OCEANMAN ELITE CUBA – RULES & PARTICIPATION GUIDE

Date: September 6, 2025 | Location: Cayo Santa Maria, Cuba

These regulations establish the basic rules of participation for swimmers registered in the OCEANMAN Elite Race. By registering, participants accept all the clauses described here.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The OCEANMAN ELITE CUBA is a unique competition aimed at showcasing the finest in open water swimming within a professional and media-rich setting. This race will be part of the official Oceanman Five Islands events and is scheduled for **September 6, 2025**, at **Cayo Santa Maria**, **Cuba**.

This event is open to high-performance swimmers from around the globe who are ready to meet the qualifying standards. If you are an experienced athlete seeking a distinctive and high-energy race format, along with the opportunity to compete alongside elite competitors, this is your chance to apply and demonstrate your skills on an international stage.

By registering or applying for participation, athletes **agree to abide by all the rules and terms outlined in this guide.**

2. EVENT FORMAT

- **Distance:** Approx. 7.5 km (6 open water loops of ~1.25 km each)
- Start: Beach run-in start zone
- Finish: Final beach sprint to the finish arch
- Lap System:
 - Each lap ends with a mandatory 50m beach run-out
 - Athletes **must exit and re-enter the water every lap**
 - **Feeding platform** and **official timing checkpoint** after each loop
 - Athletes who are **lapped by the leader are immediately eliminated**

3. PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

This is a **selective-entry event**. There are three requirements to participate:

a) Invited Swimmers

- Wild card by Oceanman
- Based on international rankings, past performance, and global media value

b) Open Application for Qualified Swimmers

Ambitious and experienced swimmers from outside the professional elite circle are encouraged to apply **if they meet the time standards below**:

QUALIFICATION TIMES (5km pool time or open water):

- **Men:** under 1 hour 05 minutes
- Women: under 1 hour 10 minutes

All qualification times must be **supported by official documentation** (race certificate, link to timing platform, federation confirmation, or a signed and stamped confirmation letter from a certified coach).

c) Top Performers from Oceanman Open Category

Swimmers who placed on the **podium in the Open Category** at any Oceanman event during the 2024/2025 season are **automatically eligible to participate** in the Elite Cuba race **without submitting a qualification time**, provided they register before the participant limit is reached.

4. Five Islands Oceanman Circuit Registration Fee

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5. HOW TO APPLY

- 1. Submit your application through the official Oceanman registration portal RockTheSport platform. (add link)
- 2. Attach your qualifying time document.
- 3. Submit your payment and confirm your registration once approved.
- 4. Wait for confirmation from the Oceanman Team.

Note: Only 100 athletes will be accepted for the Elite Cuba race. Spots will be awarded based on qualification time, application date, and available places.

6. ENTRY PACKAGE (FOR ALL APPROVED PARTICIPANTS)

Each accepted swimmer will receive:

- Access to the full 7.5km OCEANMAN ELITE CUBA race
- Custom elite race kit
- Finisher medal (if not eliminated)
- Entry into prize money competition and MVP bonuses

7. PRIZE MONEY & BONUSES

Top 3 Finishers (per gender):

- 1st place: €3,500
- 2nd place: €2,000
- 3rd place: €1,000

Detailed Prize Awards		
1st	3.500,00€	3.500,00€
2nd	2.000,00 €	2.000,00€
3rd	1.000,00€	1.000,00€
4th	500,00€	500,00€
5th	400,00€	400,00€
6st	300,00€	300,00€
7th	250,00€	250,00€
8th	200,00€	200,00€
9th	150,00€	150,00€
10th	100,00€	100,00€

Special Bonuses:

- Fastest Lap (Men): €500
- Fastest Lap (Women): €500
- Best Beach Run (shortest total land time across all laps): €250

8. RACE FLOW & MAP OVERVIEW

- **Start/Finish Line:** Beachside arch + timing system
- **Race Course:** 6x ~1.25 km loops in open water
- **Transitions:** 50m beach run between each lap
- **Checkpoints:** Time split and feeding platform every lap
- Elimination: If lapped, swimmer must exit the course immediately



9. MEDIA PRODUCTION & VISIBILITY

This event is designed for media coverage and elite-level storytelling.

- Real-time lap times are displayed on screens
- Live eliminations shown with on-screen athlete info
- dual-commentator race
- Official "FINISHED" or "ELIMINATED" social media graphic per swimmer
- Photo wall: "I Survived Oceanman ELITE" with event logo and medals

10. Protection of Personal Data and Image Rights

In compliance with current regulations on data protection, participants are informed that their personal data will be processed exclusively for organizational and sporting purposes. Likewise, by registering for the circuit, participants authorize the organization to use their image in photographs and videos for promotional and dissemination purposes of the event on social networks, media and digital media.

11. Acceptance of the Regulations

Registration in this events implies full acceptance of these regulations. The organisation reserves the right to modify aspects of it for justified reasons, informing of said changes in advance. For

matters not contemplated in these regulations, the general regulations of Oceanman will apply. Link to the regulations

https://oceanmanswim.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/OCEANMAN-Rules-2024.pdf

12. CONTACT & INFORMATION

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Join the future of open water swimming. **See you in Cuba.**