

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

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Welcome

We invite you to participate in the **14th FAI Junior World Gliding Championships** for Club and Standard class in Aalen-Elchingen, Germany, during the first two weeks of August, 2026. We are working on full speed to make all necessary arrangements for a safe, exciting, enjoyable, and competitive championship.

Sincerely,

Manfred Streicher and Wolfgang Gmeiner Championship Director **Bernd Schmid**Sporting Director

Competition Management

Championships Director Manfred Streicher and Wolfgang Gmeiner

Sporting Director Bernd Schmid

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Schedule of the 14th FAI Junior World Gliding Championships

Preliminary Entries:Due January 31stFinal Entries:Deadline March 31stUnofficial Training:Begins July 25thUnofficial Training:Ends July 29thPilot/Team Captain Registration:Begins July 25th

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Configuration Changes:

Technical Inspection:

Ends July 30th; 06:00 p.m.

Close July 26th: 06:00 p.m.

Begins July 29th; 08:00 a.m

Technical Inspection:

Ends August 1st; 04:00 p.m

Begins July 30th Official Training: Ends August 1st Official Training: August 1st; 04:00 p.m. Official Team Captains Briefing: Official Safety Briefing: August 1st; 06:00 p.m. August 1st; 06:30 p.m. First Official Briefing: August 2nd; 10:00 a.m. Opening Ceremony: Begins August 3rd Contest Flving: International Evening: August 5th; 08:00 p.m. Ends August 14th Contest Flving: August 14th, 08:00 p.m. Farewell Party: Price Giving and Closing Ceremony: August 15th, 10:00 a.m.

To all Team Captains

Please email Bernd Schmid your email address and contact details as soon as they become available.

Website & Communication

Before and during the 14th JWGC, we will use the website **jwgc2026.org** and a dedicated WhatsApp group for communication.

All inquiries can be sent to Bernd Schmid at cd@jwgc2026.org.

IGC-Officials

Jury President



Eric Mozer (USA)

Stewards



Chief Steward: Frouwke Kuijpers (NED)

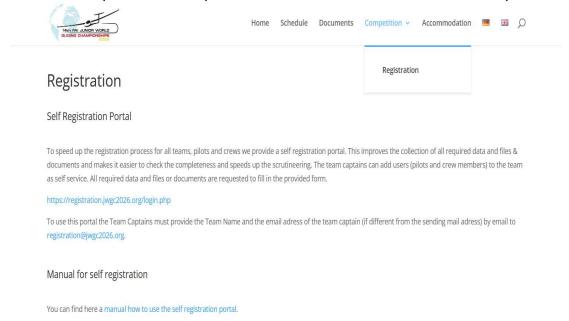


Steward: Hynek Chovan (CZE)

Registration

First step for registration: Open our homepage www.jwgc2026.org and click at competition. A subfolder registration will open.

A short description of how to proceed can be found there, as shown in the picture below



A link for the user manual can be found in this subfolder.

To use the registration tool, it is absolutely necessary that you email us the team's name and the team captain's email address. Afterwards we will send out to the TC all relevant information to get access to the registration tool. Then follow the instructions of the manual.

Please, upload all required documents and information. This procedure will support a smart and lean registration process for all.

License Validation Process for Pilots from Overseas

For all overseas countries/pilots, we have to follow the EASA regulations and you have to validate your license if you will fly a glider registered in Germany.

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

Mid of next week, all necessary documents will be available in our download section on the competition homepage (www.jwgc2026.org/documents). A short description, how to complete the templates (they are in German language) will be also available in this folder of the homepage.

Please fill in all required data and send the forms with a copy of all requested documents like license, medical and passport to us (cd@jwgc2026.org).

We ensure a smooth handling with our authorities. Deadline will be February 28th, 2026. After this deadline you have to handle the validation process directly with our authorities (www.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!

Gliders

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

Proximity awareness transceivers strobe light requirements

Annex A 4.1.1.d Strobe lights are mandatory for the JWGC 2026 in Aalen-Elchingen.

Annex A 7.5 Proximity awareness transceivers (f.e. Flarm)

Flarm in the EU operates on the ISM band of 868 MHz.

We highly recommend to use a proximity awareness transceiver with ADSB functionality! Background information: Since November 2025 Germany's military reactivated low level flying (250 ft GND) training areas. ADSB helps for proximity awareness between glider and military jets.

Also, the range analysis of the proximity awareness transceiver installed in your glider has to be uploaded in the registration tool. Without this analysis you aren't allowed to fly in the competition!

For Flarm devices, you can use: https://www.flarm.com/en/support/tools-software/range-analysis/

Entry Fee and Tow Fee

• Entry Fee: €700,00 Euro plus € 58,00 FAI admission fee per pilot

• Tow Fee: €48 for all classes up to 600m

Please, transfer the fees latest March 31st, 2026.

For the bank transfer of the entry fee and the FAI admission fee of each NAC, please use:

LSR Aalen

IBAN: DE55 6145 0050 0110 0359 89

BIC: OASPDE6AXXX

Reason for transfer: JWGC 2026, Team xxxx

Accommodations:

See JWGC Website link to Accommodation:

https://jwgc2026.org/accommodation/

A detail description of our camping areas is also available in this folder. For the booking on our camping site, you have to use the registration tool!

Announcements



We are proudly announcing the next outstanding sponsoring:

The well-known Cobra-trailer manufacturer A. Spindelberger Fahrzeugtechnik GmbH and the Club Puiplaneur will award the both Vice-World-Champions of the 14th FAI Junior Gliding-World-Championships 2026 with:

- Two weeks stay and accommodation at the Airfield of Puimoisson (LFTP),
- One training flight with a double-seater,
- And all tows are for free during the stay.

Last but no least

Evening Events during the 14th FAI Junior World Championships:

August 5th: International Evening

August 7th: Bitterwasser Evening presented by Stefan Langer (Double World Champion)

August 11th: Swabian Evening – LSR Aalen will invite to a typical Swabian Dinner

August 12th: 88% Eclipse of the Sun at 08:15 p.m. – Special presentation afterwards

August 14th: Farewell Party with surprises

We, from the organizing team, wish to you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, with always happy landings.

Kind regards from all members of the Organizing Team of the JWGC 2026.