



THE BIRMINGHAM TRIATHLON

Saturday 1st August 2026
Start from 11.50am

Please check your race email for your individual start time

King Edward's School, Edgbaston Park Road

Birmingham

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Welcome

Please read this Race Day Information Pack prior to the event day to ensure you arrive fully prepared for The Birmingham Triathlon.

Race Day Checklist

- Race number (can be found on your race day email)
- Trisuit or swimwear
- Swimming goggles
- Towel
- Appropriate cycling/running kit if you're not wearing a trisuit
- Additional clothing for wet/cold weather
- Cycle
- Cycle Shoes (unless you're cycling in your running shoes)
- Cycle helmet
- Drinks bottle
- Elastic race number belt (optional but available to purchase next to registration for £10)
- Sunglasses (optional)
- Cycle tools/puncture kit/spare inner tube or tyre (if desired)
- Running shoes
- Running cap (optional)
- Energy drinks, gels, bars
- Change of clothing for after your race

Distances

Race	Swim	Cycle	Run
Sprint & Sprint Relay	400m 16 lengths	6k 6 laps	5k 5 laps
Venture	200m 8 lengths	5k 5 laps	3k 3 laps
Endeavour	150m 6 lengths	4k 4 laps	2k 2 laps
Fun Challenge	100m 4 lengths	3k 3 laps	1k 1 lap

Travel & Parking -

Follow postcode B5 7SN or what3words: ///brain.burns.able.

On arrival look for the triathlon parking signs. Once parked follow the 'to the triathlon' signs and use the pelican crossing to cross the road.

Parking is £3.00 cash only collected on entry and is donated to our official charity.

Toilets & Changing Facilities

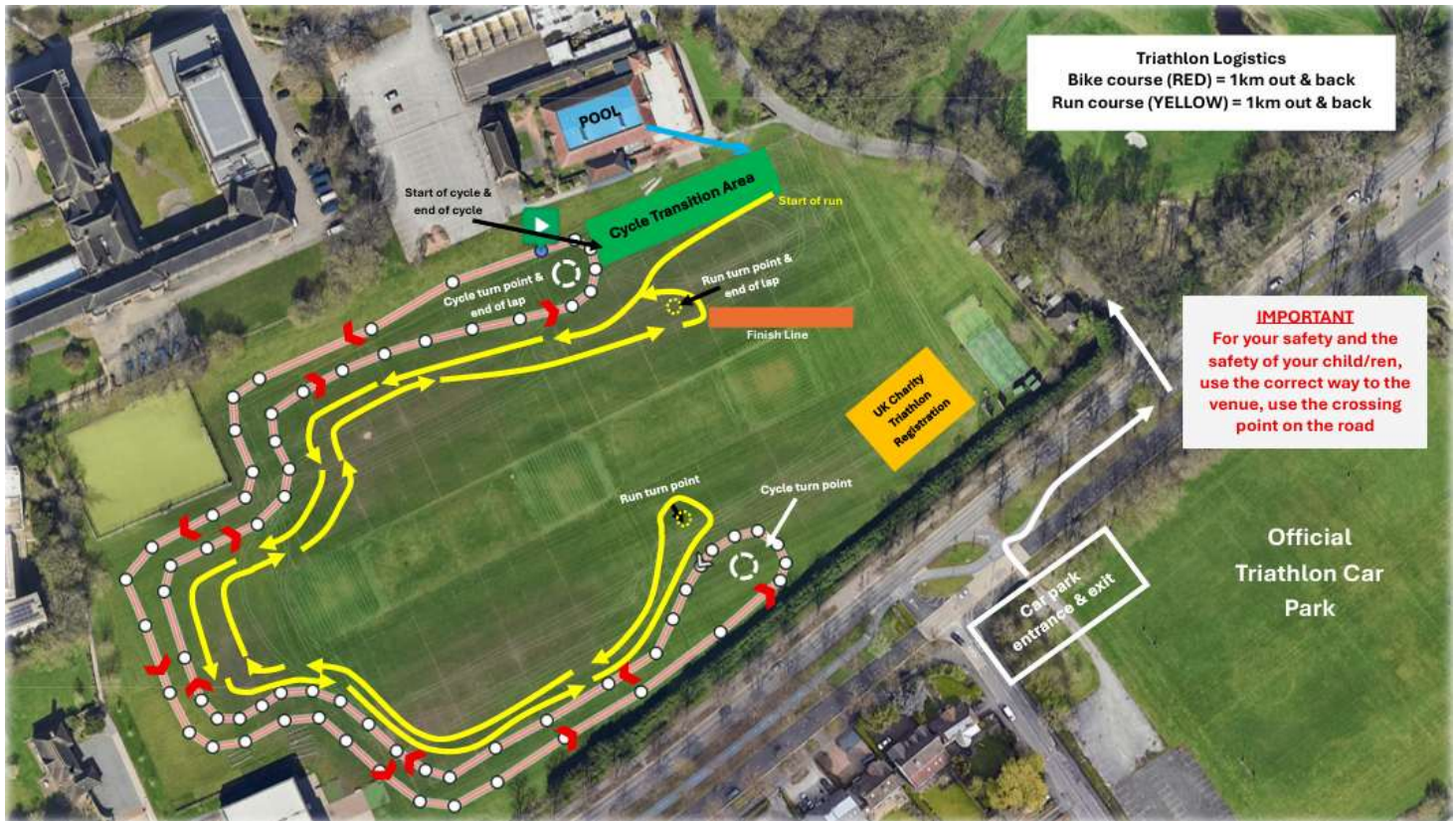
Toilets and changing are located at the swimming pool and the leisure centre.

Dogs

No dogs are allowed on the field except guide dogs.



Arena Map



From the car park follow the signs 'To the Triathlon/Registration this way'

Essential Information

Registration

- Registration is located in the orange Mornflake marquee
- Please arrive at least 60 minutes before your start time.
- At registration you will be asked for your race number (which can be found on your email), once your details have been checked you will be handed your race envelope and an instruction sheet, please read this carefully.
- Registration will be open from 10:40am.

Race Envelope

- At registration you will receive a race envelope containing:
- Race Number x2, Cycle Sticker x1, Helmet sticker x1, Electronic timing chip and strap x1, Wristband x1.
- Safety pins will not be enclosed however they will be available if required

Wristbands, Cycle and Helmet Stickers

- Wristband, wear this on your right wrist.
- Attach the Cycle number sticker to the front handlebar stem.
- Attach your helmet sticker to the front of the helmet.



Race Numbers



Your race number must be clearly displayed on your back for the cycle and clearly displayed on your front for the run. You have two options:

1. Use an elastic race number belt (available to buy next to registration for £10) with one or both numbers pinned to it in the top left and right hand corners (as shown in picture). Don't forget your number must be visible on your back for the cycle and on your front for the run.
2. Pin each race number in all four corners, front and back onto your shirt.
3. It is good practice to write name, emergency contact number, blood group (if known) and any allergies on the back of the race number.
4. You must not re-size your race number in any way.

Timing Chip

Check your electronic timing chip number corresponds with your race number. Your timing chip must be worn on the outside of your LEFT ANKLE with the soft side of the strap against your skin. Please follow these simple steps to wear your chip correctly.

1. Thread the loose strap through both slots of the timing chip and securely fasten the velcro.
2. The chip should be secure on the strap and the number visible.
3. Place the strap around your LEFT ankle with the chip on the outside of your ankle.
4. Make sure the chip is firmly around your ankle so it remains securely fastened.

Please hand in your electronic timing chip at the finish line whether you complete the course or not or you will be required to pay £25.00



Important Cycle Care Information

Make sure your cycle brakes and gears are all in perfect working order for race day.

Available is a pre race check for only £10, payable on the day by cash or card and takes approximately 15 minutes. Booking a time slot is essential as there is no guarantee on the day. Contact Cycle Mechanic Craig on Whatsapp 07748 053009 with your name, race, preferred day and time for availability.

Mechanic availability Saturday 7:30am to 09:15am and 11.15am to 11.50am.

There will be a self-service cycle station at the event. It has track pumps, specific cycle tools, tyre levers and a cycle stand.

Inner tubes will be for sale in the UK Triathlon store next to registration. You should however carry a spare inner tube which specifically fits your wheels.

From Registration follow the signs to CYCLE TRANSITION

Cycle Transition Area

- The Cycle Transition Area is open from 11.20am.
- You are responsible for checking your own cycle brakes, your cycle must be in road worthy condition.
- Competitors should only bring into transition what is needed - a small bag can remain by your cycle. Within transition there is an area for larger bags.
- Rack your cycle in an empty space in the Cycle Transition Area, the white tape denotes a racking position.

Security

Although we allocate security staff to specifically watch the Cycle Transition Area, please note that we cannot be responsible for any items lost or stolen.

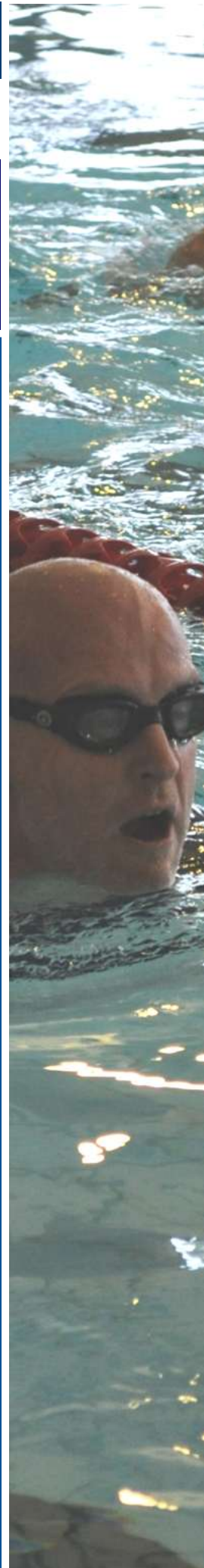


From Cycle Transition Area follow signs 'To the Pool'.

Swim

**Fun Challenge – 100m – 4 lengths
Endeavour – 150m – 6 lengths
Venture – 200m – 8 lengths
Sprint / Sprint Relay – 400m – 16 lengths**

- Remember to take everything you need for the swim, wearing your timing chip and strap!
- You should be at pool side 15 minutes prior to your start time to ensure you are positioned in number order and have time to listen to the compulsory race brief.
- All relay team members must attend the Race Brief.
- Please have the wristband that is given to you at registration on your right wrist and visible as you queue for the swim start.
- It is your responsibility to count the correct number of lengths.
- The swim course is very straightforward and will be explained to you during the Race Brief. There are signs and stewards to help if you get confused.
- The pool is 25 meters long.
- Please take extra care on the poolside floor and steps with wet feet, as it will be slippery!
- Swimmers will be started at 15 second intervals.
- It is not compulsory to wear a swim cap in the swim. If you wish to wear one, please use your own or you can purchase one at the UK Triathlon shop for just £5.00.
- You can enter the water once the previous competitor has started their swim. The starter will tell you when to start your swim.
- For your safety and the safety of other competitors back stroke, tumble turns and diving are not permitted.



Cycle

Fun Challenge – 3k – 3 laps
Endeavour – 4k – 4 laps
Venture – 5k – 5 laps
Sprint / Sprint Relay – 6k – 6 laps

Getting ready for the cycle

- When you finish your swim, head into Cycle Transition Area.
- Your race number must be clearly displayed on your back for the cycle section of the event. You must fasten your helmet before taking your cycle off the rack.
- Any type of cycle can be used as long as it is road worthy. Electric cycles can be used but the battery **must** be disengaged.
- After collecting your cycle, walk or run to the cycle mount line where you commence the cycle section of the race, you cannot mount your cycle until you have crossed the mount line.

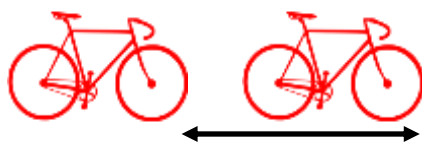
The Course

- You must ride the course in a safe manner and respect your fellow competitors.
- The cycle course is traffic free, flat and entirely on grass.
- The route uses post and tape and has direction signs.
- Keep on the left hand side, unless overtaking.
- Once you have completed the correct number of laps, dismount your cycle at the dismount line, a marshal will also tell you to do so and rack your cycle in your transition space.
- Cycling is not permitted in the Cycle Transition Area.
- Do not unfasten your helmet until you have racked your cycle.



Drafting

- There is very little benefit from drafting on this course. However, there is a risk of competitors catching the rear wheel of the cyclist in front of them.
- Competitors must keep a distance between their front wheel, to the rear wheel of the cyclist in front of them of 3 metres - if overtaking a competitor, you have 30 seconds to pass.



Upon completion of the cycle, rack your cycle and follow the 'Run Start' signs

Run

**Fun Challenge – 1k – 1 lap
Endeavour – 2k – 2 laps
Venture – 3k – 3 laps
Sprint / Sprint Relay – 5k – 5 laps**

- Your race number must be clearly visible on your front before leaving the transition area.
- Follow the run route signs around the course. It is up to you to count your laps on the run; marshals will be taking numbers as a check in the case of suspected insufficient laps completed.
- There is one feed station on the run course which you will pass on every lap, and one at the finish line which will be serving High5 energy drink and water.
- Please use the bins provided, there must be no littering on the course.
- When you have finished the run, turn onto the finish alley and continue through the Mornflake finish gantry.
- Don't forget to collect your finishers medal and hand in your timing chip!

After the Triathlon

You cannot take your cycle out of Cycle Transition Area without your race number and corresponding cycle sticker. You must collect your cycle within 20 minutes of finishing your triathlon.

Relay

If you are an all female relay team & you change to a mixed team, please inform us at customercare@uktriathlon.co.uk or on the day at registration.

- Each member of the relay team completes one or two of the three disciplines in the triathlon.
- At registration you will be given one electronic timing chip.
- After completing the swim, the swimmer passes the electronic chip to the cyclist inside Cycle Transition Area next to where the cycle is racked.
- The cyclist must not put their helmet on or take their cycle off the rack until receiving the electronic chip.
- The cyclist completes the cycle course and passes the electronic chip over to the runner in Cycle Transition Area, only when the cycle has been placed back on the rack and their helmet has been fully removed.
- The runner completes the run and hands in the timing chip at the finish line.
- The other team member/s may join the runner before the finishing straight and cross the finish line as a team.
- All team members receive a medal.



Results and Prizes

- Provisional results and times will be online live as they happen.
- Should you have any problems with your results please email results@uktriathlon.co.uk once the results have been finalised.
- All finishers receive the commemorative 2026 finisher medal.
- Prizes are awarded to the top 3 competitors in the Sprint competition.
- 1st place is awarded to all female and open category/mixed teams in the Relay.
- Prizes for the first place in all five year age groups (see table below) in the Sprint triathlon only.
- Prize presentations will take place toward the end of the event.

Code	Category	Age
A/B	Youth	16-18
C	Junior 19	19
D	Senior 1	20-24
E	Senior 2	25-29
F	Senior 3	30-34
G	Senior 4	35-39
H	Veteran 1	40-44
I	Veteran 2	45-49

Code	Category	Age
J	Veteran 3	50-54
K	Veteran 4	55-59
L	Veteran 5	60-64
M	Veteran 6	65-69
N	Veteran 7	70-74
P	Veteran 8	75-79
Q	Veterans 9	80+

Photography & Filming

UK Triathlon and our official event photographers, My Sport Photos, will be filming/taking photos to capture your best sporting moments. Images may be used for promotional purposes so remember to smile and wave at the camera! Images taken by My Sport Photos will be available to purchase post event. An email will be sent to you once the photos are available. For any photography inquiries please contact info@mysportphotos.co.uk or www.mysportphotos.co.uk.



Other Important Information

Race Conduct

Everyone involved in the event is there to ensure you have a safe and enjoyable experience, so we ask that you respect your fellow competitors and treat all technical officials, event organisers, race crew, volunteers and spectators with courtesy. Any abuse towards these people will not be tolerated and as a result you may be disqualified.

What do I wear

You can wear swimsuit/trunks or a triathlon specific trisuit for the swim. For both the cycle & run leg you can wear cycling or running gear that you're able to both cycle and run in, or a mixture of both. You can also wear a T shirt and shorts. The UK Triathlon technical series shirt is also a good option and can be purchased at the event (subject to availability). You can also wear a triathlon specific trisuit. If it is cooler, you can wear long sleeves or long pants or add layers like a windproof jacket.

Is there a bag drop area?

There is no bag drop area, but you can leave a bag in Cycle Transition Area.

Illegal Equipment

For your safety and the safety of other competitors, certain items are banned during the event as well as in Cycle Transition Area. This includes any music, headphones, headsets, technical earplugs (including bone conduction headphones), mobile phones and personal video recording devices. You may however use your device for tracking your race i.e Strava/Garmin.

Littering

Do not discard water bottles, gel or bar wrappers. Littering is prohibited during the event. Please use the bins at the feed stations or at the venue. If you can carry a gel full, you can carry the wrapper empty.

Race Format

UK Triathlon reserve the right to alter the date, start time, venue or format of an event. Similarly, changes to the event may occur due to adverse weather conditions, 'acts of God', water conditions or emergency road closures. Participants will be notified as soon as possible of any changes. As long as the event is staged no refunds or transfers can be given.





CALENDAR 2026

APRIL

19 STRATFORD TRIATHLON

2 distances, pool based
Stratford Upon Avon,
Warwickshire.

MAY

09 CHESHIRE KIDS DUATHLON

6 distances, for 5 to 16yrs
Barony Park, Nantwich.

10 CHESHIRE TRIATHLON

2 distances, outdoor pool
Barony Park & Nantwich
Leisure Centre, Cheshire

16 GLASGOW TRIATHLON

+ Kids Triathlon
3 distances, pool based
Bellahouston Park

30 HENLEY KIDS TRIATHLON

6 distances, for 5 to 16yrs
Henley Leisure Centre,
Henley-on-Thames,
Oxfordshire

31 HENLEY TRIATHLON

2 distances, pool based
Henley Leisure Centre,
Henley-on-Thames,
Oxfordshire



JUNE

13 SHROPSHIRE TRIATHLON

2 distances, lake swim
The Mere, Cremorne
Gardens, Ellesmere,
Shropshire

14 ULTIMATE 150 TRIATHLON

3km S - 117km B - 30km R
Lake swim
The Mere, Cremorne
Gardens, Ellesmere,
Shropshire

14 ULTIMATE 100 TRIATHLON

2km S - 78km B - 20km R
Lake swim
The Mere, Cremorne
Gardens, Ellesmere,
Shropshire

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14 ULTIMATE 50 TRIATHLON

1km S - 39km B - 10km R
The Mere, Cremorne
Gardens, Ellesmere,
Shropshire

27 CALDICOT TRIATHLON

+ Kids Triathlon
3 distances, pool based
Caldicot Leisure Centre,

AUGUST

01 BIRMINGHAM TRIATHLON

+ Kids Triathlon
3 distances, pool based
King Edward's School,
Birmingham

15 YORK KIDS TRIATHLON

6 distances, for 5 to 16yrs
York Sport Village, York

16 YORK TRIATHLON

2 distances, pool based
York Sport Village, York

SEPTEMBER

05 ALDERFORD KIDS TRIATHLON

5 distances, for 7 to 16yrs
Alderford Lake, Whitchurch

06 ALDERFORD TRIATHLON

3 distances, lake swim
Alderford Lake, Whitchurch

19 NORTH WEST KIDS DUATHLON

6 distances, for 5 to 16yrs
Barony Park, Nantwich

20 NORTH WEST TRIATHLON

2 distances, outdoor pool
Barony Park & Nantwich
Leisure Centre, Cheshire

OCTOBER

04 WARWICKSHIRE TRIATHLON

2 distances, pool based
Stratford Upon Avon,
Warwickshire.



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2026 RACE LEAGUE

Take part in 3 or more qualifying UK Triathlon Events in 2026. Compete against your rivals, see if you can win your age group or even the entire league!

Complete a minimum of 3 Sprint or Standard Olympic distance (includes Ultimate 50) events to automatically enter the league.

Track your progress against your friends, team mates or rivals.

Take part in the league as a challenge or incentive to improve your swimming, cycling and running.

Every event earns you points as a percentage of the winners time, so your points earned are always comparable to other events, whichever one you do.

If you do more than 3 events, your best 3 results will count for your overall standing.

Overall winners and 1st in every age group awarded at the end of the season.

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2026 RACE LEAGUE



Take part in 3 or more individual Sprint or Olympic UK Triathlon Events in 2026 to qualify.

Your 3 highest scoring events will automatically count as your total score.

Prizes are awarded to the top 3 competitors & 1st place in every 5 year age group in both Open & Female categories.

2026 TEAM TROPHY



Awarded to the highest scoring teams or clubs taking part in Sprint or Olympic UK Triathlon events this year.

To qualify for the 2026 Team Trophy, teams or clubs must score in a minimum of 2 different events.

ENDURANCE AWARD 2026



Take on the challenge of completing five or more UK Triathlon events this year and earn the prestigious Endurance Award 2025 for your mantelpiece!

All events count! Fun, Tri Together, Super Sprint, Sprint, Olympic, Middle Distance or Any Ultimate event.

SCAN THE QR CODES FOR MORE INFORMATION OR VISIT

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each race



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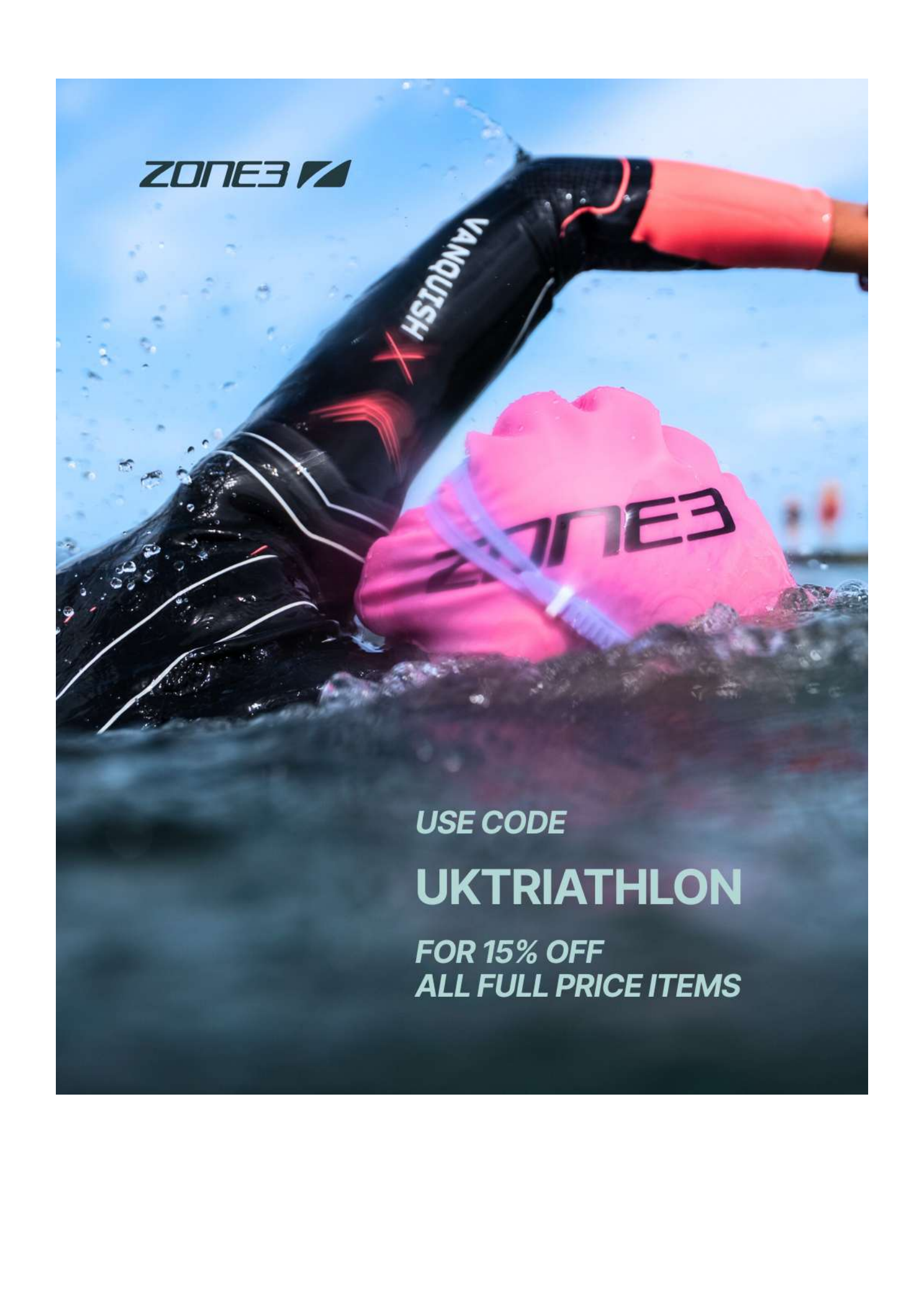


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