

Bulletin 2

Official information bulletin on the 14th FAI Junior World Gliding Championships 2026.

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Welcome and Invitation

We are very pleased to invite you to participate in the **14th FAI Junior World Gliding Championships** for the Club and Standard classes in Aalen-Elchingen (EDPA), Baden-Wuerttemberg, Germany, in summer 2026.

Less than one year to go. The preparations are running on full speed!



Website

The official Championships website link is: jwgc2026.org

Before and during the competition, we will use the website <u>jwgc2026.org</u> for official communication.

An additional communication channel will be established via WhatsApp during the competition.

Competition Management

Competition Director Bernd Schmid

Directors of the Championship Wolfgang Gmeiner / Manfred Streicher

Scoring Florian Paul

Scrutineering Ulrich Grau/Siegfried Kraus

Grid Master / Ulrich Schwarz

Support

Towing Daniel Albrecht

Weather tba

Administration Gerhard Beyer

Financials Willi Weiser

Support service for each NAC Tomas Aruani

Preliminary Event Dates

Individual training possibilities: 2025: April – September

In 2026:

Preliminary Entries: Due January 31st

Final Entries: Deadline March 31st

Unofficial Training: Begins July 25th
Unofficial Training: Ends July 29th

Pilot/Team Captain Registration: Begins July 27th

Pilot/Team Captain Registration: Ends July 30th; 06:00 p.m. Configuration Changes: Close July 26th: 06:00 p.m. Technical Inspection: Begins July 29th; 08:00 a.m

Technical Inspection: Ends August 1st; 04:00 p.m

Official Training:

Begins July 30th
Official Training:

Ends August 1st

Official Team Captains Briefing: August 1st; 04:00 p.m. Official Safety Briefing: August 1st; 06:00 p.m.

First Official Briefing:

Opening Ceremony:

August 1, 00:00 p.m.

August 1st; 07:00 p.m.

August 2nd; 10:00 a.m.

Contest Flying: Begins August 3rd
International Evening: August 5th

Contest Flying: Ends August 14th

Farewell Party: August 14th, 08:00 p.m.

Price Giving and Closing Ceremony: August 15th, 10:00 a.m.

Registration

A registration form for each NAC is available in the download section of our homepage (jwgc2026.org).

Please, fill in the required information and send it back to cd@jwgc2026.org. It would be very kind to get this information as soon as possible. This would be a great support for our planning and organization activities.

Pilot and Glider Requirements

For all overseas countries/pilots, we have to follow the EASA regulations EU 2020/358 and you have to validate your license if you will fly a glider registered in Germany. All necessary documents will be available soon in our download section on the competition homepage (www.jwgc2026.org). A short description, how to complete the templates (in German language) can be download on the homepage.

Please fill in all required data and send the forms with a copy of all requested licenses and passport to us. We will attend to a smooth handling with our authorities. Deadline will be December 31st, 2025. After this deadline you have to handle the validation process directly with our authorities (LBA.de).

If a glider will be used during the competition, which is not registered in Germany, you have to validate your license in the country the glider is registered. We are not able to support you in that case!

For all pilots, who are holding an EASA-License, there is no validation necessary.

All gliders have to follow the Sporting Code – Section 3. Gliding, Annex A, Part 4 Technical Requirements.

Entry fees

As announced during our presentation in Lausanne, we reduced the entry fees as follows:

Entry fee per each pilot: 700 €.

In addition, the FAI imposes an admission fee in the amount of 58 € per pilot.

Insurances

Third party insurance:

Third party insurance, as specified below, is the responsibility of the entering NAC. It is absolutely necessary that a proof of insurance is available, applicable to the registered **sailplane and pilot**, effective through the final scheduled competition day, showing coverage of at least three million euros (3.000.000 €) per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage liability, with no reduction in coverage for persons outside the insured sailplane. It is also recommended that all other team members should hold a third-party insurance.

Health insurance:

Personal medical insurance is required for all team members, covering accidents and sickness, including any local hospital costs and the costs of transport back to the team member's home country.

Accommodations

Besides the possibility to use our camp side, you can find a lot of additional accommodations in the download folder on our website.

Rental Gliders

A list of gliders for the overseas pilots, which are available to rent during the competition will be published on our homepage with the beginning of October 2025.

The rental fees for the competitions (3 weeks including training) are fix:

Standard Class: 900 €

Club Class: 750 €

We will submit the individual contacts between the two parties. The contract with the individual conditions has to be negotiated between the two parties by themselves.

Announcement



We are very pleased to announce that one of our main sponsors – Bitterwasser Ltd. – will reward the two Junior World Champions with an eight days stay at the famous Bitterwasser Flying Lodge in Namibia during the season 2026/2027. This price includes the flight from Frankfurt to Windhoek and return, stay at the lodge and use of an 18-m-self-launch glider.

We are working on an additional sponsoring for the feeder flights to Frankfurt and back.

Contact

All inquiries, please send to Bernd Schmid (cd@jwgc2026.org).

Sincerely,

Bernd

Competition Director