NATIONAL TEAM OPEN & YOUTH: POOL CHAMPIONSHIPS

VENUE: NEWTON PARK POOL: GQEBERHA (PORT ELIZABETH)
DATE: THURSDAY 3rd DECEMBER to SUNDAY 6th DECEMBER 2026

PRELIMINARY REFEREES & TECHNICAL OFFICIALS APPOINTMENTS

Notes:

1. **Technical Officials Briefing:** Tuesday 1st December from 15h00 to 16h00 at the Newton Park Pool by Chief Referee (Pool & SERC), Safety Officer and Event Management Committee
2. **Team Managers Briefing**: National Teams Open & Youth Pool, SERC & Ocean on Tuesday 1st December from 16h00 to 17h00 at Newton Park Pool by Chief Referee (Pool, SERC & Ocean), Safety Officer and Event Management Committee.
3. **LWC 2026 Opening Ceremony:** 2nd December from 17h00 to 19h00: King's Beach

POSITION	OFFICIALS ALLOCATION	
CHIEF REFEREE	Jerry POLESEL (ITA)	
DEPUTY CHIEF REFEREES	Annelie LOURENS (RSA) & Anni GARDINER (AUS-R)	
EVENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	Dave THOMPSON (AUS-S); Jelle MEINTSMA (RSA) & Perry SMITH (CAN)	
LOC EVENT MANAGER	Nicci BROOMER & TBA	
JURY OF APPEAL PANEL	Jürgen BONNEMANN (GER) - Convenor; Michelle LIPKUS AMAR (CAN); Jo TEAGLE (AUS-R) & Valencia WALKER (RSA)	
EMERGENCY / SAFETY	LOC	
MEDICAL/FIRST AID	LOC	
DOPING ADMINISTRATOR	Greg ALLUM (AUS-S)	
COMMENTATORS PANEL	Hugo RODRIGUES (CAN) - Convenor; Pam VALLIS (AUS-S), Heather MORRIS-EYTON (RSA) & Job KANIA (KEN)	
RESULTS	Dario PELOSI (ITA)	
PRESENTATION TEAM	Patricia ALLUM (AUS-S) & Cynthia MEINTSMA (RSA)	
EVENT DIRECTORS	Edmund CHAN (CAN); Grzegorz KONIECZNY (POL) & Michelle WEEDY (GBR-R)	
COMPETITORS LIAISION	Rebecca BOYD (CAN); Thomas PASSING (GER); Vijay Kumar SAH (IND) & Trix VAN DINGENEN (BEL)	
MARSHAL	Doug HERBERT (RSA); Keith MATTHEWS (RSA); & Guia VERONESE (ITA)	
STARTER	Frank RUDDIMAN (AUS-R) & Paloma MARTINEZ (ESP)	
POSITION		
LANE JUDGES	1	Penny HODGERS (AUS-R)
	2	William BARKER (FRA)
	3	Claudia KUNTZ (GER)
	4	Mary COLLINS (AUS-R)
	5	Gunther VAN DER PLAS (BEL)
	6	Cristina CECCHI (ITA)
	7	Lorraine WILSON-SALIBA (CAN)
	8	Manuel REAL IZQUIERDO (ESP)

POSITION	OFFICIALS ALLOCATION	
	Relief	Manuel KRAFT (GER); Hong JI (CHN) & Lucia SCACCABAROZZI (ITA)
TURN JUDGES	1	TaraSue MOORE (CAN)
	2	Erika KUSUNOSE (JPN)
	3	Tim ROGERS (NZL)
	3	Serge BERNIER (CAN)
	5	Wolfgang DRAAIJER (GER)
	6	Xiaoguang YU (CHN)
	7	Dion ORBELL (NZL)
	8	Tara VANDERLINDEN (CAN)
	Relief	Jasman LAIS (SUI) & Cheng ZHANG (CHN);
CHIEF FINISH JUDGE		Cynthia CAKEBREAD (CAN)
FINISH JUDGES		Giorgio VIGORITI (ITA);Zelah WEEDY (GBR-R) & Seohwan CHA (KOR)
CHIEF TIMEKEEPER		Marta KOSOWICZ (POL)
	1	Romina MUTTI (ARG) & Kai MATTMUELLER (GER)
	2	Michael KUNTZ (GER) & Zhi LI (CHN)
	3	Kim THOMAS (RSA) & Michael BRIDA (AUT)
	4	Kangrui PUI (SIN) & Abrie PRETORIUS (RSA)
	5	Eddie LANGENHOVEN (AUS-S) & Marna PIETERSE (RSA)
	6	Scott BYRNES (AUS-S) & Jiancheng XU (CHN)
	7	Dayle BORNMAN (RSA) & Tjark SAUL (GER)
	8	Jin Zhuang (SIN) & Ahmed MOUSSA (EGY)
	Relief	
EQUIPMENT		Joanne YOUNG (GBR-R); David YOUNG (GBR-R) &

LINE THROW		
POSITION	LANE	OFFICIALS
CHIEF (EVENT DIRECTOR)		Michelle WEEDY (GBR-R)
STARTER		Frank RUDDIMAN (AUS-R) & Paloma MARTINEZ (ESP)
THROW ADJUDICATORS CATCH AND PULL	1	Penny HODGERS (AUS-R)
	2	William BARKER (FRA)
	3	Claudia KUNTZ (GER)
	4	Mary COLLINS (AUS-R)
	5	Gunther VAN DER PLAS (BEL)
	6	Cristina CECCHI (ITA)
	7	Lorraine WILSON-SALIBA (CAN)
	8	Manuel REAL IZQUIERDO (ESP)
	Relief	Hong JI (CHN)
THROW ADJUDICATORS THROW ZONE ACTION	1 & 2	Serge BERNIER (CAN)
	3 & 4	Timothy ROGERS (NZL)
	5 & 6	Xiaoguang YU (CHN)
	7 & 8	Erika KUSUNOSE (JPN)
	Relief	
CHIEF FINISH JUDGE		Cynthia CAKEBREAD (CAN)

LINE THROW		
POSITION	**LANE**	**OFFICIALS**
FINISH JUDGES		Giorgio VIGORITI (ITA); Seohwan CHA (KOR) & Zelah WEEDY (GBR-R)
CHIEF TIMEKEEPER		Marta KOSOWICZ (POL)
TIMEKEEPERS	1	Romina MUTTI (ARG) & Kai MATTMUELLER (GER)
	2	Kangrui Pui (SIN) & Michael KUNTZ (GER)
	3	Kim THOMAS (RSA) & Michael BRIDA (AUT)
	4	Eddie LANGENHOVEN (AUS-S) & Tjark SAUL (GER)
	5	Scott BYRNES (AUS-S) & Xiaoguang YU (CHN)
	6	Dayle BORNMAN (RSA) &
	7	Jin Zhuang (SIN) & Ahmed MOUSSA (EGYPT)
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	Relief	
EQUIPMENT		Joanne YOUNG (GBR-R); David YOUNG (GBR-R) &

The appointments are subject to change. The Chief Referee and/or ILS Sport Commission may change the official's allocation at their sole discretion to meet the exigencies of the championship.