



OPEN BELGIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025

TECHNICAL MEET
#OBC25



Welcome





COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

TECHNICAL DELEGATE CHAIRMAN

MR. ETIENNE DESFOSES

POOL DECK REFEREE

MR. JOERI JACOBS (WOMEN)
MRS. MARTINE DOLPHEN (MEN)

ORGANISATION

ROYAL BELGIAN SWIMMING FEDERATION
MRS. KIM VAN MALDEREN



COMPETITION RULES



- **THE OPEN BELGIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS SWIMMING IS HELD UNDER WORLD AQUATICS REGULATIONS.**
- **THE OPEN BELGIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS SWIMMING 2025 WAS ASSIGNED A WORLD AQUATICS QUALIFICATION LABEL.**
- **PARA-SWIMMERS WILL ALSO BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OBC 2025 (IPC RECOGNITION).**



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530
participants

87
clubs/teams

17
nationalities

OLYMPIC SWIMMING CENTRE WEZENBERG ANTWERP

ADDRESS

DESGUINLEI 17-19
2018 ANTWERPEN

TWO POOLS

COMPETITION POOL: 50M, 8 LANES
HIGH PERFORMANCE POOL: 50M, 6 LANES

ELECTRONIC TIME REGISTRATION

ALGE SWIMTIME



Surroundings and Entrances





OLYMPIC SWIMMING CENTRE WEZENBERG

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TEAM ENTRANCE

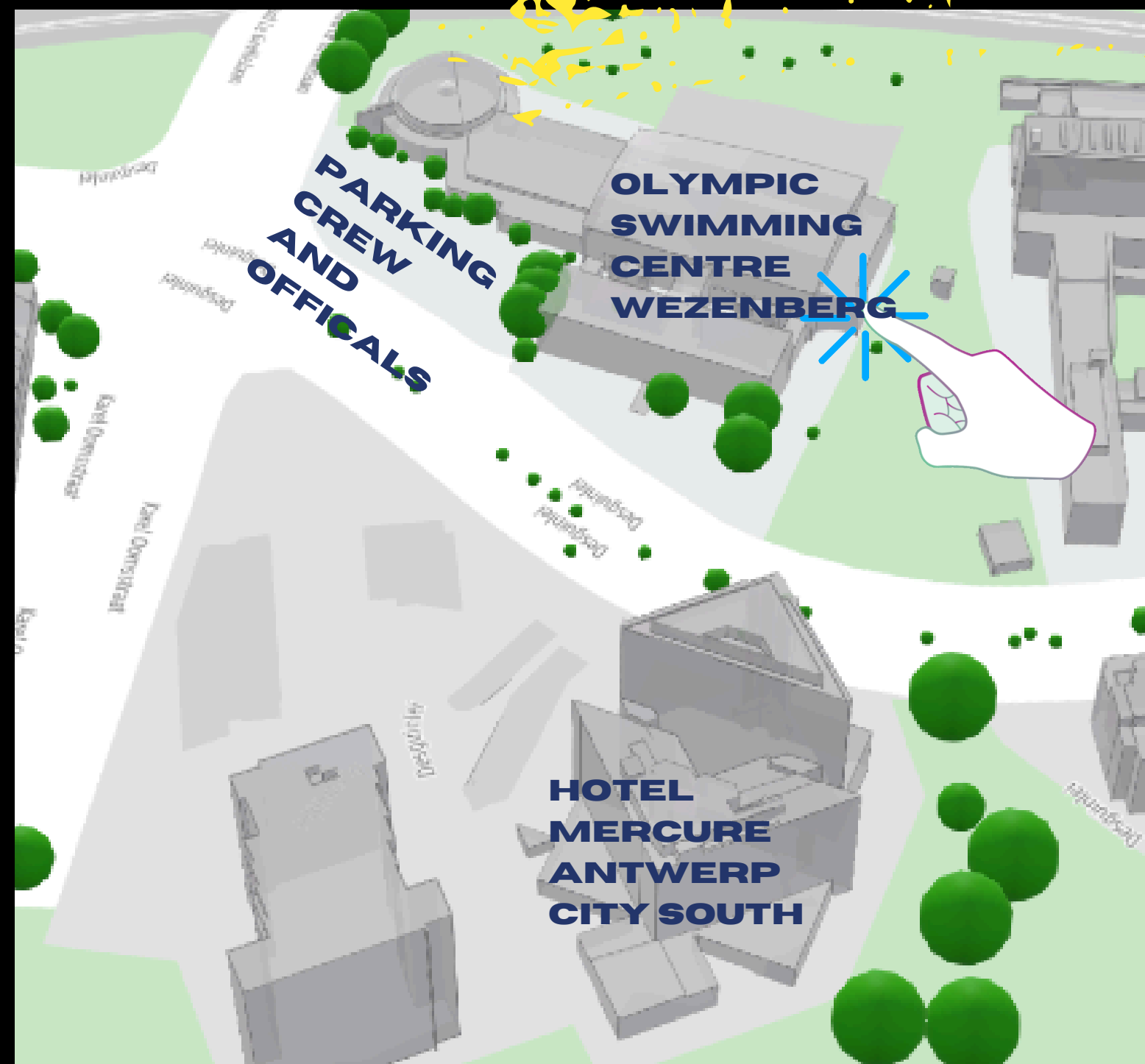
WHEN FACING THE BUILDING, THE ATHLETES
ENTRANCE IS AT THE RIGHT SIDE.

DOORS OPEN

7:15 AM ON ALL THREE DAYS

COMPETITION DOCUMENTS

IN THE MAILBOXES AT THE CLUB
ENTRANCE





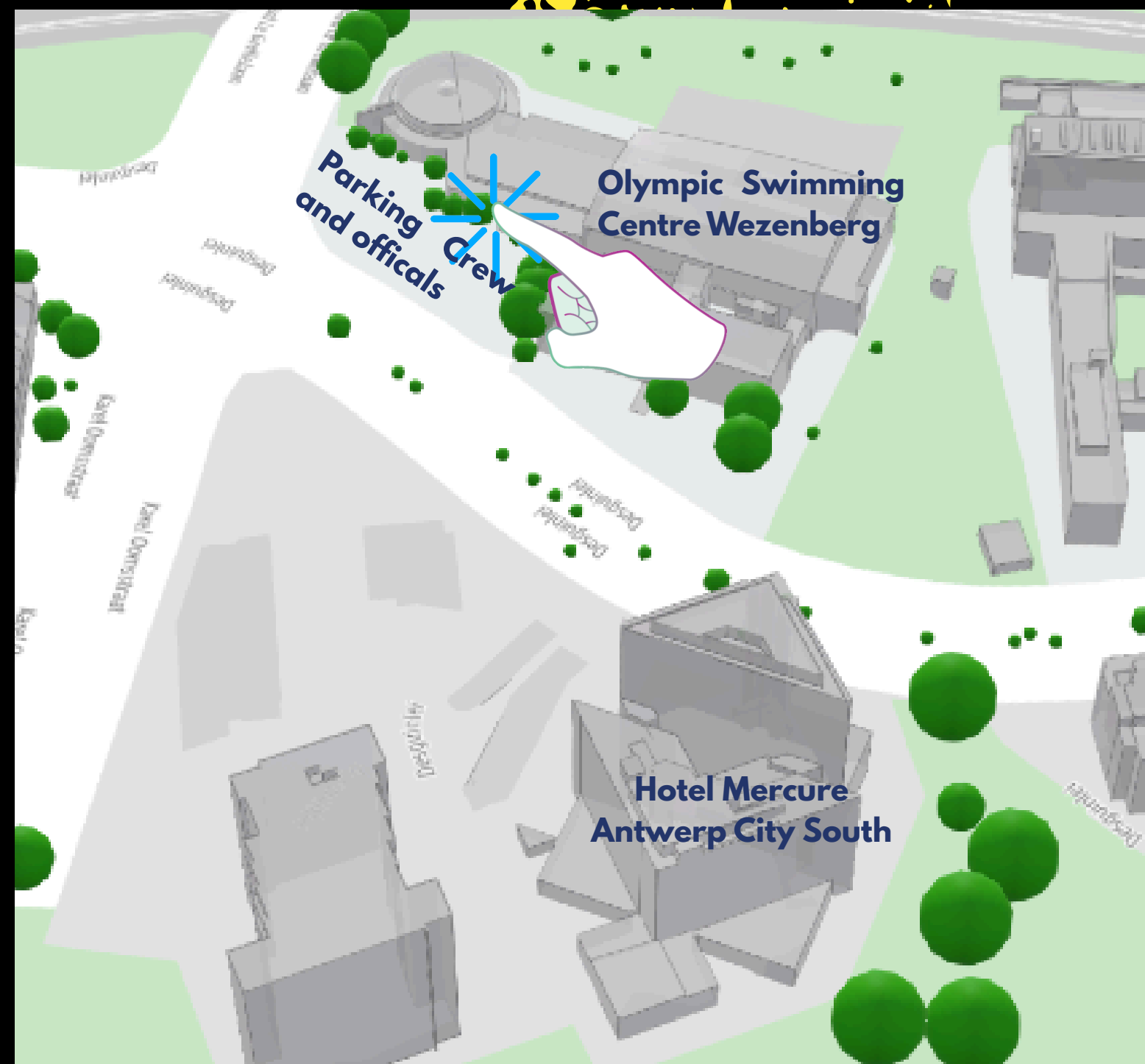
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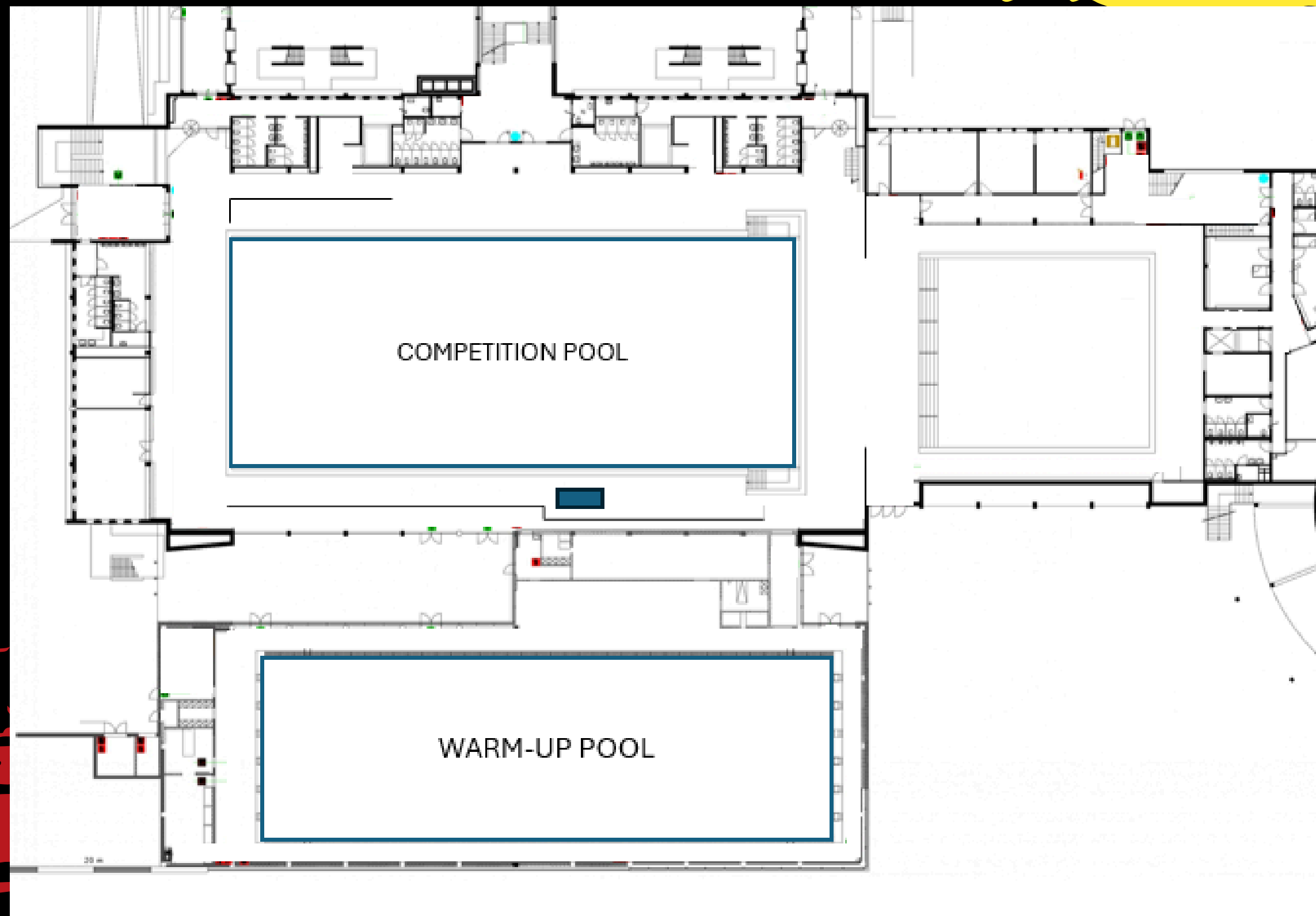
OFFICIALS & CREW

ENTRANCE FOR OFFICIALS THROUGH THE
CREW PARKING

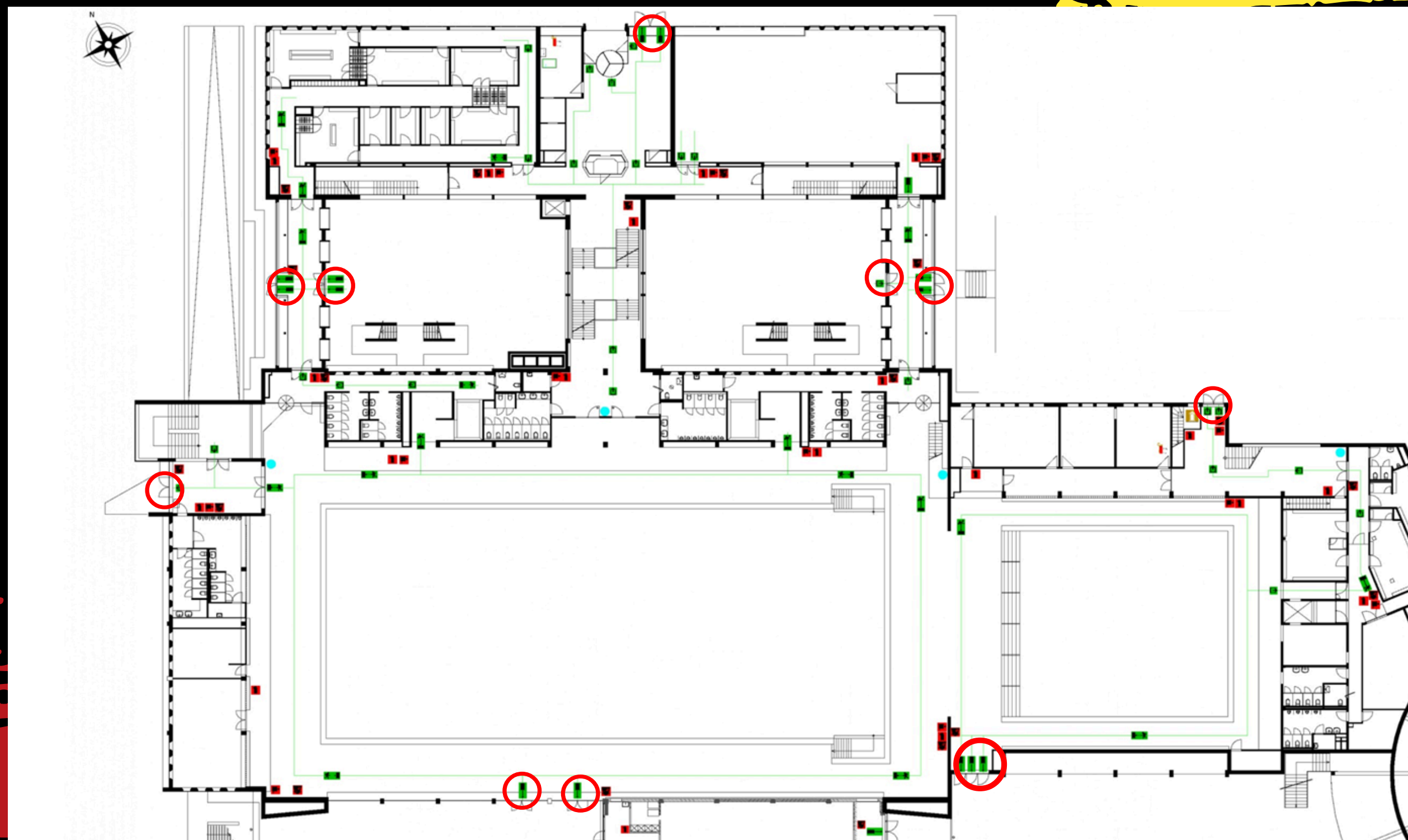
PLEASE NOTE IN THE CAR PARK: ONLY
USE THE ACTUAL PARKING SPACES!



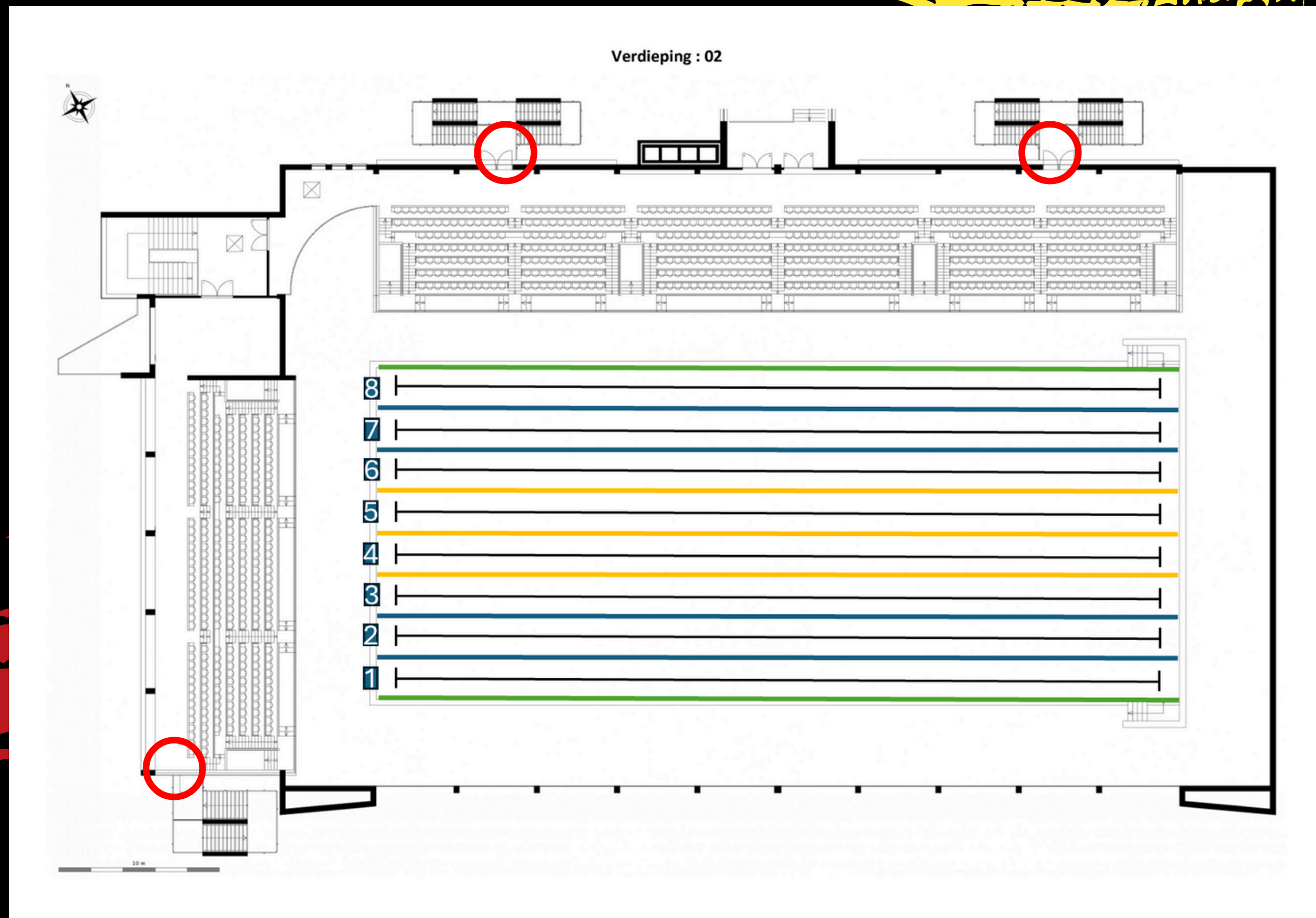
POOL SET-UP



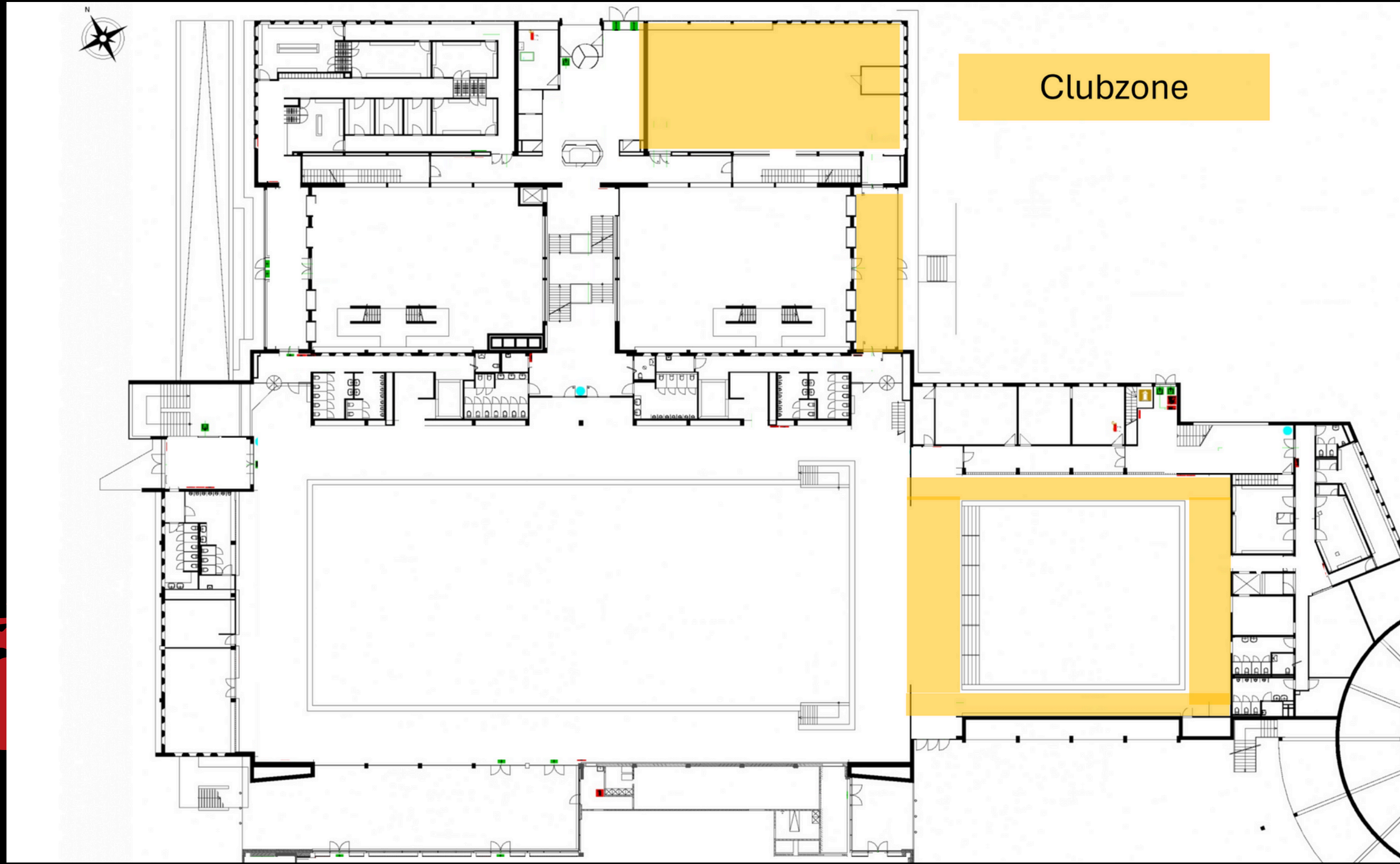
POOL SET-UP: EMERGENCY EXITS



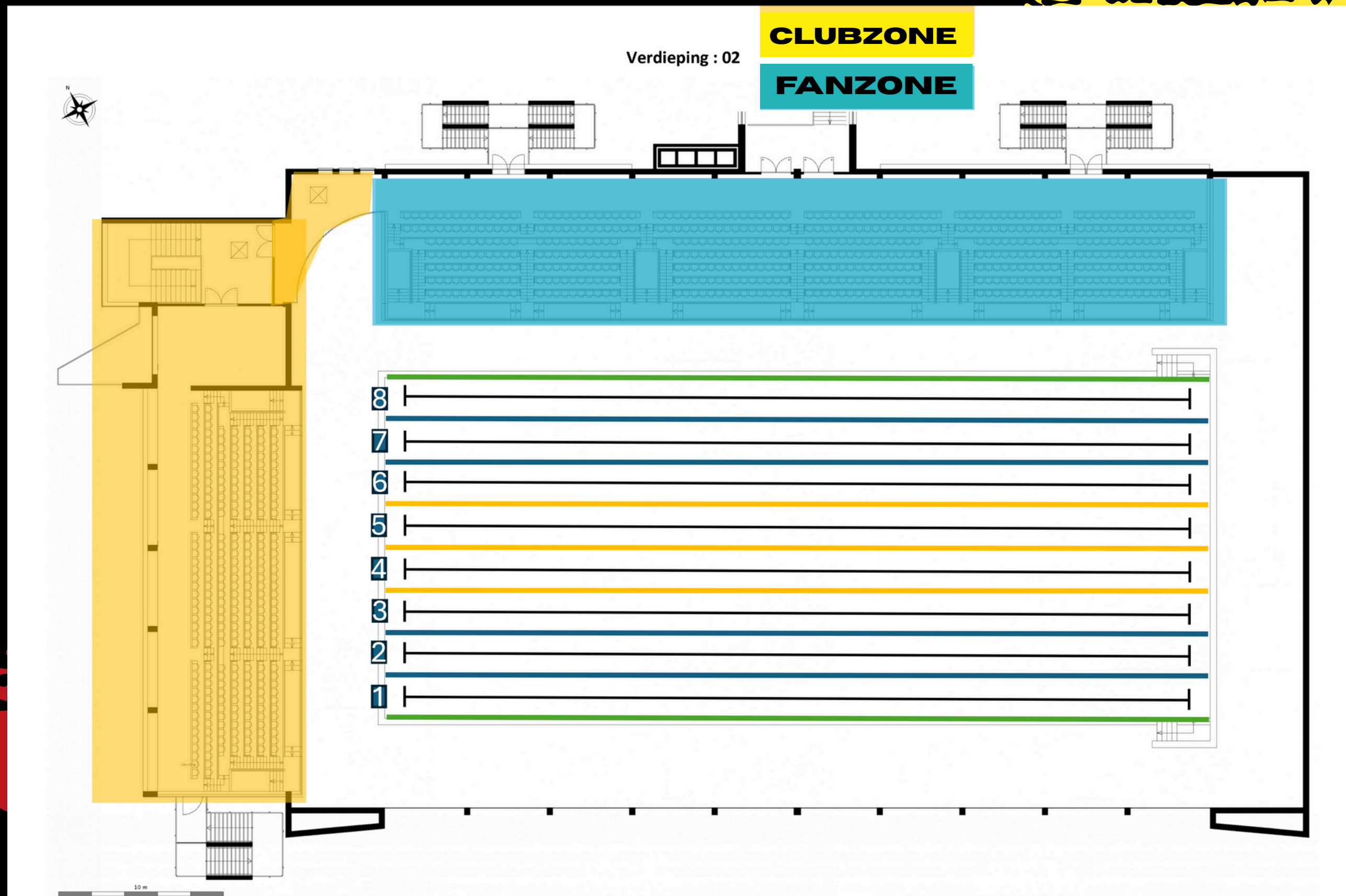
POOL SET-UP: EMERGENCY EXITS



POOL SET-UP: CLUBZONE: GROUND FLOOR



POOL SET-UP: CLUBZONE: STANDS



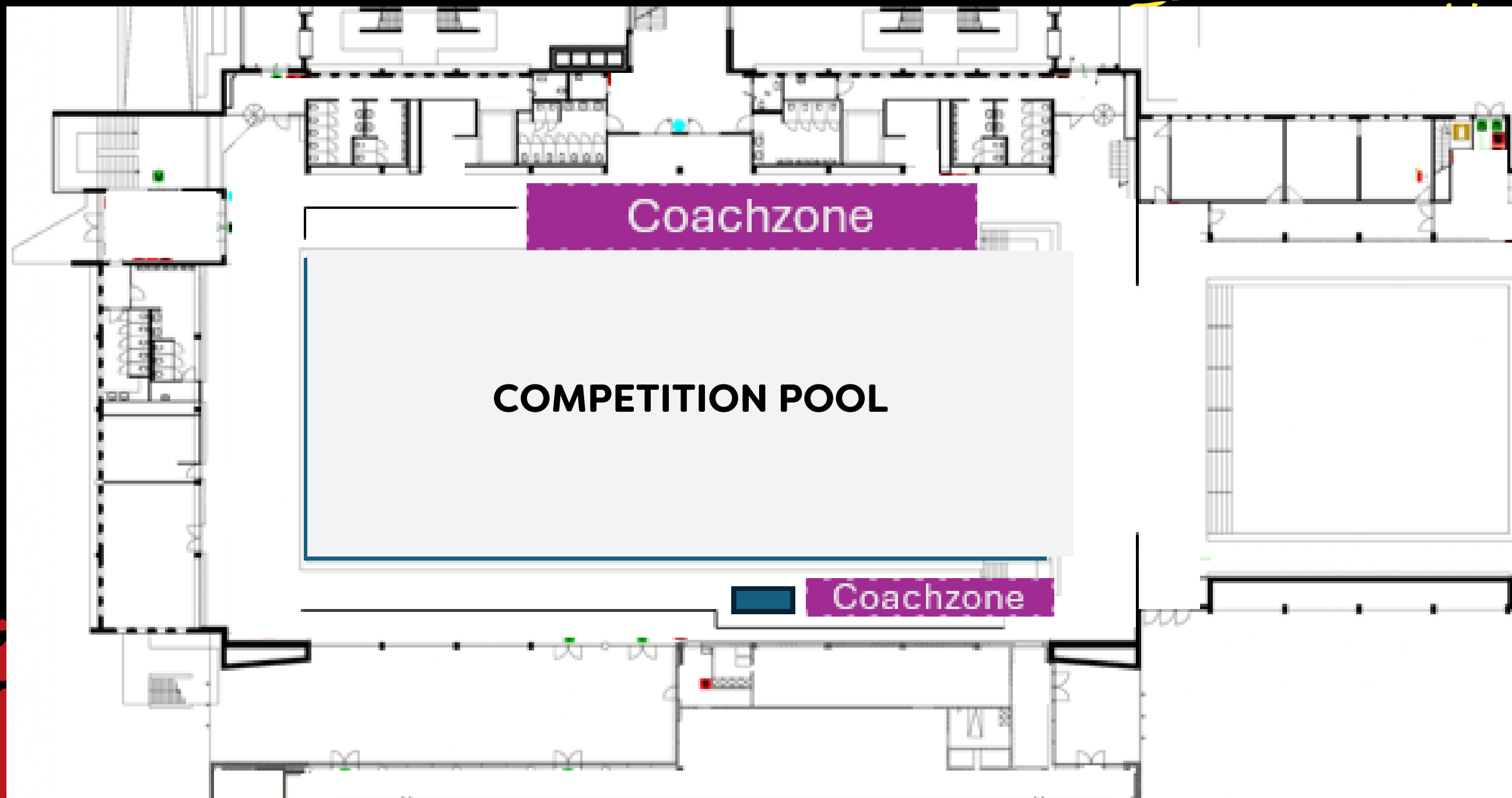


POOL SET-UP: CLUBZONE: STANDS

- **KEEP THE (EMERGENCY) EXITS FREE AT ALL TIME;**
- **BEDS AND MATS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE ACCOMMODATION;**
- **PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE FLOOR IS CLEAR AND CLEAN WHEN YOU LEAVE THE POOL!**



POOL SET-UP: COACHZONE



CALLROOM

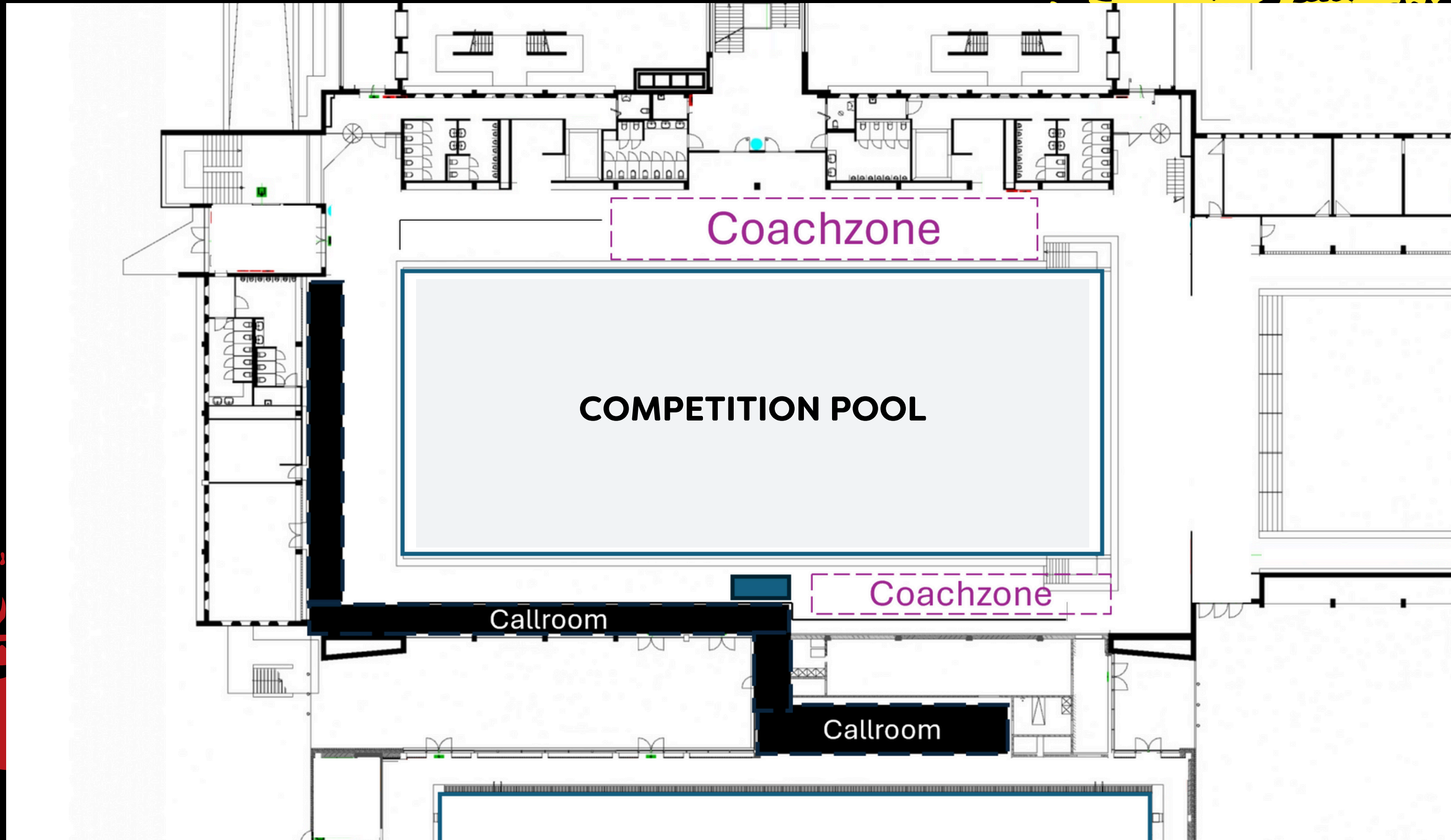
THE ENTRANCE TO THE CALL ROOM IS LOCATED IN THE WARM-UP POOL;

- THERE ARE 4 CALL ROOMS, THESE ARE NOT ACCESSIBLE TO COACHES AND DELEGATES (EXCEPTION: GUIDES OF PARA SWIMMERS WITH AN 'A' EXCEPTION CODE.);**
- PASSING BY THE CALL ROOM IS PROHIBITED FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NOT BEEN CALLED**

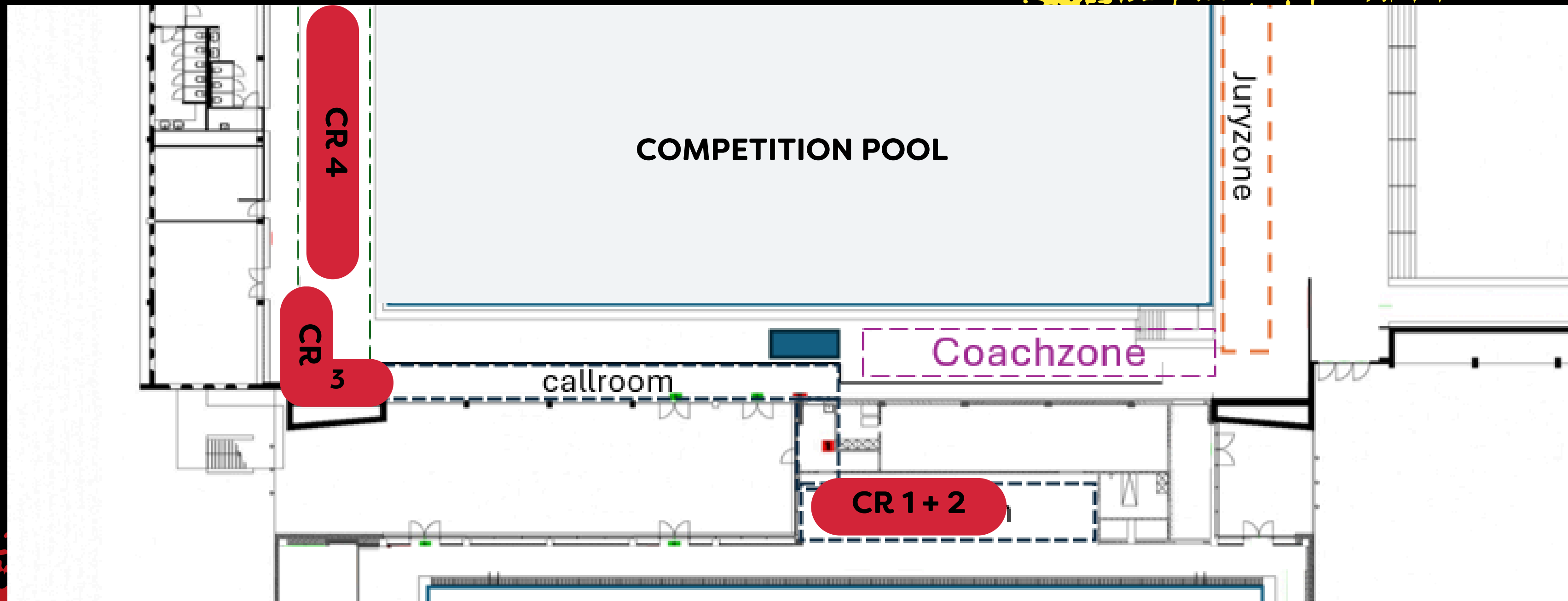
PLEASE NOTE: THE TIMES IN THE PROGRAM ARE INDICATIVE;



CALLROOM



CALLROOM



START- AND JURY ZONE + TABLE OF THE JURY

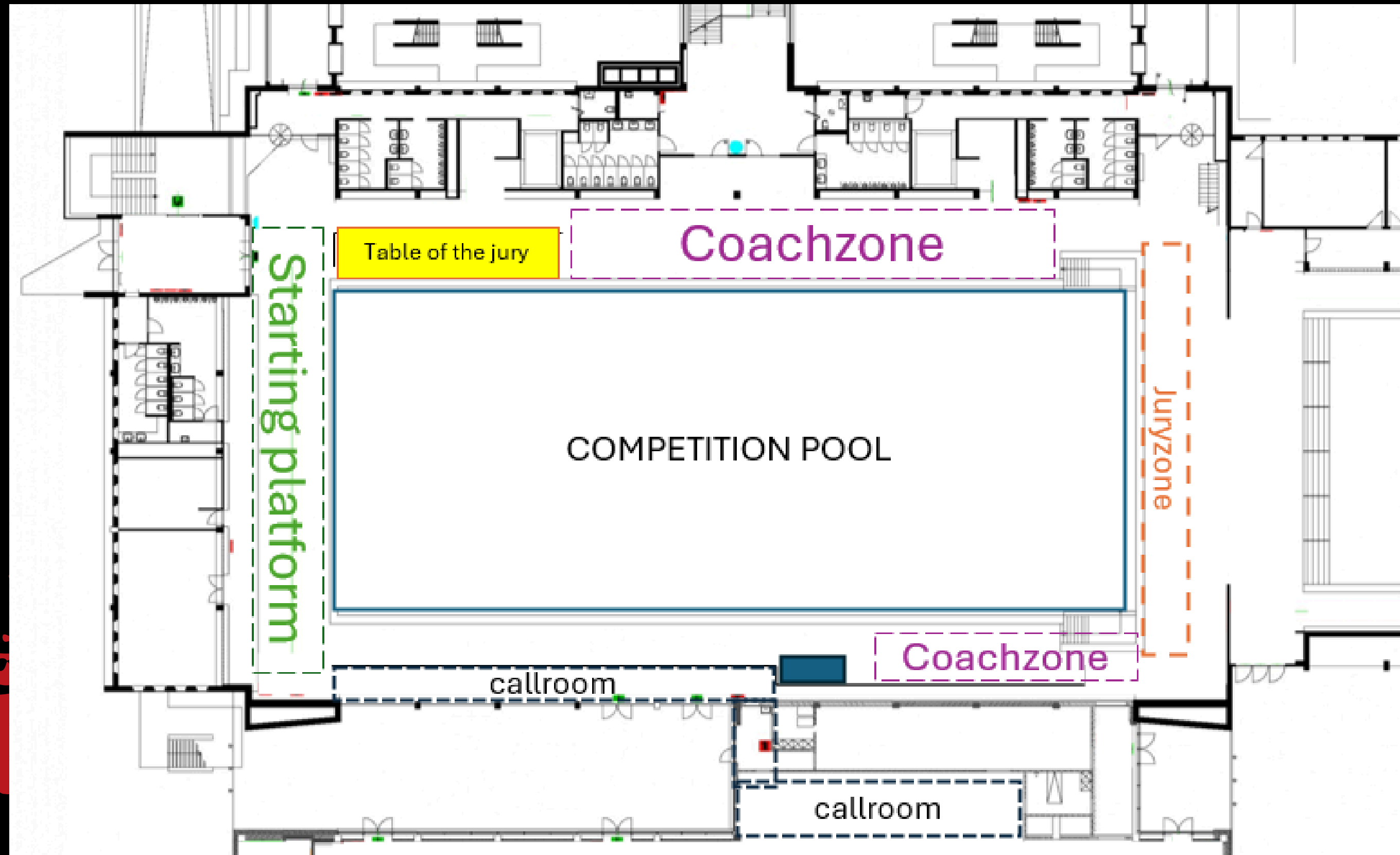
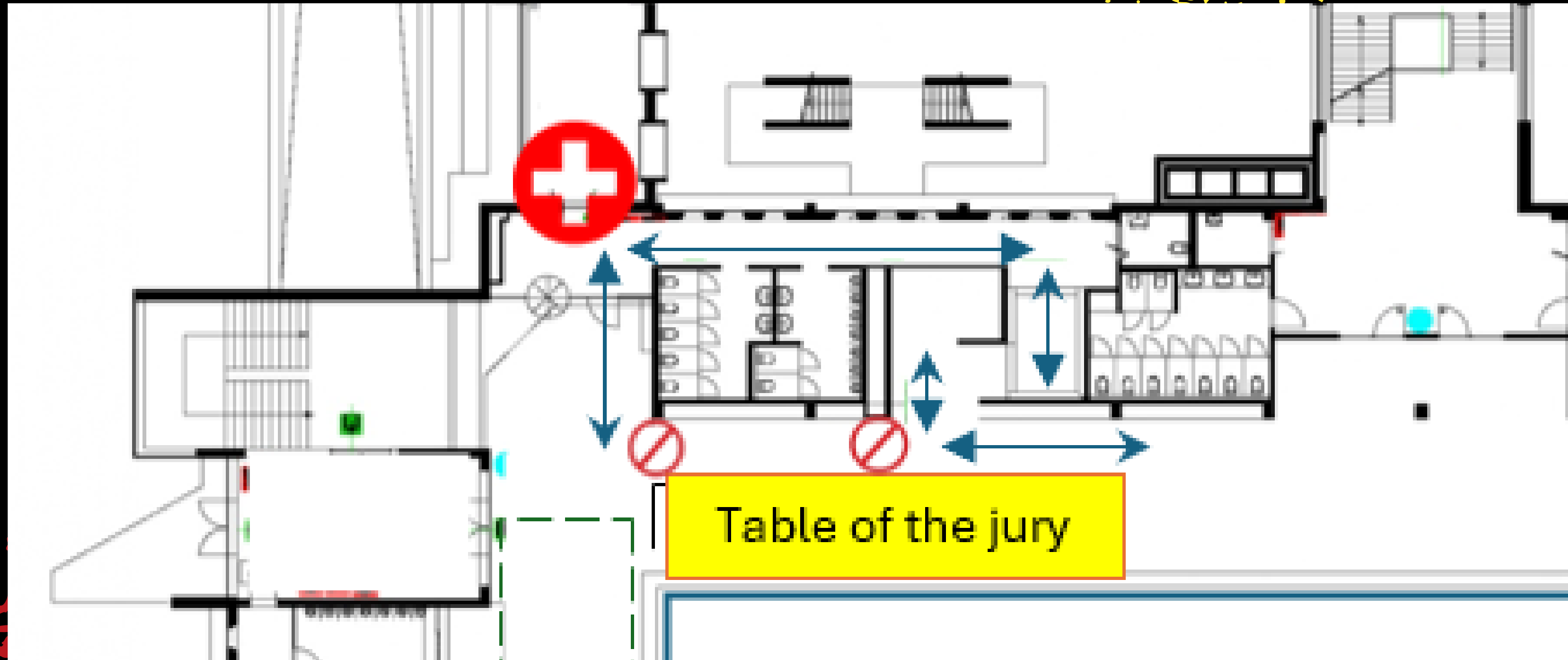


TABLE OF THE JURY



RESOLUTION DESK

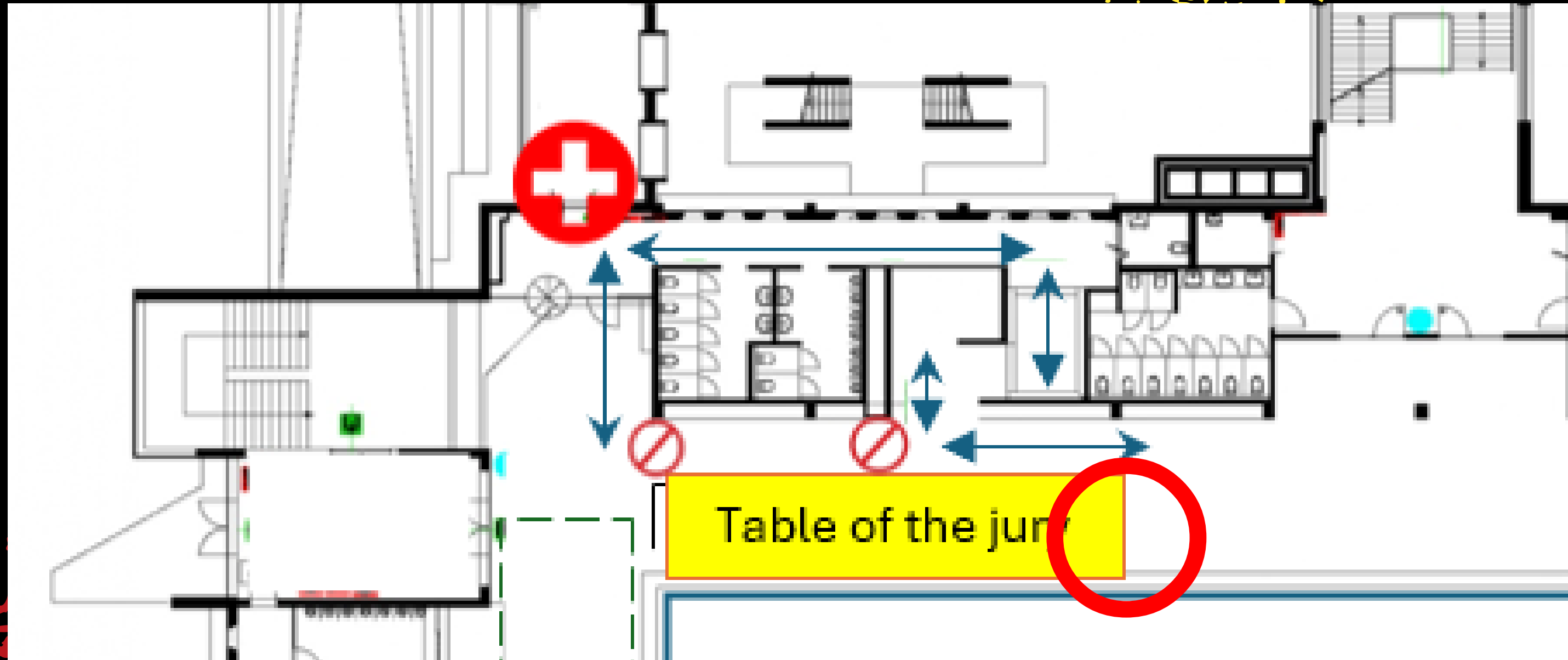
AVAILABLE FROM THE START OF THE WARM-UP UNTIL THE END OF THE COMPETITION;

• **FUNCTION:**

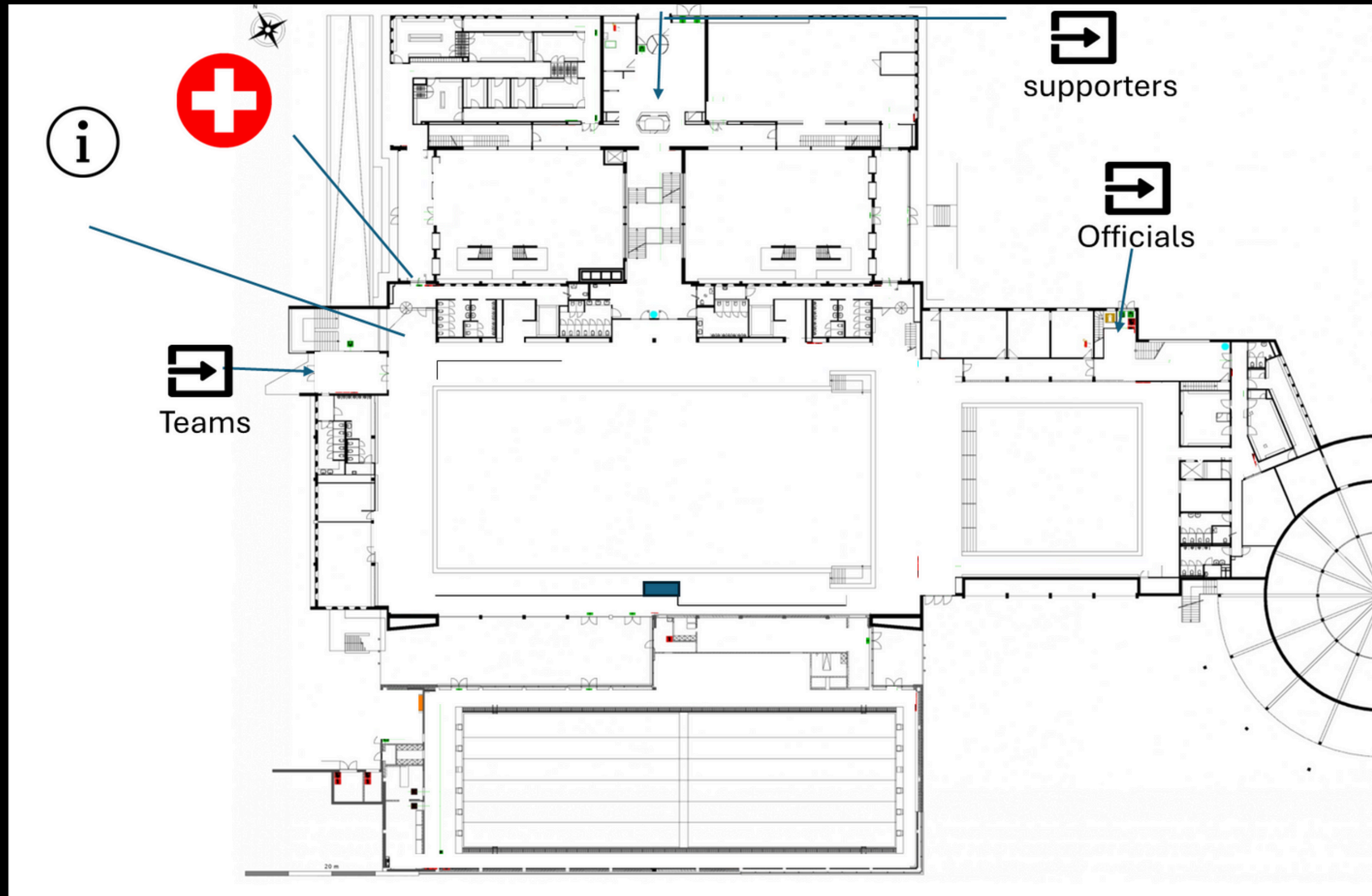
- **ANY CONTACT BETWEEN TEAM REPRESENTATIVES AND THE JURY;**
- **ANSWERS TO SPECIFIC QUESTIONS FROM DELEGATES REGARDING THE PROGRESS OF THE COMPETITION;**
- **RECEIVING AND ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OF:**
 - **CLUB ATTENDANCE;**
 - **REPAYMENT COMPOSITIONS;**
 - **WITHDRAWALS;**
 - **COMPLAINTS;**



RESOLUTION DESK



POINTS OF INTEREST



WARMING-UP + START COMPETITION

MORNING SESSIONS

7:15 AM - DOORS OPEN:

7:30 - 8:45 AM - WARM-UP @ COMPETITION POOL

9:00 AM - START COMPETITION:

AFTERNOON SESSIONS (OPEN FINALS)

3:00 PM - START WARM-UP POOL @ WARM-UP POOL

4:30 PM - START A&B FINALS

**THE WARM-UP POOL IS AVAILABLE UNTIL
30 MINUTES AFTER THE END OF THE
COMPETITION.**



WARMING-UP + START COMPETITION

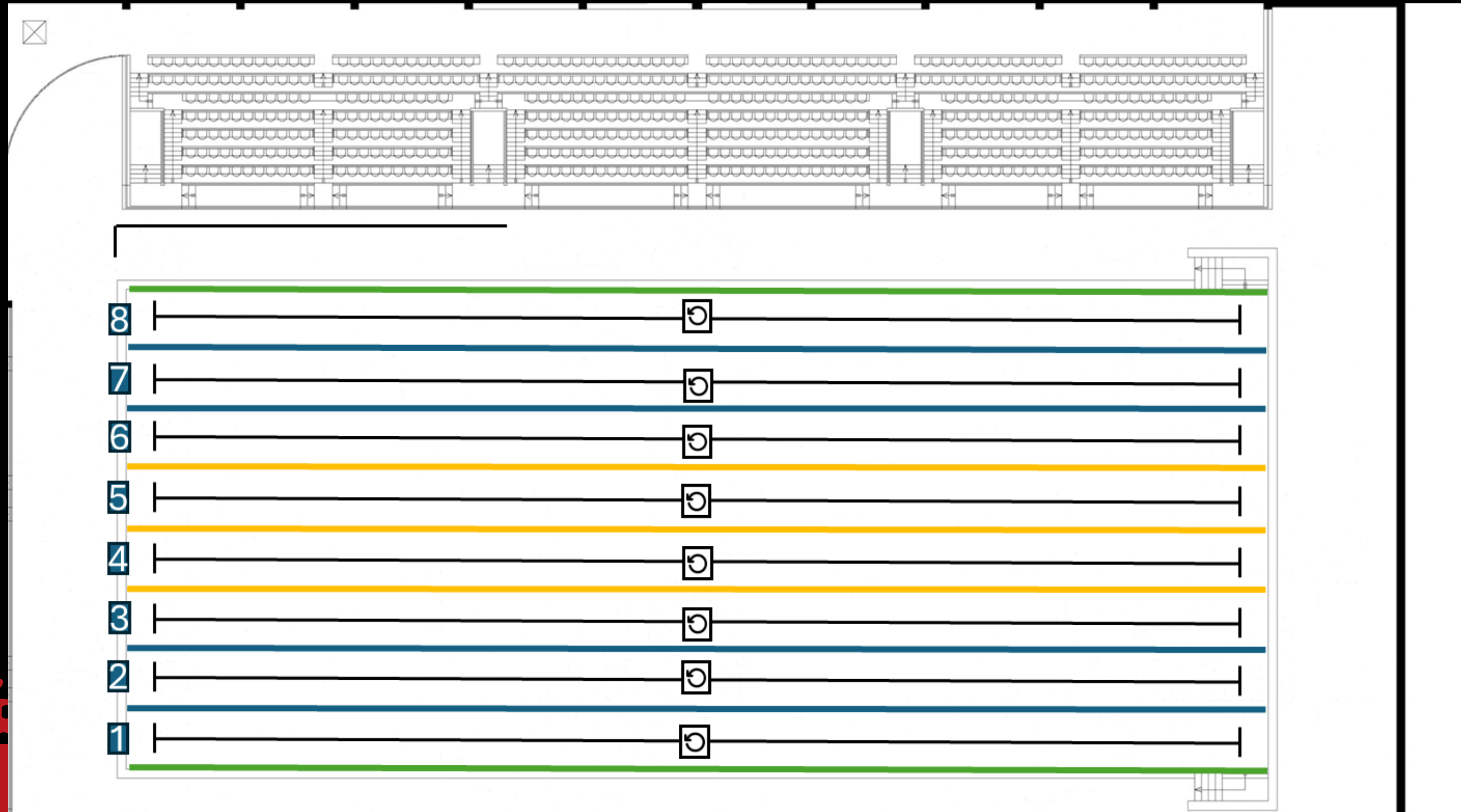
YOUTH PROMO FINALS

2:15 PM - START WARM-UP POOL @ WARM-UP POOL

3:20 PM - START YOUTH PROMO FINALS

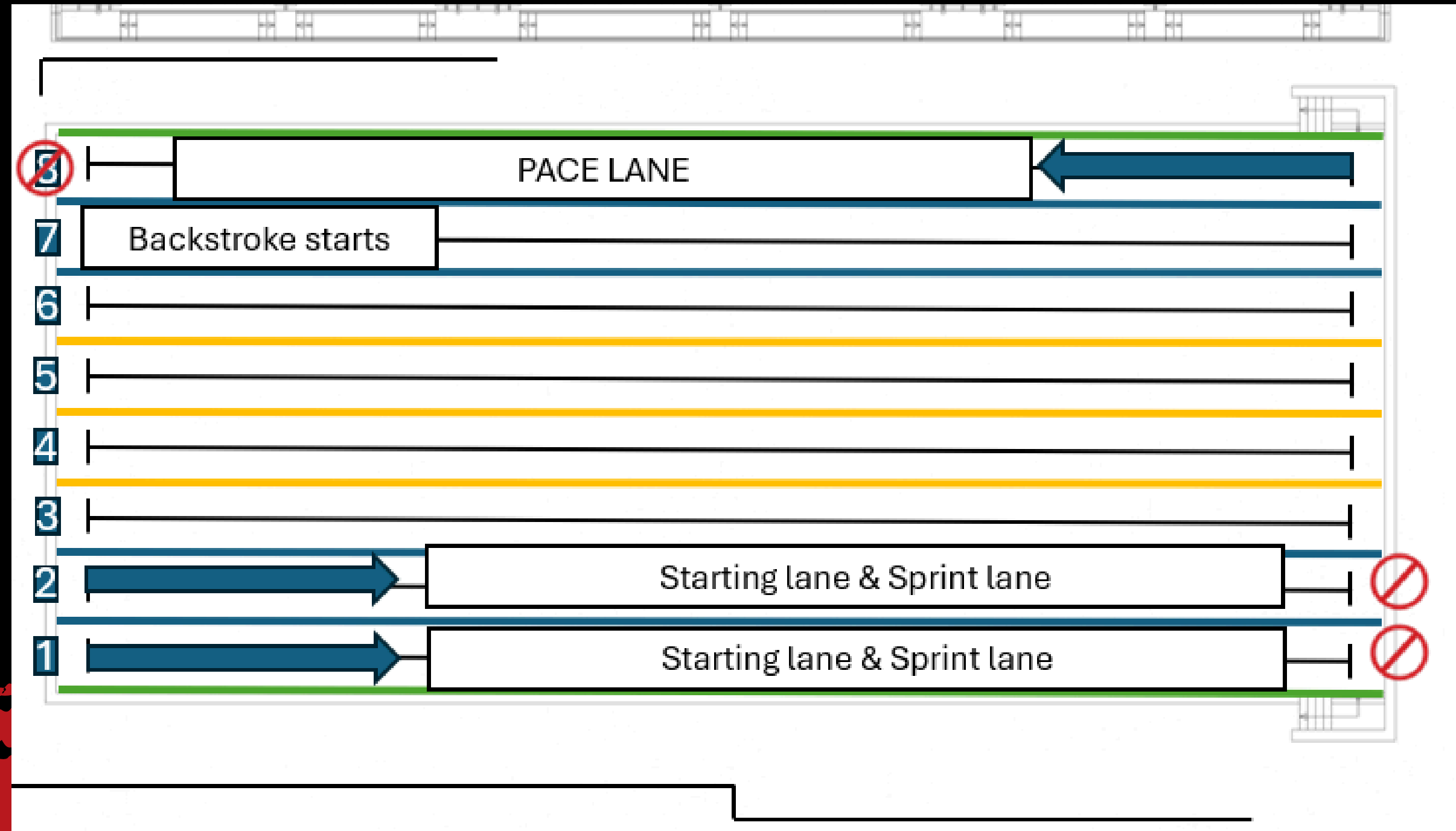


WARMING-UP (STARTING SITUATION)



ORGANISATION WARM-UP: COMPETITION POOL

(30 MIN. BEFORE THE END OF THE WARM-UP)



WITHDRAWAL LISTS

THE **WITHDRAWAL LISTS** MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE **RESOLUTION DESK AT LEAST 30 MINUTES** BEFORE THE START OF THE COMPETITION

IF YOU ARRIVE LATER AT THE COMPETITION PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE DELEGATE NOTIFIES THE RESOLUTION DESK OF HIS/HER ATTENDANCE AT LEAST 30 MINUTES BEFORE THE START OF THE FIRST SWIMMER.

WITHDRAWALS FOR THE FINALS SHOULD BE REPORTED TO THE **RESOLUTION DESK** BY FILLING OUT A WITHDRAWAL FORM, WITHIN **30 MINUTES AFTER THE OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**.

EVEN IF A SWIMMER IS LISTED AS A **RESERVE**, A **WITHDRAWAL** MUST BE SUBMITTED IF THE SWIMMER WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE FINAL.



FINALS

- SWIMMERS CAN ONLY **QUALIFY FOR THE FINALS** IF THEY HAVE ACHIEVED THE **QUALIFYING TIME IN THE HEATS.**
- IN EACH **A-FINAL** OF AN INDIVIDUAL EVENT (EXCEPT FOR THE 800M/1500M FREESTYLE), A MAXIMUM OF 2 **ATHLETES WITH A FOREIGN NATIONALITY** MAY PARTICIPATE.
- THE **B-FINAL** IS RESERVED FOR SWIMMERS WITH THE **BELGIAN NATIONALITY.**
- **DIRECT FINALS** FOR THE **800M AND 1500M EVENTS** AND FOR **ALL RELAY EVENTS.**

THEIR WILL ONLY BE AN **A FINAL** FOR THE EVENT 7. 200M BUTTERFLY WOMEN DUE TO THE AMOUNT OF INSCRIPTIONS (LESS THEN 24).



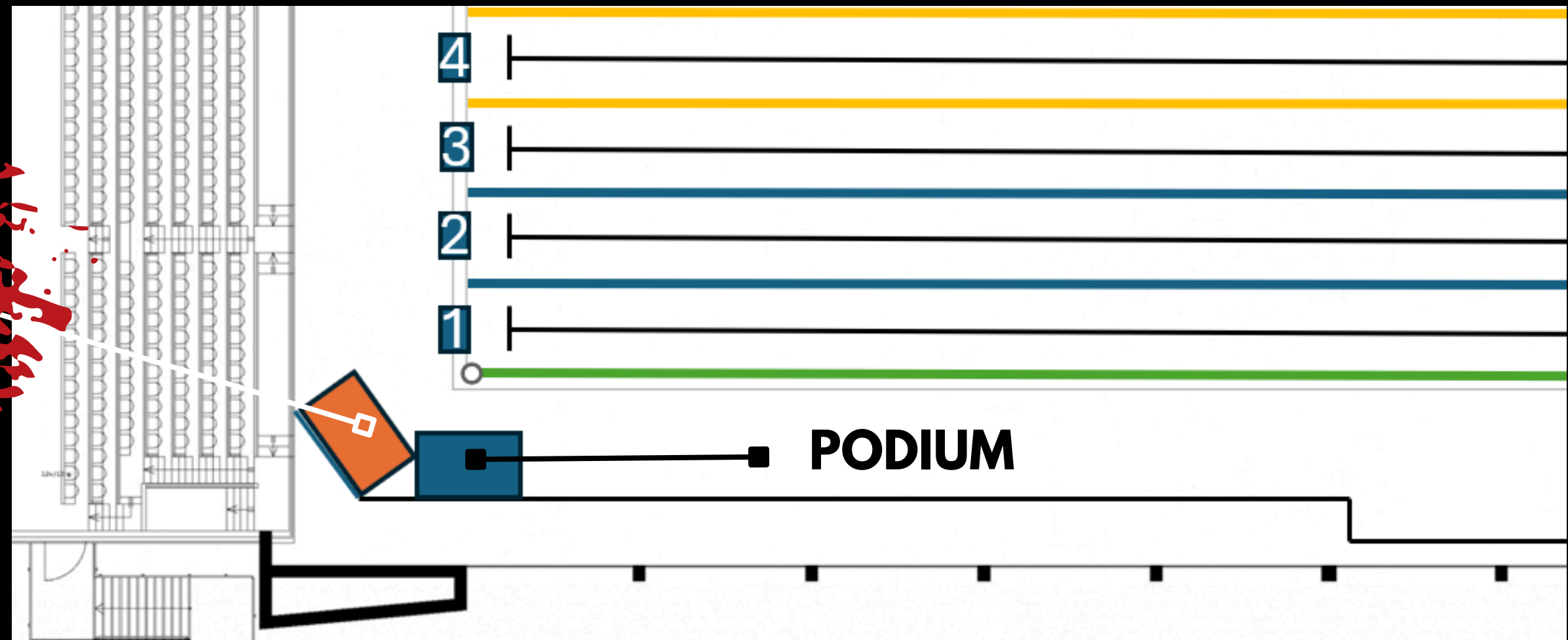
FINALS

- FOR EACH EVENT WE START WITH THE **A FINAL FOLLOWED BY THE B FINAL.**
- SWIMMERS WILL BE **PRESENTED TO THE SPECTATORS BEHIND THE STARTINGBLOCKS (1 TO 8)**
- WE PROVIDE A **BASKET FOR CLOTHING AT THE STARTINGDECK.**
- WINNERS OF THE FINAL WILL GO TO THE HOT SEATS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE RACE.



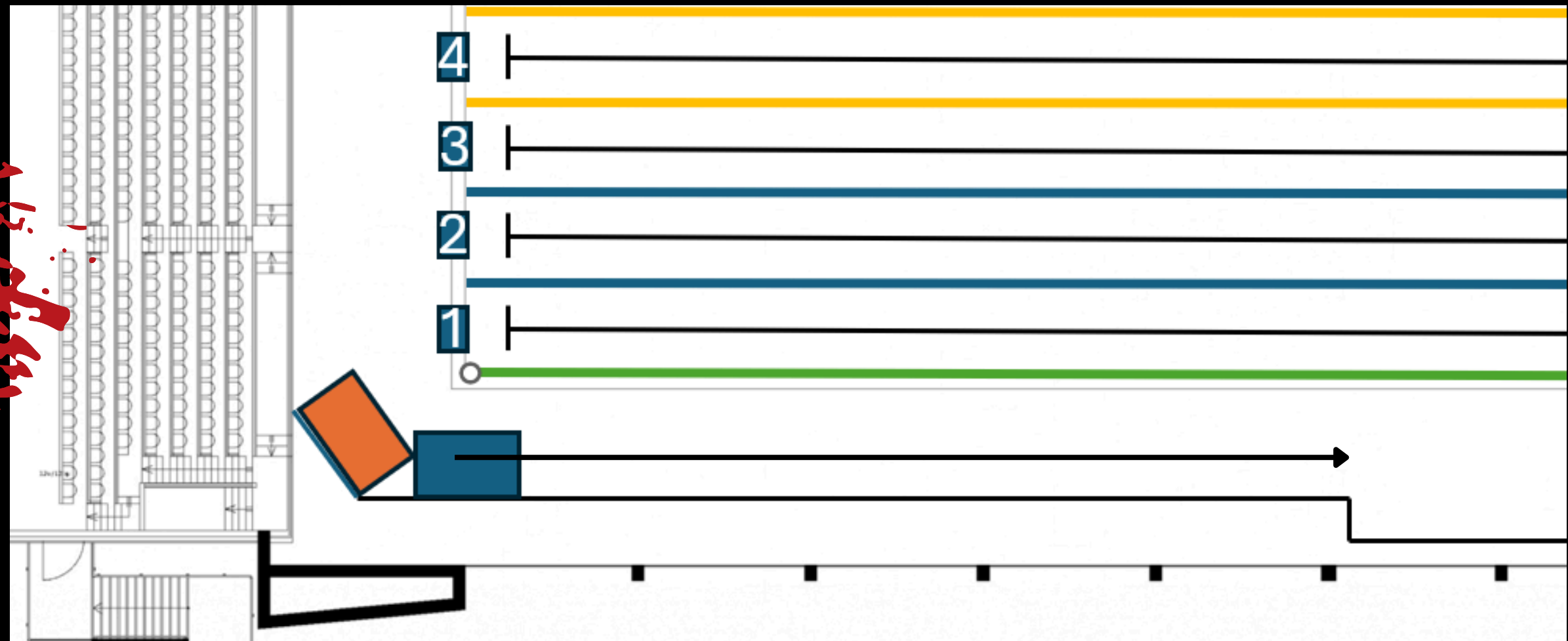
PODIUM CEREMONY

- **AFTER EVERY EVENT (A AND B FINAL) THERE IS A PODIUM CEREMONY. (EXCEPT FOR THE 50M RACES). YOU WILL FIND THE SCHEDULE ON THE LIVETIMING.**
- **WINNERS OF THE A FINAL STAY AT THE HOTS SEATS AFTER THE RACE:**
 - **FIRST 3 BELGIAN SWIMMERS**
 - **IF INTERNATIONAL COMPETITORS END IN THE TOP 3**
- **THE PODIUM IS LOCATED ON THE STARTING BLOCK SIDE NEXT TO THE SPEAKER.**



PODIUM CEREMONY

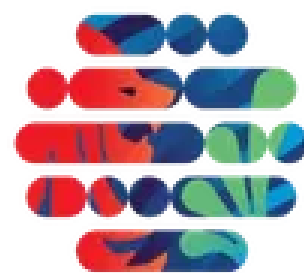
- SWIMMERS WILL LEAVE THE PODIUM GOING TO THE LEFT SIDE (TURN SIDE).



SELECTION FOR SINGAPORE 2025

WHEN BELGIAN SWIMMERS REALIZED A (PM) SELECTION TIME FOR THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN SINGAPORE, WE ASK THEM TO PUSH THE RED BUTTON AFTER THE RACE. BY PUSHING THIS BUTTON, THEY WILL RECEIVE THEIR SYMBOLIC TICKET TO SINGAPORE.

THE RED BUTTON IS LOCATED NEXT TO THE HOT SEATS.



**WORLD AQUATICS
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SINGAPORE 2025**

KEY POINTS FROM THE JURY



Wearables

According to the swimming regulations, it is allowed to use World Aquatics approved wearables at official competitions.

If your athlete wants to wear an approved wearable during the race, the Head of Delegation or the club delegate shall report this to the Pool Deck Referee in order to show the wearable and have it checked.

The Pool Deck Referee might ask to give evidence that the presented wearable is World Aquatics approved (by showing technical specs, invoice...).



Backstroke start procedure

- Officials will place the ledge at water level (position 0).
- Swimmers are responsible for making adjustments to the ledge.
- At the second long whistle the officials move forward to check the position of the toes. When at least one toe of each foot is in contact with the touch pad, the official will step back from the pool edge.
- When the position of the toes is not correct, the official will instruct the swimmer directly to correct the toe position.
- In case a swimmer does not want to use the backstroke ledge, the official should be informed in order to remove it before the start.

NICE TO KNOW (1)

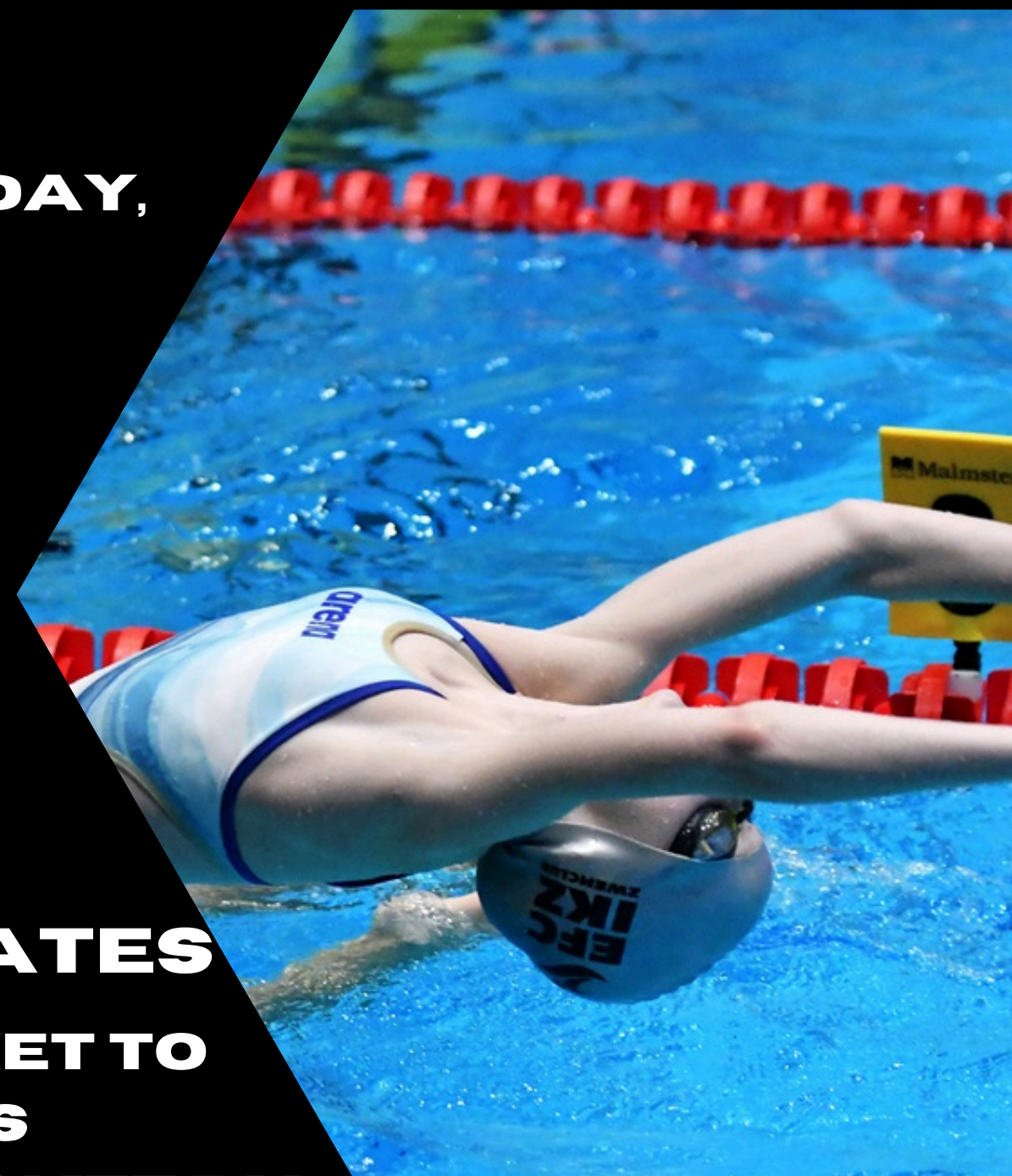
OPEN TRAINING

WE HAVE AN OPEN TRAINING ON THURSDAY,
FROM 7:00 PM UNTIL 8:30 PM.

COACHES CORNER

COACHES CORNER AVAILABLE, PLEASE
BRING YOUR OWN CUP, THIS WAY WE CAN
BUILD A MORE SUSTAINABLE WORLD. YOU
CAN ALSO BUY A "REUSABLE-CUP" AT THE
BAR (2.5 EURO).

TICKETS FOR COACHES AND DELEGATES
EVERY COACH, DELEGATE, ETC. NEEDS A TICKET TO
GET IN. THESE ARE DELIVERED TO THE SPORTS
SECRETARY. YOU CAN CREATE YOUR OWN TICKET BY
USING [THIS LINK](#) WITH THE PASSWORD: "OBC25TEAMS"



NICE TO KNOW (2)

PROGRAM AND COACHES LISTS

THERE WILL BE NO PAPER PROGRAMS AVAILABLE ON SITE. THE PROGRAM IS AVAILABLE VIA THE WEBSITE AND [LIVE TIMING PAGE](#).

IN COLLABORATION WITH TOPTIME WE ARE AGAIN PROVIDING COACHES LISTS. THESE ARE DIGITALLY AVAILABLE VIA THE LIVETIMING WITHIN 48 HOURS BEFORE THE START OF THE COMPETITION.

HELP DETERMINE THE PLAYLIST

ADD SONGS TO THE PLAYLIST! CODE: 119443


HORNS, VUVUZELAS

NO HORNS OR PERCUSSION ARE ALLOWED IN THE SWIMMING COMPLEX.




COMMUNICATION

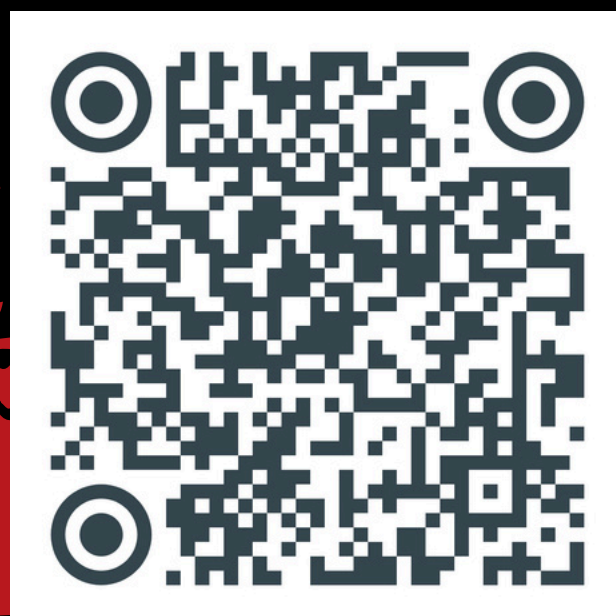
THERE'S A WHATSAPP-COMMUNITY FOR COACHES AND DELEGATES WITH MESSAGES ABOUT COMPETITION-RELATED NEWS, LIKE DISQUALIFICATIONS, RECORDS, ETC.



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**GOOD LUCK TO ALL
PARTICIPANTS!**

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