINING STADIUM

We kindly request throwers to pay attention to other athletes and employees during their training sessions.

A dedicated place will be offered for javelin warm-up on Friday, August 21st. We kindly ask you to be careful.

For the **women's pole vault**, training on Tuesday 18th, Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th August will be available at the Stade Pierre-de-Coubertin in Vidy. Please refer to the Accommodation Desk at the Mövenpick Hotel for the map and directions. Training on the competition area will be possible on the morning of Friday, 21st August only.

TECHNICAL MEETING

The Technical Meeting will take place on Thursday 20th August at 14:30 in the tent of the city event. Please refer to the Accommodation Desk at the Mövenpick Hotel or to the **City Event Map in Appendix 2**.

WORLD ATHLETICS

The World Athletics Technical Delegate representative is Mr Pasi OKSANEN.

The rules of World Athletics will be strictly applied. Particular attention will be paid to the rules governing competitors' clothing and advertising, as well as Technical Rule C2.1A concerning athletics shoes.

Following World Athletics Technical Rule 6.3.2, video, MP3/CD/DVD players, radios, mobile phones or similar devices are not allowed during the competition.

STARS PRESENTATION

The international program begins at 20:00 with the Stars Presentation at 19:30.

The meeting point is at 19:20 in the Victory Ceremony area (**Appendix 1 for Stadium map**). The names of the athletes will be announced at the Technical Meeting, and the list will be published in the lobby of the Mövenpick Hotel. Athletes invited to the presentation who fail to attend without notifying the Meeting Director or obtaining prior approval will not receive their bonus.

The Wanda Diamond League Technical events will start at 18:50.

B-EVENTS

The B-events will start at 18:10. For any changes, please check the latest TIMETABLE in the lobby.

BIBS

Sticker bibs will be applicable for all Diamond League events, including additional events (110m Hurdles, 400m hurdles Men & 4x100m Women). They will be distributed at the Mövenpick Hotel during mealtimes. Please ensure to bring your tracksuit to correctly apply the sticker bib.

Front sticker bib (back for Pole Vault) is mandatory. It must not be cut, folded or altered in any way.

USE OF TELEPHONES IN THE FIELD OF PLAY

If you intend to bring a mobile phone onto the Field of Play, you must declare it to Call Room officials or the referee during warm-up.

Please remember:

- Phone must be on silent
- No calls of any sort are allowed
- Messaging and videos viewing or receiving only
- While watching a video keep the volume down
- Don't use it near the runways or throwing circles to avoid disturbing other athletes.

WARM-UP AREA

A warm-up area is at your disposal (**Appendix 1 for Stadium map**).

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

All throwing equipment that is to be used in the competition must be weighed and checked at least 1h30 before the event at the Call Room (**Appendix 1 for Stadium map**).

HEIGHT PROGRESSION

The height progressions for the pole vault will be applied according to the decision taken during the Technical Meeting.

TRACKSUITS AND PERSONAL ITEMS

After the race, the runners may pick up their tracksuits and personal items in the baskets, in the athletes' lounge located just after the Mixed Zone (**Appendix 1 for Stadium map**).

MIXED ZONE / EXIT FROM THE INFIELD

All the athletes have to leave the stadium through the mixed zone and the athletes' lounge (**Appendix 1 for Stadium map**).

ATHLETES & OFFICIALS' SEATS

A stand is available for athletes and team officials in the velodrome curve. Please refer to Point 5 on the **Stadium Map in Appendix 1**.

VICTORY CEREMONIES

A single victory ceremony will be scheduled to celebrate all Athletissima WDL winners and the winning 4 × 100m relay team.

We kindly ask winners to first remain available in the mixed zone and then go back to the Victory Ceremonies waiting area, located right after the Call Room (**Appendix 1 for Stadium map**).

TRACK FESTIVAL

Various kids' activities will take place by the lake in Ouchy. We will invite some athletes to attend some activities. A separate invitation will follow. You can find more information by following this [link](#).

You are also welcome at the after-work event, which will take place on Wednesday, 19th August, from 17:00 at the City Event tent. Please refer to **Appendix 2 for the City Event map**.

CITY EVENT

The pole vault platform will be available for training on Wednesday afternoon from 16:30 to 19:00. The site is located right in front of the hotel, therefore, athletes are kindly asked to go there on foot.

PAYMENTS

For athletes who have arranged this with the Meeting Director, travel expenses will be reimbursed at the Mövenpick Hotel, on Friday morning, August 21st according to the schedule agreed with their managers.

Please note that athletes with a turnover of more than CHF 100'000 will be subject to VAT in Switzerland. After a revision of the Federal Act on Value Added Tax, which came into effect on 1 January 2018, the tax is now based on worldwide turnover instead of what athletes earn by participating in a sporting event in Switzerland. Athletes with worldwide turnovers of at least CHF 100'000 will have to register with the Swiss Federal Tax Administration in order to pay the tax. For more information, please refer to the following [link](#).

Swiss Social Insurance: With regard to the athletes whose compensation exceeds CHF 2,500, (US\$ 3200) it is the athlete's responsibility to be enrolled with a social insurance institution in their

respective country of origin and to report the amounts received from Athletissima to that institution. If the athlete fails to fulfill these obligations, please be advised that the Swiss social insurance authorities may enroll them automatically. In this case, the organizer will be entitled to recover from the athlete and/or his or her representative any amount it may have paid on the athlete's behalf for his or her Swiss enrollment.

SUSTAINABILITY

We are proud to now be Gold certified by World Athletics and remain committed to making a positive social and environmental impact. As athletes, your role is crucial, by promoting a sustainable lifestyle that respects people and the planet, you can help us achieve our goals and inspire others to follow your example. For more information about our sustainability commitments, please follow this [link](#).

DISCRIMINATION

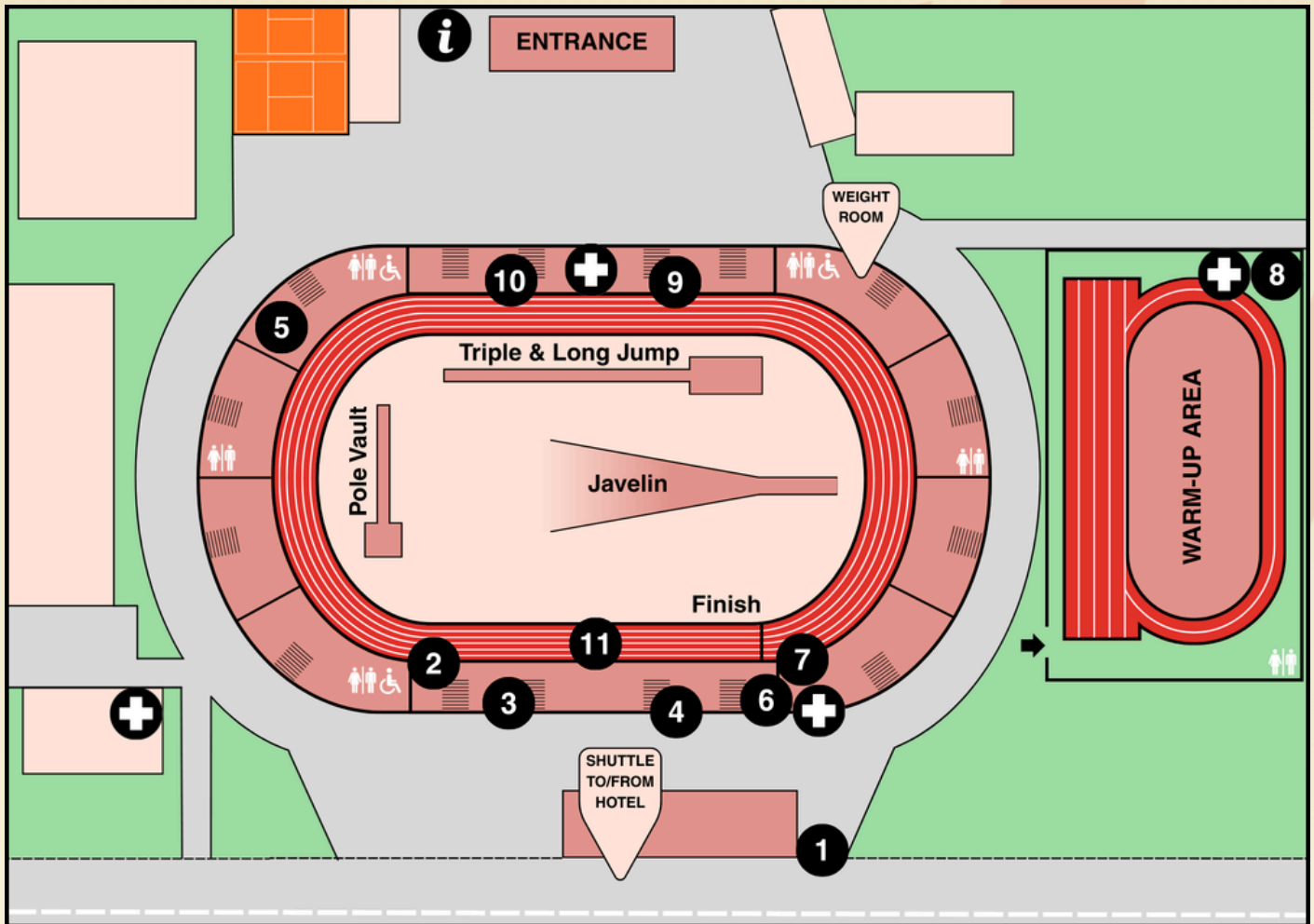
Athletissima has a zero-tolerance policy towards any kind of discrimination. We believe in fostering an inclusive and respectful environment for all individuals, regardless of their background. For more information, we invite you to consult our diversity guideline by following this [link](#).

EXTREME CONDITIONS

At an altitude of 500m above sea level, Lausanne benefits from a mild climate. Average temperature in the months of July and August is between 16°C and 26°C and humidity is average with about 1/3 of rainy days for a monthly rain level of 83mm.

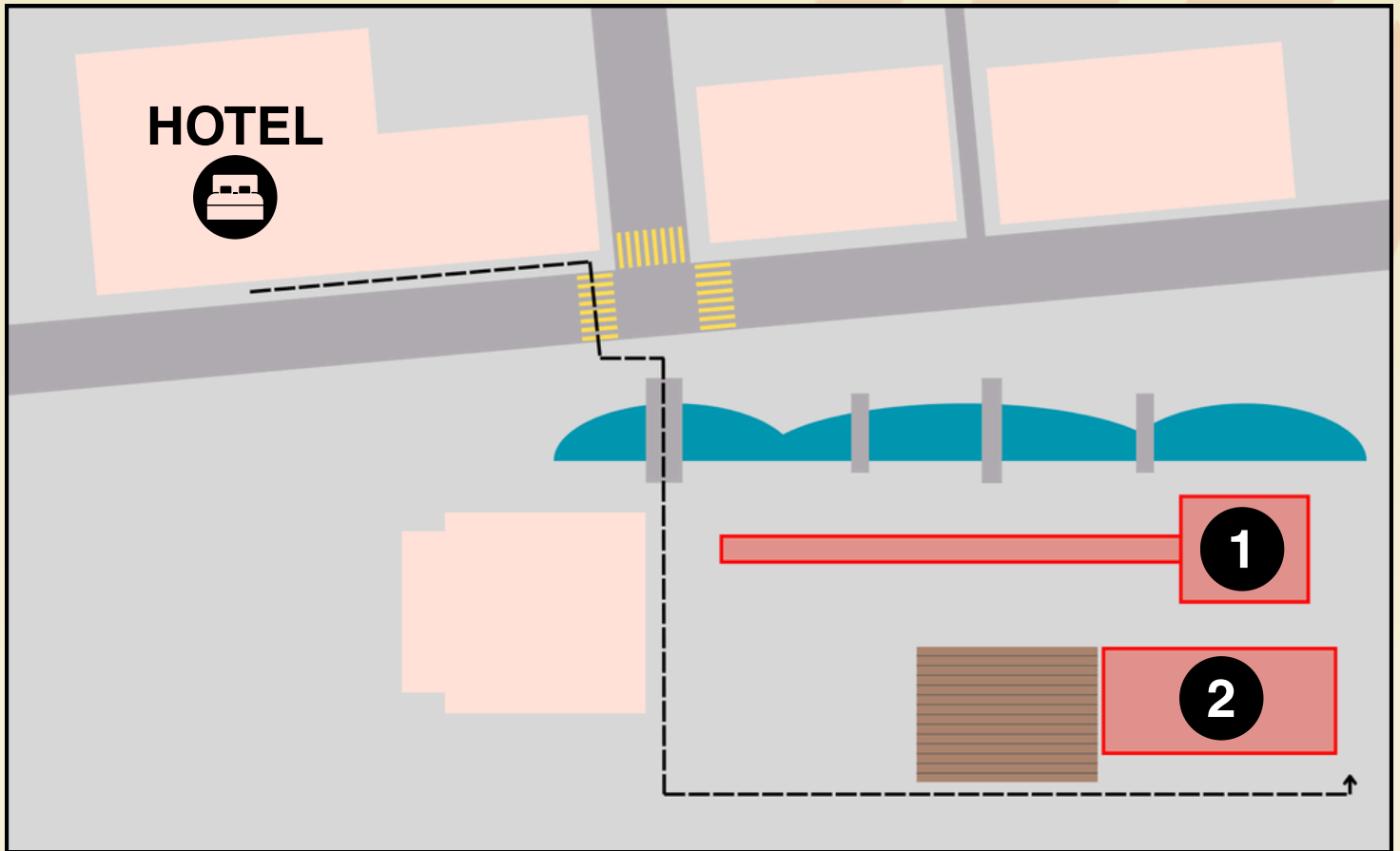
Nevertheless, we invite you to review the information provided by World Athletics on how to prepare and adapt for extreme weather conditions [here](#).

STADIUM MAP



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| ① Athletes' entrance | ⑧ Massage |
| ② Changing rooms | ⑨ Doctor |
| ③ Call Room | ⑩ Doping Control |
| ④ Press Room | ⑪ Victory Ceremony |
| ⑤ Athletes' Stand | + Samaritans/first aid kit |
| ⑥ Technical Director's Office | WC |
| ⑦ Mixed Zone | i Info Point |

CITY EVENT MAP



Mövenpick Hotel



Pole vault platform



City Event tent

- After-work event
- Athletissima Press Conference
- City Event Press Conference