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**Bulletin 4 – Updated officials, ITO fee, Livestream, Anti-Doping,
Opening Ceremony & Scrutineering reminder
2026 Canoe Polo World Championships
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“The calm before the worlds”

Jury - updated

Jury chair	M	Europe	Paddle Worldwide / ESP	RABANEDA CASELLES	Lluis
Jury member	F	Europe	Paddle Worldwide / GER	PEFESTORFF	Dajana
Jury member	M	Europe	Paddle Worldwide / NED	HEIJSELAAR	Ruud

Paddle Worldwide Staff - updated

Head of Sport	M	Paddle Worldwide	BUGAR	David
Whitewater Disciplines Manager	F	Paddle Worldwide	BOCQUET	Manon
Broadcast Manager	M	Paddle Worldwide	SANKAR	Vimal
Editorial Coordinator	F	Paddle Worldwide	THORNHILL	Lily



Referee List – updated

Referee	M	America	USA	AMBROSETTI	Ezio
Referee	F	Europe	ITA	ANASTASI	Martina
Referee	M	Europe	GBR	ANDERSON	Brian
Referee	F	Europe	GBR	ANTHONY	Zoe
Referee	F	Europe	FRA	BRACKEZ	Virginie
Referee	M	Asia	TPE	CHEN	Yeh Kai
Referee	M	Europe	IRL	DOWNES	Sean
Referee	F	Asia	MAS	ENG	Ai Wen (Cristina)
Referee	F	Oceania	NZL	FEAR ROSS	Andi
Referee	M	Europe	ESP	FERNANDEZ CANALEJAS	Ivan
Referee	F	America	CAN	FOGED	Savannah
Referee	F	Asia	SGP	FONG	Cherol
Referee	M	Europe	GER	FREY	Johannes
Referee	M	Asia	SGP	KONG	Evan
Referee	M	Oceania	NZL	MITCHELL	James
Referee	F	Asia	IRI	MOLAEI	Fatemeh
Referee	M	Europe	DEN	MOLLER	Hans-Henrik G
Referee	F	Asia	SGP	ONG	Chad
Referee	M	Europe	ITA	PELLI	Maurizio
Referee	F	Europe	GER	PERGER	Carmen
Referee	F	Asia	CHN	SHEN	Qiong (Evonne)
Referee	M	Europe	DEN	SONDBERG	Asger
Referee	M	Europe	GBR	THOMAS	Mark
Referee	F	Oceania	NZL	WALTERS (SHERRATT)	Kelly
Referee	M	Europe	GBR	WATTS	Steve
Referee	M	Europe	NED	WIGHT	Ricardo
Referee	M	Europe	NED	WINTERS	Thom
Referee	M	Asia	TPE	WU	Sheng Hao



Commentator list

Commentators					
Role	M/F		Country	Surname	First Name
PWW - English speaking commentator	M	Europe	GBR*	BARKER	Curly
PWW - English speaking commentator	F	Europe	GBR*	BARKER	Lynn
PWW - English speaking commentator	F	Europe	GBR	GOUGH	Elmo
PWW - English speaking commentator	M	Europe	GBR	LUNGLEY	George
PWW - English speaking commentator	M	Europe	NZL	MASSAROTTO	Carl
PWW - English speaking commentator	M	Europe	GBR	MCBAY	David
PWW - English speaking commentator	M	Europe	FRA	MISCHLER	Jacques
PWW - English speaking commentator	F	Europe	GER	SCHWARZ	Pia
PWW - English speaking commentator	M	Europe	NED	VAN GIJN	Jorn
PWW - English speaking commentator	M	Europe	POL	WITASZEK	Szczepan

ITO fee

The 2026 ITO fee is now fixed at **390 Euro per team**.

In the near future your national federation will be invoiced (with copy sent to Team Leaders).

Payment of this fee is by the 9th September 2026.

Previous world championships comparison:

2024	China	507.00 €
2022	France	360.00 €
2018	Canada	495.00 €
2016	Italy	320.00 €
2014	France	350.00 €
2012	Poland	350.00 €



Livestream – How to watch Paddle Worldwide live events?

Paddle Worldwide YouTube channel members will have exclusive access to full live and video-on-demand coverage of all the major events.

From World Championships to World Cups, Paddle Worldwide's top competitions featuring the best paddlers on the planet will be broadcast uninterrupted on our live stream.

HOW DO I SIGN UP FOR LIVE COVERAGE?

Sign into YouTube, or create an account, and click JOIN to watch uninterrupted live coverage of the world's best paddlers competing for top honours.

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1. Sign in to YouTube, or create an account
2. Go to Planet Canoe's channel
3. Click 'JOIN' and fill out your payment details

After becoming a member, you will have access to the exclusive members tab and can watch members-only content.

Please note that membership subscriptions will be renewed every month, and you can cancel at any time. When you cancel, you will continue to have access until the renewal date but you will lose access after. You can renew your membership whenever you're ready to.

WHAT DO I GET AS A MEMBER?

Paddle Worldwide invests annually in the highest-quality broadcast production of our major events. For €9.99, or similar conversion in your currency, members will be able to see the biggest races on our calendar.

As well as being able to watch the action unfold on your screen, you will have the chance to chat live with other fans, use custom emojis and gain loyalty badges.

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Membership is on a month-by-month basis so there is no annual commitment, and members can cancel their subscription at any time. Members can consume as much live and exclusive content as they want, and access the other benefits as long as they are subscribed.

For the 2026 Canoe Polo World Championships the live streaming can be viewed at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVagCjubko2x50KpYhnLsCQ/join>



Medical and Anti-Doping

With reference to Bulletin 2 - Anti-doping education

- For those that have undergone the course before this is required to be "refreshed".
- For new athletes the course is to be taken in full so allow time.

<https://www.canoeicf.com/anti-doping-education>

Team Leaders are required to show up to date certificates for each athlete in their team/s at Scrutineering.

Opening Ceremony

As per the recent email from the HOC each nation with men and women's team are required to provide one male and one female athlete for the Opening Ceremony.

The ceremony duration will be 60-90 minutes in total.

Scrutineering and Official training schedule reminder

This is being progressed by the Chief Scrutineer and will be published on the official website closer to the date.

You have previously been sent a request for your date/arrival at the venue to try and create the most convenient schedule. If you haven't already completed this form, please do so to allow the Chief Scrutineer to complete his work.



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