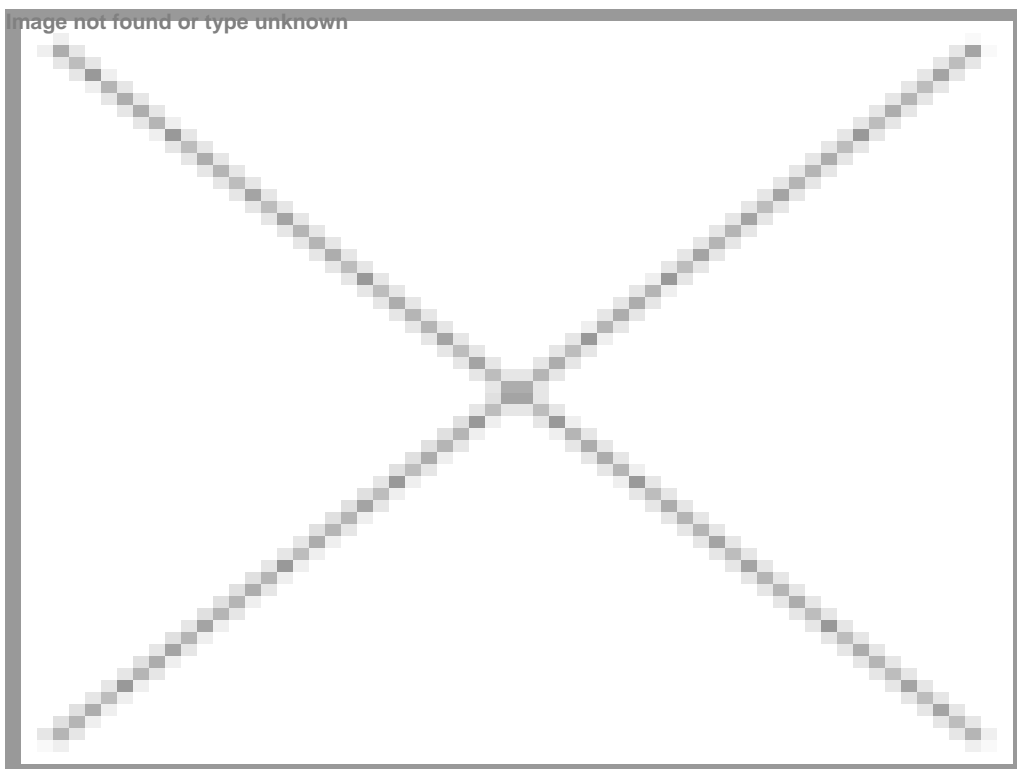


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UIPM INTRODUCES WORLD'S FIRST VIRTUAL LASER RUN COMPETITION



MONACO: April 29, 2020 – UIPM has introduced the world's first virtual Laser Run competition in a bid to unite the global UIPM Sports community during the COVID-19 Coronavirus pandemic.

Registration is now open for #LaserHomeRun – a new concept that enables participants of all ages to add focus to their home training regimes, keep their skills sharp and enjoy the thrill of online competition.

Laser Run is UIPM's fastest-growing development sport and the easiest to organise – a point that the governing body hopes to underline by exploring the popularity of a mass-participation virtual gathering.

The format of #LaserHomeRun is simple – in each round entrants must complete a series of exercises before hitting five targets with a laser pistol in the fastest possible time. UIPM Technical Officials will be appointed to make sure entries are valid.

There will be female and male categories across six age groups – from Under 11 to Masters 60+. Qualification rounds for up to 20 competitors will take place on May 4-5 and the finals will follow on

May 7 – streamed live on UIPM TV.

UIPM Executive Board Member for Media, two-time Olympic medallist Andrejus Zadneprovskis, said: “The aim of #LaserHomeRun is to keep the global UIPM Sports community united, motivated and active during this difficult time in their lives.

“At a time when all UIPM Sports activity has been suspended, social media is playing an important role in enabling people to meet online, compare their home training activities with each other and have fun.

“We hope that #LaserHomeRun will be a nice extension of this – so I would encourage everybody to register today!”

More information about the competition format, including age categories and videos of the exercises, can be found at the registration page: <https://www.uipmworld.org/uipm-laserhomerun-registration-page>.