

**INVITATION**

**CETUS BALTIC OPEN 2025 WATER POLO TOURNAMENT**

**FOR JUNIORS BORN 2012 (and younger)**

ESPOO, FINLAND, APRIL 18th, 2025

On behalf of Cetus Espoo we are pleased to invite your water polo teams to the 9th Cetus Baltic Open Water polo Tournament (CBO) in Espoonlahti swimming pool in Espoo during April 18th, 2025.

Date and time	Friday, April 18th, 2025 approximately between 10 am and 3 pm
Venue	Espoonlahden uimahalli (Espoonlahti swimming pool) Espoonlahdenkuja 4, 02320 Espoo, Finland
Format	<p>The tournament is for teams with players born 2012 or younger.</p> <p>Please note that players who have played in the official series of Aquatics Finland (e.g. ikäkausimestaruussarja) cannot be entered into the tournament.</p> <p>A team may request to enter players born in 2011 or 2010 who have less than one year water polo experience. There may be only one overage player in the field at any one time.</p> <p>Depending on the number of registered teams, there will be one or two playing fields in the pool. There will be as many matches as possible per team taking into account adequate rest periods for players. Every team will not necessarily play against everyone else.</p> <p>All players will receive a participation medal. A placement table for the tournament will not be published.</p>
Rules	<p>Field approx. 10*20 m (Espoonlahti pool across)</p> <p>Small goals</p> <p>Game ball size 3</p> <p>Players 1+5, no limit on the number of substitutes.</p> <p>Playing time 2*10 min running, 2 min break.</p> <p>Normal water polo rules with the following exceptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- goals directly from a free throw is not allowed</li></ul>

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Referees	Teams are requested to bring one referee or pay 50 euros. Please name your referee when registering.
Order of play	Game schedule will be sent to participating teams latest on April 1st, 2025.
Conditions	<p>Your club will bear its own costs of travelling, food, accommodation and transfers to the pool (metro stop 5 mins walk from the pool).</p> <p>Please note that the organizer does not insure participants and you should ensure that your team and players have adequate insurance coverage in case of e.g. injury or illness.</p>
Entry fee	80 euros per team
Entry deadline	You are kindly requested to register by sending an email to <a href="mailto:vesipallo@cetus.fi">vesipallo@cetus.fi</a> by March 21st, 2025.
Further information	If you need any further information, do not hesitate to contact the organising committee.

Looking forward to hearing from you,  
Cetus Espoo  
Cetus Baltic Open Organising Committee

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