Suggestion to improve the SUUNTO RACE

1 SINGLE information but GIANT

so it is super easy to read

in absolutely any conditions

The issue

Put yourself in the shoes of a visually impaired person swimming in a pool.

By default, they already have trouble seeing things up close.

On top of that:

They're wearing foggy swimming goggles.

And underwater, vision is even more limited.)

Too many information is exactly like NO INFO AT ALL !!!!

In reality, most people only need a few key pieces of information — and it's the same for a runner.

- How much distance have I already covered?
- What time is it?
- How long have I been exercising?
- What's my heart rate?

(Especially if I'm motivated by reaching a certain distance.)(So I know how long I can continue.)(Especially if I'm focused on time-based goals.)(If I'm monitoring it to stay below a certain threshold.

The solution

Just a smart combination of two simple ideas:

- Display one single but giant piece of information on the watch.
- Then, add a clever twist: at each lap or milestone, the displayed info rotates intelligently.

For example :

At one moment, I'll see how much distance I've already covered.

Then, just a bit later, the display automatically switches to show how long I've been exercising.

A moment after that, it shows the current time.

And why not also include heart rate? That could be useful too.

It is the combination of this 2 ideans which make it great

Why ?????

Because it is indeed PREDICTABLE and last enough for me to read

= I know at each and any moment what information I will see on the watch

Let see it on a swimming pool



On every pair of laps, I'll see the distance for a few seconds — just the time I spend swimming underwater. Then, at the other end of the pool after each turn, I'll see the current time — again, just during the underwater phase. And for the rest of the swim, the display shows the total duration of the exercise.

It is super easy for you to do this because you perfectly know each time I turn and change direction in the swimming pool and me too 😳 😳 So I know exactly at any time which information I will get

The swimming pool being a 25 m or a 50 m does not change anything

Let see it now on a running stadium



It is finally exactly the same The sole thing is that I may not have started from a turn. So for sure it will not tell me precisely when I cross my initial start how much I did But may be you can correlate this with GPS to arrive to this which for sure sill be better

In any case I arrive to same result n every pair of laps, I'll see the distance for a few seconds, the time to read Then, at the other direction change, I'll see the current time — again, just during few seconds the time to read and for the rest of the swim, the display shows the total duration of the exercise.



Here you cannot use the trick of the turns So 2 simple possibilities

- 1) You let always the same display and the user change it though just a click on a button (I prefer this)
- 2) You rotate every each each 30 seconds ? Minute ?

Personnaly I will prefer the first approach as it is me who will have the control Because option 2 makes it unpredictable I will need to see multiple time to get the information I was interrested

Now it's time to see the watch



If you pay attention the font for meters Is far bigger than the one for kilometers

There is a valuable reason for that

Kilometer is a long distance So It remains longer the same on the screen And you perfectly know when you are at a certain kilometer that the next one will last for some time ...

So you may not have seen it well just now You will see the same soon in a few moment

In reverse when you swim for example You want to know at which number of turns You are in the swimming pool and how many remains to arrive to teh next kilometer

So display it BIGGER !!!!!

Another approach is to put the long distance In the gray place

... Instead of the next rotating display

Now it's time to see the watch



Same remark for the time or duration Than for distance The hour are less important ... because 1 hour Is a long period during an exercise

Now one more trick

minutes How to differentiate between the time and The duration

First of all you can put a small graphichal Icon which give a certain modern aspect But this is super small

So my idea is this

Distance and duration are in the SPORT color Time is always WHITE So now I know if I see a time or a duration

For swimming **RED FONT** ???? Is it not what is the most visible under water ?

How to setup this display



So here the result ...







It's 57 minutes and few seconds Since I started I have already Achieved 3 kilometers And now I'm at 525 m In the fourth one So still 475 to cover To be at 4 kilometers It's already 14h39 I have still approx 10% of the time, in fact 13 minutes to accomplish this exercise Alternative with LONG distance or HOURS info in the gray place Example if I see DURATION

One single Information very big

As it is duration it's in Minutes and secondes to maximise the font



In case the duration became greater than one hour

The hour information will appear in the below box, this allow to keep the font maximized for minutes and seconds but still to see the global time

Number of hours is less important to appear big because it does not change during one full hour ③ Alternative with LONG distance or HOURS info in the gray place Example if I see DISTANCE

One single Information very big

As it is distance it's in Meters from 0 to 999 to maximise the font



In case the distance became greater than 1 Kilometer

The distance information will appear In the below box, this allow To keep the font maximized for the short distance but Still to see the global one

Number of kilometer is less important to appear big because it does not change during one full kilometer ^(C)

Alternative with LONG distance or HOURS info in the gray place Example if I see TIME

For the time Display it in another manner than duration To distinguish it

The seconds can also be displayed



Another idea but more sophisitacted

Simply it use your beautiful circle That can be displayed all around the watch

If I can setup a maximum duration or a ending time then then the external colored ring could show me where I'm from the Start to now versus this information

For example here I have already done 3/4 of the Time I allowed to this exercise It remains me 13 minutes In the time I decided to allow