Paddle Worldwide

# 2026 CANOE SLALOM WORLD CUP 4 VAIRES-SUR-MARNE

Team Leader Meeting

**Date**

01 September 2026

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# COMPETITION OFFICIALS

| Role | Name |
|---|---|
| Jury chair | Maryse Viseur |
| Jury member | Richard Fox |
| Jury member | Inaki Gomez |
| Competition Manager | Claire Moal & Laurent Brossat (HOC) |
| Chief Official | Sue Natoli (Paddle Worldwide) |
| Chief Judge | Jean Folger (Paddle Worldwide) |
| Technical Organiser | Pierre Martens (HOC) |
| Course designer | Irati Goikoetxea (Paddle Worldwide) |
| Course designer | Yann Le Pennec (HOC) |

# ROLL CALL FOR NATIONAL FEDERATIONS



## 2026 CSL World Cup 4 Vaires-sur-Marne // Roll call

**Date:** SEPTEMBER 03 - 05

| | Nation | Present | Remarks | | Nation | Present | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | INDIVIDUAL NEUTRAL ATHLETES | x | | 25 | MAURITIUS | x | |
| 2 | ALGERIA | x | | 26 | MEXICO | x | |
| 3 | ANDORRA | x | | 27 | MOROCCO | x | |
| 4 | ARGENTINA | | | 28 | NETHERLANDS | x | |
| 5 | AUSTRALIA | x | | 29 | NEW ZEALAND | x | |
| 6 | AUSTRIA | x | | 30 | PARAGUAY | x | |
| 7 | BELGIUM | x | | 31 | PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA | x | |
| 8 | BRAZIL | x | | 32 | PERU | | |
| 9 | CANADA | x | | 33 | POLAND | x | |
| 10 | CHILE | x | | 34 | PORTUGAL | x | |
| 11 | COLOMBIA | x | | 35 | REPUBLIC OF NORTH MACEDONIA | | |
| 12 | CROATIA | x | | 36 | REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN | x | |
| 13 | CZECHIA | x | | 37 | SENEGAL | x | |
| 14 | FRANCE | x | | 38 | SINGAPORE | | |
| 15 | GERMANY | x | | 39 | SLOVAKIA | x | |
| 16 | GREAT BRITAIN | x | | 40 | SLOVENIA | x | |
| 17 | GREECE | x | | 41 | SOUTH AFRICA | x | |
| 18 | IRELAND | x | | 42 | SPAIN | x | |
| 19 | ITALY | x | | 43 | SWEDEN | x | |
| 20 | JAPAN | x | | 44 | SWITZERLAND | x | |
| 21 | KOSOVO | x | | 45 | TURKEY | x | |
| 22 | LATVIA | x | | 46 | UGANDA | x | |
| 23 | LITHUANIA | x | | 47 | UKRAINE | x | |
| 24 | LUXEMBOURG | x | | 48 | UNITED STATES OF AMERICA | x | |
| | | **23** | | | | **21** | |

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| Number of nations: | 44 |
| Majority: | 22 |

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| **Total presence:** | 44 |



# COMPETITION GUIDE & TEAM LEADER MEETING

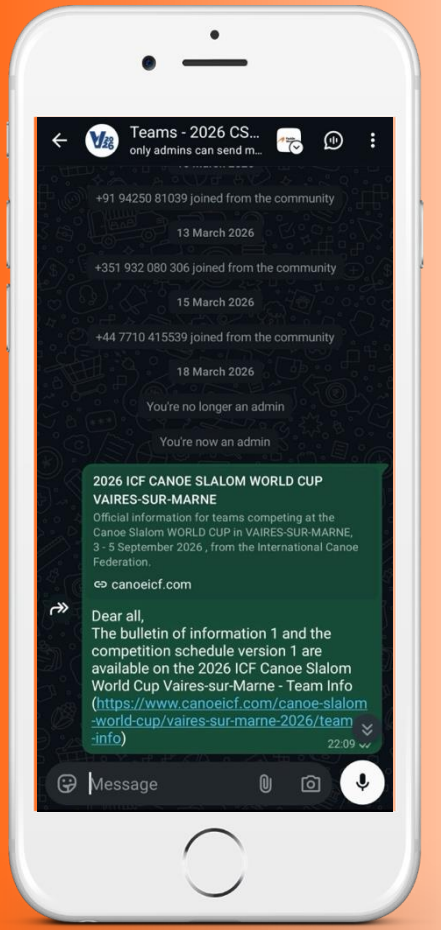
A **Competition Guide** is published on the Team Info tab of each Paddle Worldwide Event page at the nominal entries' deadline.

- Updates done before and straight after the Team Leader Meeting - if necessary.
- Generic topics/chapters (written in black).
- Specific topics/chapters (written in dark red).
- The Team Leader Meeting will address the specific topics only.
- Questions may be sent prior the Team Leader Meetings to Paddle Worldwide technical manager.

# APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

- Official communication channel
- Pre-race requirements
- Venue information
- Competition information
- Procedures
- Paddle Worldwide topics






# OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION CHANNEL

To receive all the official communication, please scan the QR code.



# PRE-RACE REQUIREMENTS

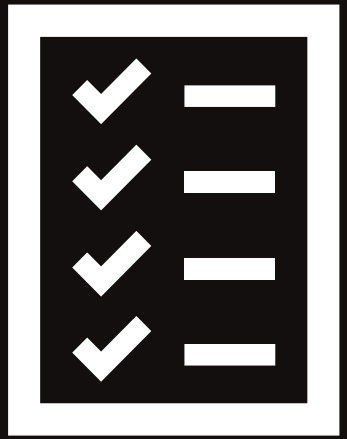
## Advertising on equipment

| Event | Type of sticker |
| --- | --- |
| All events | NOC sticker only |

## TVS Management

2026 Paddle Worldwide Canoe Slalom TVS Management

## Entry list check





# VENUE INFORMATION

| | |
|---|---|
| Name of the course | Stade Nautique Olympique de Vaires-sur-Marne |
| Competition course length | 300 m |
| Competition course drop | 4,5 m |
| Competition course flow | 13 m3/s |
| Water regulation on course | 3 pumps |

ACCREDITATION CENTER



# ACCREDITATION CENTER

Opening hours:

- Monday: 2pm to 5pm
- Tuesday: 9am to 5pm
- Wednesday: 9am to 5pm

The accreditation center is at the French Canoe Federation building at the entrance of the venue (wooden building).

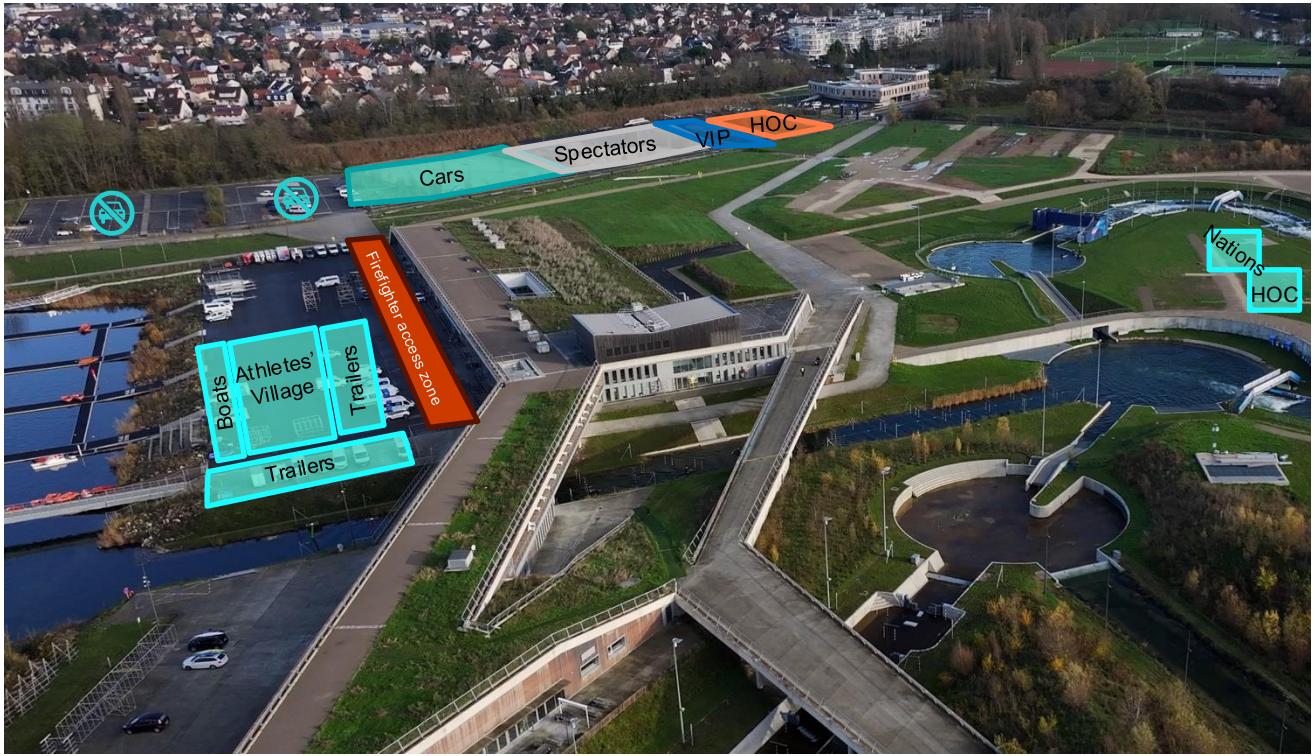


# ATHLETES VILLAGE

- Opening hours: 7:15 am to 8 pm

- Parking pass – teams need to park on the last part of the parking. You can pick up your parking pass when you pick up your accreditations.

# VENUE NOTES




For security, please remember:

- No extra tent on athletes' village.
- Trailers along village tents.

Be careful with the wind. When you leave, close your team tent. Make you sure that your boats are secure on the boat racks.

Please quit athletes' village tents on Saturday

Volunteers on athletes' zone and nations tent will be there to make your competition as good as possible.

Have a nice competition!



# EQUIPMENT CONTROL

**Location**: after the finish line on the right bank.

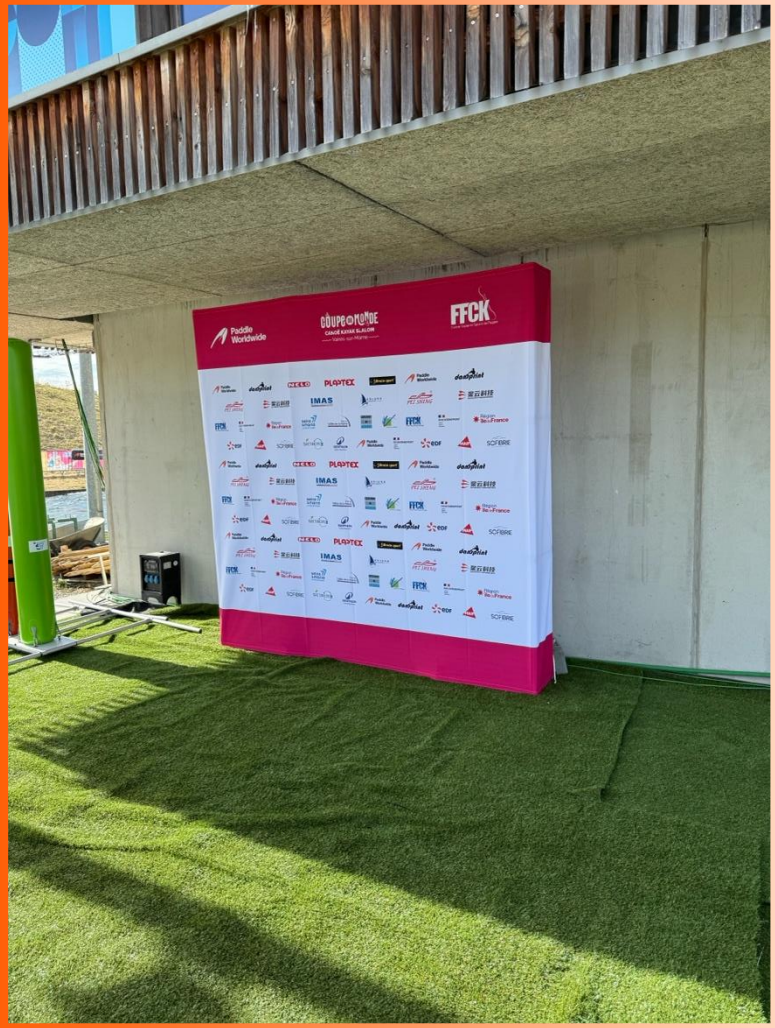
**Self-checking**:

- on Tuesday 01.09.2026, 14:00 – 18:30
- on Wednesday 02.09.2026, 08:30 – 18:30

**Timing on competition days**: open 1 hour before the 1st boat starts.

**Reminders**:

- CSL fins – if metal showing ensure no sharp edges.
- Extra weights – must be fixed in the boat.
- Canoe & Kayak events and Kayak Cross Individual: random post competition control.
- Kayak Cross Elimination: pre-competition checking in the pre-start area.




# KISS & CRY

**Location**: on the right bank, under the OVR.

**For Canoe and Kayak finals**:

- Provisional top 3
- In bib and competition gear

**For Kayak Cross Individual**:

- Provisional top 3 only for the last 10 minutes
- In competition gear with number bib (warm clothes accepted). Competition bibs will be redistributed if needed.

**For Kayak Cross Elimination**:

- Provisional Top 3
- In competition gear with colour bib



# MEDAL CEREMONIES

**Location**: on the island, in front of the giant screen.

**Schedule**: refer to the competition schedule

- For Canoe, Kayak, and Kayak Cross events: after each session of finals
- For Kayak Cross Individual: after the run of the event

**Gear**:

- For Canoe & Kayak events: in team uniform
- For Kayak Cross Individual & Kayak Cross Elimination: in competition gear with bib

**For Kayak Cross Individual**:

- No team leader involved
- No anthem and no flag



## ENQUIRY DESK

- **Location**: in front of the OVR



## TVS – EMERGENCY DOWNLOAD SOLUTION

- **Location**: in the Nation tent on the island

# ANTI-DOPING & DOPING CONTROL



DOPING
CONTROL AREA

- **Location**: in the building next to the athletes' village on the way to the island competition, ground floor.
- Athletes will be notified for doping control in the finish area.
- Reminder: **passport or ID is required**
- Thanks to those who competed the Anti-doping ADEL certificate.

# ACCESS TO THE BANK

- There will be a dedicated area for the judges & TV, TVS crew along the river right defined by the rope.
- No running allowed in this area. It is only accessible when you are doing course observation.
- Do not go behind the fences where the cameras are; they are here to protect the equipment and allow for good footage.
- During the rehearsal, please do not stand in a camera view.



# COMPETITION INFORMATION

1. Official training schedule
2. Competition schedule
3. Demonstration runs
4. Course distribution and approval
5. Bib distribution

# OFFICIAL TRAINING SCHEDULE

- Times and updates are available on the 2026 Canoe Slalom World Cup 4 Vaires-sur-Marne – Team Info page.
- Official training sessions run until Wednesday 2nd September.
- Additional Kayak Cross sessions on Friday 4th September, with one WX1 session and two MX1 sessions – see the schedule for details.
- Athletes competing exclusively in Kayak Cross are not permitted to participate in the Canoe Slalom training sessions. Likewise, Canoe Slalom athletes not competing in Kayak Cross cannot participate in Kayak Cross training sessions.

# COMPETITION SCHEDULE

- The course is closed following the end of official training (Wednesday 02.09.2026 at 19:45) until the end of the competition – except for the Kayak Cross sessions on Friday and Saturday.

- The competition schedule version 3 will be available on the 2026 Canoe Slalom World Cup 4 Vaires-sur-Marne – Team Info page and on spread on the WhatsApp group on Wednesday 02.09.2026 by 10:00am.

# DEMONSTRATION RUNS

## Thursday 03 September 2026

| CSL COURSE CONSTRUCTION | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **8:00:00** | 9:30:00 | CSL - Course construction | | | **1:30:00** |
| 9:30:00 | 10:15:00 | CSL - Course tuning | | | **0:45:00** |
| 10:15:00 | 10:20:00 | Course review with technical manager | | | **0:05:00** |
| 10:20:00 | 10:25:00 | Course approval | | | **0:05:00** |
| | | Interval | | | **0:10:00** |
| 10:35:00 | 10:51:00 | Full length demo run rehearsal | 8 | 0:02:00 | 0:16:00 |

# BIB DISTRIBUTION

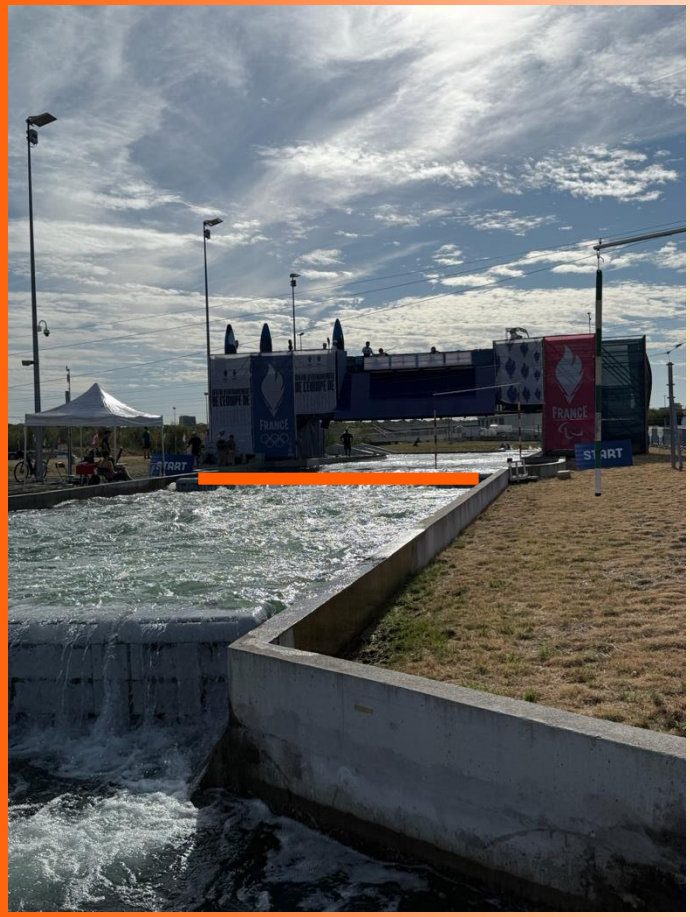



## Canoe Slalom competition bibs:

- Competition bibs: available at the **Sport Information Office** from **14:00 on Wednesday 02/09**.
- Deposit of 100€ - cash only.
- Must return training bibs to the Sport Information Office to get competition bibs.
- CSL competition bibs must be returned to the Sport Information Office following the race for the return of the deposit.

## Kayak Cross competition bibs:

- Kayak Cross Individual bibs will be available at the **Sport Information Office** from **14:00 on Wednesday 02/09**.
- Bibs will be collected at the end of the Kayak Cross Individual race and reused for Elimination phase.
- For Kayak Cross Elimination, the number and colour bibs will be distributed at the pre-start area.




# CANOE & KAYAK EVENTS

**Start procedure**:

- Athletes must start between the start blocks downstream of the Kayak Cross ramp.
- The beam line is 8m below.




# CANOE & KAYAK EVENTS

## Finish procedure:

- The finish beam is marked by a triangle "finish" sign and small pennants across the river.
- For Canoe & Kayak events, all athletes must exit on the right side at the bottom of the course to pass through equipment control, Kiss & Cry, and the mixed zone.

# CANOE & KAYAK EVENTS

**Vote**:

The Uganda athlete (WK1) would like to compete in a Kayak Cross boat.

The Chief Official and Chief Judge propose to let her compete in a Kayak Cross boat with a 3min start interval so it doesn't impact the next athlete.

Do you agree to let her compete in a Kayak Cross boat with the longer start interval?



The majority agreed.




# KAYAK CROSS EVENTS

## Pre-start procedure:

- River right, just before accessing the ramp.
- Athletes may warm up upstream of the start bridge in the pre-start pool.
- Never cross under the bridge or paddle downstream.
- During training, if athletes cross under the bridge, the use of the ramp in the training session will stop immediately.




# KAYAK CROSS EVENTS

## Start procedure:

### ➢ Kayak Cross Individual

- Athletes start from **lane 2 (second from river right).**
- The start interval is **60 seconds**; athletes should get in their boat directly on the start gate, volunteers will assist if needed.

### ➢ Kayak Cross Elimination

- Athletes should be **settled in the start position on the ramp 90 seconds before their start time**.
- Then listen to the sports presentation where they will be introduced to spectators.



# KAYAK CROSS EVENTS

## Start instructions:

- The athlete must start with both hands on the paddle;
- The front hand must be positioned across the centerline of the boat; **and**
- The front hand must be in contact with the boat or the spraydeck.
- Until the ramp starts to move, the paddle must remain behind the flap.
- The Athlete must not move between the instruction “Ready” and the beep indicating the ramp is moving.



# KAYAK CROSS EVENTS

**Finish procedure**:

- The finish line is located upstream of the Canoe Slalom finish line.
- For Kayak Cross, athletes must exit on the right side at the bottom of the course to pass through mixed zone.
- Kayak Cross Individual: during the last 10 minutes, the top three athletes must proceed to the Kiss and Cry area.
- Kayak Cross Elimination: the winner must proceed to the Kiss & Cry.
- The athletes can use the conveyor belt to go back to the pre-start area.




# KAYAK CROSS EVENTS

## Kayak Roll

The roll must be performed by going down on one side and coming up on the other.

During the roll, part of the **boat** must be underneath the barrier for at least one phase of the action.

## Dangerous Contact

In the case of dangerous contact, the judges will decide the penalty, and one or both boats may be penalized.

# KAYAK CROSS EVENTS





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## ITOs Kayak Cross briefing

Team Leaders are invited to attend the ITOs Kayak Cross briefing that will be held on **Friday 04.09.2026 at 15:50** in the ITO meeting room (across the bridge next to the warmup channel).

# HOC TOPICS

- Green spirit
- School kids
- Side events

# GREEN SPIRIT







The competition is planned with eco-friendly methods to protect nature, reduce waste, and save energy.

Please help us to respect the green spirit:

- Different garbage goes into different waste bins.
- Non-toxic water bottles.

# EVENT FOR FUTURE
















HOC volunteers will run some animations to discover canoeing for the kids. You can see these at the kids' family zone.

You can find some ideas to give kayak energy for kids under 12.

**10,000 school kids** will be here, screaming and supporting athletes from the world ! Remember to say a quick hello after the finish line.

**Enjoy the atmostphere!**

# SIDE EVENTS

## PROGRAMATION

### THURSDAY 3 SEPTEMBER

9h30 – 10h50 **Course tuning & demo run** *P1 Whitewater Course*

12h30 – 15h15 **Kayak heats** *P1 Whitewater Course*

16h30 – 18h **Kayak finals** *P1 Whitewater Course*

17h55 – 18h10 **Medals ceremony** *P1 Whitewater Course*

18h – 19h **Happy Hour at *La Source*** and Live Accoustic Session

19h – 22h **The Chef's Special at *La Source*** *Buvette*

### SATURDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

10h30 – 13h15 **Kayak Cross Individual** *P1 Whitewater Course*

12h – 14h **The Chef's Special at *La Source*** *Buvette*

13h – 13h04 **Medals ceremony** *P1 Whitewater Course*

14h – 16h30 **Kayak Cross heats and finals** *P1 Whitewater Course*

16h25 – 16h45 **Medals ceremony** *P1 Whitewater Course*

16h30 – 17h30 **Happy Hour at *La Source*** and Live Accoustic Session

19h – 22h **Firework** organized by the City of Vaires-sur-Marne

### FRIDAY 4 SEPTEMBER

9h – 11H15 **Canoe heats** *P1 Whitewater Course*

13h – 14h20 **Canoe finals** *P1 Whitewater Course*

14h30 – 14h45 **Medals ceremony** *P1 Whitewater Course*

16h – 18h **Kayak Cross trainings** *P1 Whitewater Course*

18h – 19h **Happy Hour at *La Source*** and Live Accoustic Session

18h30 – 20h **Corporate Challenge** *P1 Whitewater Course* registration

19h – 22h **Chef's Giant Paella at *La Source*** *Buvette* - reservation

from 21h **Afro-Latino Night** DJ Set by Collectif Cheesecake *Buvette*

### SUNDAY 6 SEPTEMBER

9h – 11h **Educational Cafés** *Maison des Sports de Pagaie* - registration

11h – 16h **Lake discovery hikes** *Lake* - registration - 8€

11h – 12h **Happy Hour at *La Source*** and Live Accoustic Session

12h – 14h **The Chef's Special at *La Source*** *Buvette*

14h30 – 16h30 **Raft Open Challenge and Podiums** *P1 Whitewater Course* registration - 102€ /teams - 20€ / individual

16h30 – 17h15 **Closing Show** La Rivière en mouvement *P1 Whitewater Course*

### THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE EVENT

KID'S ZONE - *mascot, autograph sessions, virtual reality kayaking, workshops, rowing machine challenges...*

VILLAGE TERRE DE PAGAIES - *canoe-kayak exhibitors, refreshment stand, stage, car show, local producers (Saturday and Sunday)*

VILLAGE SPORT PLANÈTE MAIF

# PADDLE WORLDWIDE TOPICS

- Short film project
- Injury & illness reporting form
- Prevention of Harassment and Abuse in Sport (PHAS)
- Athletes' survey
- Paddle Worldwilde’s Media Hub
- 2027 ICF ranking calendar

# SHORT FILM SHOOTING



Paddle Worldwide has approved the making of a short film during the competition.

During this World Cup, Yves Bourhis, the producer, and a small film crew will be taking footage of the paddling, the fans, judges, etc....

Image rights will be respected and individuals filmed will not be recognizable; they will appear as extras.

If you do not wish to be disturbed, please notify the producer.

For more information, please contact **Yves BOURHIS** at *yves.bourhis.29@gmail.com*

# INJURY AND ILLNESS REPORT

- Spread at all the Paddle Worldwide competitions and for all Paddle Worldwide disciplines
- Level 1 and 2 (also possible to use it at other levels)
- Available on Paddle Worldwide website: **Athlete Health and Wellbeing page**
- **Weblink to the form**



# PREVENTION OF HARASSMENT AND ABUSE IN SPORT (PHAS)

Please read the **Prevention of Harassment and Abuse in Sport (PHAS) Policy**.

The **report form** is available on Paddle Worldwide website and will be treated with impartiality and confidentiality.

For further information contact the Paddle Worldwide PHAS officer: Micheal T Okubo – michael.okubo@canoeicf.sport / +49 162 1926696

# ATHLETES' SURVEY

The Athletes Committee asks athletes to participate in a **brief survey** to help us build a stronger, more connected athlete community.

The results will guide the Committee's goals for the upcoming year. Let's make our sport the best it can be, together!

**Survey Incentive**: As a thank you, participating athletes who provide their email address will be entered into a prize draw to win a Blackroll recovery set.

*The form will not automatically collect details like name and email address unless the athlete provides it.



# PADDLE WORLDWIDE'S MEDIA HUB

Videos, highlights, photos, and interviews from each race day are in the Paddle Worldwide's Media Hub.

Please **tag and/or collaborate with @PlanetCanoe** when using media on social media.

Link for this competition:
https://planet.canoeicf.com/2026SlalomVairesSurMarneMediaHub



# 2027 PADDLE SLALOM RANKING CALENDAR

Applications are open through SDP until **1st of September 2026**. So, your NF has until tonight to submit a Paddle Slalom ranking race for 2027 calendar.

NFs can submit their competition directly on SDP.

Only 8 applications received.


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Thank you!
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