

CANOE MARATHON WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

GYÖR | 4-7 SEPTEMBER 2025

BULLETIN NO 1.



**Dear Athletes,
Dear Supporters,**

When Győr first hosted the ICF Marathon World Championships in 1999, I was still a young child. Like most people in Győr, I could only imagine the Mosoni-Danube's Golden Beach section as a vibrant home for kayakers and canoeists tirelessly training and competing. For over 60 years, canoe sports have been an integral part of our beloved hometown.

The athletes and coaches of Győr's canoeing community have worked tirelessly to put our city on the global map. Among the long and impressive list of athletes, one name stands out: Ms. Renáta Csay, the most successful marathon kayaker of all time, with 20 world championships titles and 19 European championships victories. Renáta has always trained in Győr and now shares her expertise and knowledge with the younger generation as a coach.

We are honored to host the ICF Marathon World Championships for the fourth time - an achievement that sets a new record, as no other city in the world has hosted this event on four occasions. I would like to extend my gratitude to Mr. Róbert Weisz, head of the kayak-canoe division of the Győr Water Sports Association, and to the members of the Host Organising Committee for their dedication and hard work!

We are especially delighted that the International Canoe Federation has decided, for the first time in the sport's history, to introduce short lap events for the youth category and to showcase para canoe marathon events at this world championship.



The Municipality of the City of Győr is committed to ensuring that everyone feels at home during the training period and throughout the competition. We hope that athletes, their support teams, and visitors will take the opportunity to explore Győr's landmarks and attractions, of which we are very proud.

We, the people of Győr, are ready to once again showcase ourselves to the world.

Kind regards,



Bence Pintér
Mayor of Győr

**Dear Friends,
Dear Future Guests,**

It is a great honor and joy for me to announce that in 2025, after ten years, we will once again welcome the world's best marathon athletes to Győr!

As a local, I can confidently say that the city of Győr has a rich tradition in marathon events. This upcoming World Championships will be the fourth hosted on the Mosoni-Danube, setting a record, as no city - or even country - has ever had the privilege of hosting the most prestigious event in this discipline four times.

For many years, Győr has been the venue for our most prominent national event, the Hungarian Championships. Additionally, the most successful marathonist of all time, 20-time World Champion Renáta Csay, prepared here daily throughout her career - from her very first paddle stroke to her last.

The previous three World Championships in Győr were historically significant, each in its own way. In 1999, we organized perhaps the most atmospheric event of all time, with tens of thousands of spectators gathering along the riverbanks each day. In 2007, nature posed unprecedented challenges to the organizers, but even a flood could not stop us from successfully hosting the event. And in 2015, thanks to the innovative camera solutions used during the television broadcast, we elevated the visual appeal of the sport to a new level.

I am pleased to say that the upcoming World Championships will also feature several innovations. For the first time, short-lap races will be introduced in the junior age group, as per the decision of

the International Canoe Federation. Moreover, we will crown World Champions in para-canoe marathon events for the first time.

I firmly believe that the unique characteristics of Győr and the Mosoni-Danube, coupled with the experience of the Host Organising Committee, guarantee the success of this World Championships. Personally, I am eagerly looking forward to meeting everyone, but until then, I wish you all the very best and will say farewell in the way we locals in Győr greet each other: Be well and stay strong!

Best regards,



Róbert Weisz

Vice President of the Hungarian Canoe Federation
Chairman of the Host Organising Committee

ISTEN HOZOTT WELCOME!

On the following pages, we walk you through all the necessary information that may guide you and your team on the way to Győr. Apart from the general introduction of the city and the course, the most vital and useful bits of information on the competition, participation, visa issuance and accommodation options can also be found here.

The Hungarian Canoe Federation is hoping to see you at the ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships between 4th-7th September 2025 in Győr.

If you are looking for more information, do not hesitate to visit the official website of the competition:

www.gyor2025.com

Key information can also be accessed on the following website(s):

[ICF CANOE MARATHON WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS](#)

SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER

**The Host Organising
Committee**



THE HOST ORGANISING COMMITTEE

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Event Manager – VIDA, Gergely

Event Technology – SZTAICS, István

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LIST OF EVENTS

CANOE MARATHON		
AGE GROUP - GENDER	SHORT DISTANCE	LONG DISTANCE
JUNIOR-MEN	K1	K1 K2 C1 C2
JUNIOR-WOMEN	K1	K1 K2 C1
U23-MEN		K1 C1
U23-WOMEN		K1 C1
SENIOR-MEN	K1 C2	K1 K2 C1 C2
SENIOR-WOMEN	K1 C1	K1 K2 C1

PARACANOE MARATHON	
GENDER	CATEGORY
MEN	Open KL1 KL2 KL3 VL1 VL2 VL3
	Open KL1 KL2 KL3 VL1 VL2 VL3

PROGRAMME

31st August (Sunday)

Access period starts
Accreditation opens

**1st September
(Monday)**

Course opens for training
between Master's events
Masters competition DAY 1

2nd September (Tuesday)

Official training times between
Master's events
Masters competition DAY 2

7th September (Sunday)

Access period ends (in the evening)

4th - 7th September (Thursday - Sunday)

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competition days

3rd September (Wednesday)

Paracanoe classification
Official training times
Team Leaders' meeting
ITO's meeting
Opening Ceremony

The ICF Canoe Marathon Masters World Championships will be held on 1st-2nd September, 2025.
Further details will be announced in the Masters bulletin, which is expected to be published in February.



INFORMATION

COURSE

The course will traverse the Mosoni-Duna and Rába rivers as well as the city center of Győr, combining sections through natural landscapes with those in an urban setting.

The start, finish, and portage areas will all be located in the same vicinity. Competitors will start from a pontoon, with boat-holders assigned to assist each participant. A 100-meter portage will be situated along the riverbank near the finish line. Both ends of the portage will feature sandy beaches for disembarkation and embarkation, eliminating the need for pontoons. The portage area will be clearly

delineated with barriers and marked with red and yellow indicators at the disembarkation and embarkation points. The portage will be wide enough to accommodate at least four K2 boats simultaneously.

Electronic timing will be used, with participants carrying chips, and a photo-finish camera with video recording will be installed at the finish line. Details of the course will be presented in Bulletin No. 2.



ANTI-DOPING

For the ICF Marathon World Championships each athlete, coach and support personnel must pass the relevant anti-doping online course on the Anti-Doping Education Learning platform (ADEL) corresponding to their role. More information on the website:

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

ENTRIES IN THE ICF SDP SYSTEM

The Host Organising Committee requires you to use the online entry system (SDP) of the ICF to submit your numerical and nominal entries.

The system can be reached at: <https://icf.mev.atos.net/icf/main.jsp>

(In case you need help with the SDP, please contact the administrator directly at: sdp@canoeicf.sport)



BASIC SERVICES AND HOSPITALITY

HOTEL BOOKINGS AND TEAM REGISTRATION IN THE HMS

Kindly note that hotel reservations and team registrations (without a hotel reservation) have to be submitted via the HMS (Hospitality Management System) at <https://hms.digicorp.hu/login>

Please, be informed that **registering your team in the online system (arrival & departure dates, no. of persons) is a must even if you are planning to book your accommodation independently from the Host Organising Committee.**

IMPORTANT

The Host Organising Committee accepts hotel reservations and team registrations exclusively from National Federations, not from individuals or local canoe clubs. It is the responsibility of each National Federation to gather data from all participants and submit it in the HMS under their respective NF account and flag.

Prior to logging in for the first time, please, send an email to booking@gyor2025.com even if you have used the system earlier, since we need to add the new event to your profile.

Please, note that **email modification requests cannot be accepted and will not be considered: all changes should be indicated exclusively – before and after the deadlines – in the online system.**

Please, remember that no booking or modification request can be considered as confirmed until you get a notification on it from the HOC.



TEAM INFORMATION FORM

In preparation for the upcoming ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships, we are gathering essential information to ensure that all participating teams receive the necessary support and services.

We kindly ask you to complete the following [Google Form](#) with your team's basic information, including the contact details of the onsite team leader, any food allergies, the number of boats delivered and any other relevant details.

This information is vital for the Host Organising Committee to make the necessary arrangements and ensure a smooth and inclusive event for all participants.

Please submit your responses by 1st August at the latest to allow us sufficient time for planning and coordination.

KEY DEADLINES FOR SUBMITTING YOUR ENTRIES AND FORMS

1st June, 2025

Hotel Reservation (HMS)

21st July, 2025

Numerical Entry (SDP)

1st August, 2025

Team Registration without Hotel Booking (HMS)
Airport Transfer Reservation (HMS)
Team Information Form

15th August, 2025

Rooming List (HMS)

21st August, 2025

Payment deadline of 100 % accommodation or participation fees and lunch order

25th August, 2025

Nominal Entry (SDP)

ACCOMMODATION PACKAGES

The HOC offers accommodations for national teams in two categories based on location and quality:

CITY COMFORT PACKAGE (CATEGORY 1): the City Comfort Package includes hotels located in the vibrant heart of the city. While these hotels provide a higher quality experience, the event venue is only accessible via the shuttle bus service.

VENUE STAY PACKAGE (CATEGORY 2): the Venue Stay Package offers accommodations in the dormitories of Széchenyi István University, conveniently located within walking distance of the competition venue. While the facility includes a laundry, the rooms do not have air conditioning units.

Each accommodation package includes three meals per day: breakfast and dinner served at the designated hotel and lunch provided at the Széchenyi István University. The accommodation package fee is required to be paid on a daily basis throughout your team's stay during the access period, which starts on Sunday, 31st August and ends on Sunday, 7th September, when the accompanying services are provided.

For reservations outside of this timeframe, please refer to the section on training camps or inquire with the HOC for individual pricing.

HOTELS



City Comfort Package

- single occupancy¹ 160 EUR/person/day (both standard and limited no. of accessible rooms are available)
- double occupancy² (twin/double room) 135 EUR/person/day (both standard and limited no. of accessible rooms are available)

Venue Stay Package (Széchenyi István University Dormitories)

- single occupancy¹ 115 EUR/person/day
- double occupancy² (twin/double room) 110 EUR/person/day
- triple occupancy³ 90 EUR/person/day
- quadruple occupancy⁴ 80 EUR/person/day

Please note that reservations for **triple and quadruple occupancy will be accommodated in 2-space dormitories, which share a common bathroom.**

The Venue Stay Package includes one set of towels, with no replacements provided throughout the stay.

Accommodations for wheelchair athletes are offered solely through the City Comfort Package, which includes options for single or double occupancy. Before making a reservation for your paracanoe team, please contact our Hospitality Department to confirm availability.



¹ one person in the room, the type of bed can be either a single or a double bed

² two persons sharing the same room. Please, choose a twin room in case you need two single beds or a double room in case the 2 persons would share a double bed

³ three persons sharing the same room

⁴ four persons sharing the same room

Please keep in mind that due to the limited availability of hotel rooms in various categories, reservations will be accepted on a 'first-come, first-served' basis. This means your team may be redirected to a different category than initially requested unless there is sufficient space available in the required category.

Check-in is from 15:00 and rooms must be vacated by 10:00 on the morning of departure. Upon request, the hotels will provide storage rooms for an additional fee, which should be paid directly to the property.

Disclaimer: the HOC does not take responsibility for any extra services provided by the hotel, such as minibar, telephone, parking, etc. These costs are to be paid directly at the front desk.

DORMITORIES



PARTICIPATION FEE

In case your accommodation has been booked independently and not through the Host Organising Committee, you are required to pay a participation fee of 30 EUR / person / day from the day of your arrival. This fee includes basic services, but does NOT include lunch, shuttle bus service and parking.

Disclaimer: please remember that the HOC cannot be held responsible for the quality and price of individually reserved accommodations, hence we suggest arranging your hotel booking directly with us.

LUNCH

National teams with individual hotel reservations can add lunch at the Széchenyi István University for 15 EUR / meal / person. Please note that orders are accepted until 21st August and purchases are subject to a 100% cancellation fee after this deadline. Eligibility will be verified by scanning the barcode on the accreditation badge upon entering the catering area, so on-site purchases will not be available. If you would like to order lunch for your team, please contact us directly at booking@gyor2025.com to inquire about the Lunch Order Form.

Kindly note that the participation fee and the accommodation packages do not include transportation between any airports or railway stations and the hotel.

BASIC SERVICES COVERED BY THE ACCOMMODATION PACKAGE OR PARTICIPATION FEE

	Accommodation package	Participation fee
Non-competition days		
Accreditation and info desk	✓	✓
Three meals per day	✓	✗
Boat storage facilities	✓	✓
Boat measurements and control facilities	✓	✓
Shuttle bus service to and from hotels included in the City Comfort Package	✓	✗
Access to and operational costs of the venue	✓	✓
Medical care at the venue	✓	✓
Security service at the venue	✓	✓
Fully comprehensive insurance for the event	✓	✓
Access pass and parking for one trailer and one accredited vehicle (up to 3,5t) / team	✓	✗
Drinking water during the access period	✓	✓
Competition days (all of the above services are included with the following additional services)		
Doping control	✓	✓
Live streaming of the races	✓	✓
Timing and results system	✓	✓
Boat number distribution	✓	✓
Results and information announcements	✓	✓
EXPO village	✓	✓
Athletes Lounge	✓	✓

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**RECOMMENDED
AIRPORTS**



AIRPORT TRANSFER

For teams larger than 3 persons arriving together at the same time, we offer transportation between **the Vienna International Airport in Schwechat (Austria) / the Bratislava Airport (Slovakia) and Győr for 34 EUR / person/ one-way**, and also between **the Liszt Ferenc International Airport in Budapest (Hungary) and Győr for 49 EUR / person/ one-way**. Individuals and teams of 3 or fewer requiring transfer should contact the HOC for an individual price.

Please note that if the airport transfer reservation form is not submitted to the HOC by the deadline (1st August, 2025), or if your exact departure date and time are not known by the time of accreditation, the transfer fee will increase to **45 EUR / person /one-way**.

Due to the distance and available traffic options, **we kindly suggest that you consider arriving at either Vienna International Airport or Bratislava Airport instead of Budapest Liszt Ferenc International Airport.**

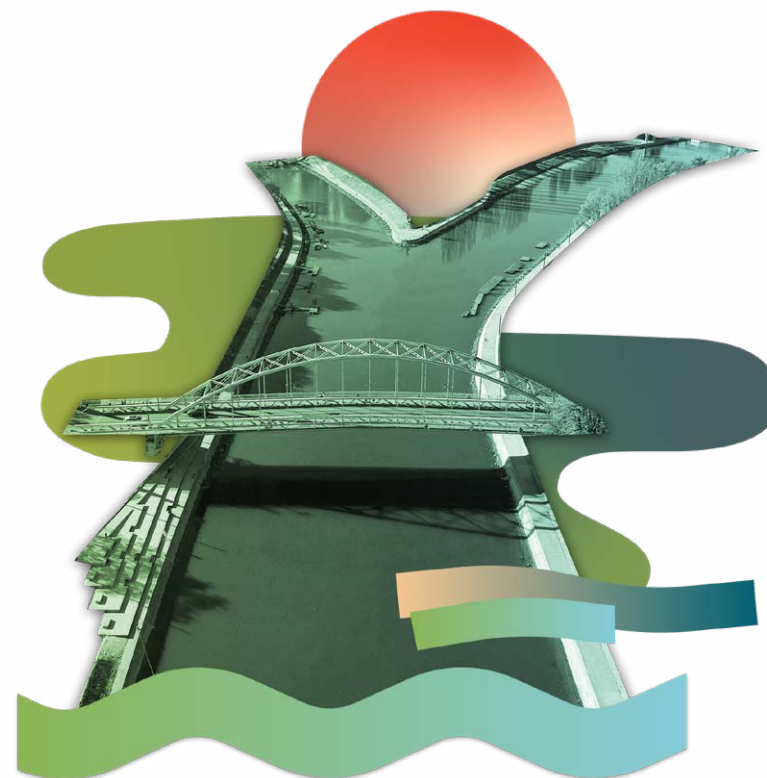
PARKING

National Teams making hotel reservations through the HOC will **receive one parking pass for one trailer and one accredited vehicle (up to 3.5 tons)**. The sticker is valid for a maximum vehicle size of a 9-seater minibus, allowing parking behind the Athletes' Area.

For teams making individual hotel reservations or those wishing to add additional parking passes, **extra stickers are available for 50 EUR / car / entire event.**

VISA

Participants are encouraged to reach out to the Hungarian Embassy or consulate in their country or the nearest one, well in advance to inquire about visa requirements. The process of obtaining a visa for Hungary can vary depending on the region, so it is advisable to allow for a 45-day processing period to secure the visa in time.



THE TYPICAL STEPS FOR OBTAINING A VISA ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Booking accommodation via the HOC or sending the confirmation of your hotel booking to the HOC (if booked individually) - please note, the HOC cannot take responsibility for rejection of visa issuance
2. Sending the filled-in visa application form to the HOC (booking@gyor2025.com)
3. The HOC issues the Letter of Invitation
4. Contacting the Hungarian Embassy / Consulate serving in your country / territory and do the paperwork they request from you
5. Visa issuance

Please be informed that the HOC will not issue an invitation letter without knowing your team's arrival and departure dates, accommodation details, the number of participants and their identities. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Hungary and the respective embassy or consulate require the same information from us, therefore, we cannot support your request without your cooperation in providing this information.





PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION TERMS

The accommodation package and participation fees are to be paid as follows:

As outlined above, the hotel reservation deadline is 1st June, 2025.

Once the HOC confirms your booking, 60% of the total amount will be invoiced with an 8-day payment term, while the remaining 40% is due by 21st August. Please note that the booking will remain provisional until the payment of the invoice has been received in our bank account.

The Host Organising Committee reserves the right to alter or cancel the reservation until that time. Upon receipt of payment, the reservation will be confirmed. An updated proforma invoice will be sent verifying the arrival of your payment in our bank account.

The participation fee (for those who booked their accommodation independently and not through the HOC) will be invoiced based on the information you submit about your team's stay in the HMS Accreditation Only module. Please ensure that you provide the appropriate data on time so we can arrange lunch, designate a boat storage area, and display a flag for your team. Please remember that, starting this year, the participation fee does not include lunch, so be sure to add lunch separately upon request. The lunch order will be invoiced with an 8-day payment deadline, which comes with a 100% payment obligation in case it's cancelled after 21st August.

Also, all accommodation and / or participation fees must be paid in full by 21st August, 2025.

Please also ensure you meet the deadline for submitting the nominal entry in the ICF's SDP system.

BANKING DETAILS

Please ensure you verify the banking details on the pro forma invoice and transfer the appropriate balance to the bank account listed below.

The Hungarian Canoe Federation does not intend to change its banking details or request funds to any other account. If you receive a pro forma invoice instructing payment to a different account, please report it immediately so we can take the necessary legal actions.

Name of the bank: Granit Bank Zrt.

Address of the bank: 8. Lechner Ödön fasor, Budapest, Hungary, 1095

Bank account no: 12100011-10208890-00000000

BIC CODE: GNBAHUHB

IBAN: HU65 12100011 10208890 00000000

Beneficiary: Magyar Kajak-Kenu Szövetség, H-1138 Budapest, Latorca utca 2., Hungary

The currency of the account is Euro, so please ensure that your payment is made in Euros. Additionally, please remember to account for the transaction fees. It is your responsibility to cover these fees when transferring money to our bank account.

ACCEPTED METHODS OF PAYMENT ON-SITE IN THE ACCREDITATION CENTRE

In addition to cash (only Euros are accepted), we also accept Visa and MasterCard credit / debit cards.

CANCELLATION TERMS

Should you cancel or modify your hotel booking, a charge will be made equivalent to any loss suffered by the Host Organising Committee, as itemised below. The amount of the cancellation fee will be calculated as a percent of the accommodation package fee according to the following period of notice given:

- No cancellation fee, if cancelled until 1st June, 2025
- 50% cancellation fee, if cancelled between 2nd June - 1st July, 2025
- 100% cancellation fee / non-refundable, if cancelled after 2nd July, 2025

Please, note that in case you submit your room reservation after the reservation deadline (1st June, 2025) and we are able to confirm your request, the relevant cancellation terms will come into effect immediately from the moment of your reservation.



FURTHER INSIGHTS

BOAT TRANSPORTATION

Please contact Your Chamber of Commerce or Customs Office to obtain the accurate information regarding the documents necessary for boat transportation.

BOAT RENTAL

The Host Organising Committee does not offer boat rentals for this event. Should you require a boat rental, we kindly advise that you contact boat manufacturers directly.

INSURANCE

All official participants of the World Championships are strongly advised to take out a medical insurance policy in their respective countries.

MEDICAL CARE

All official participants of the World Championships have access to the following medical services: an on-duty doctor, hospital and clinic support. A medical centre with ambulance and first aid will be available at the venue. Any costs beyond basic first aid, ambulance and physiotherapy services must be covered by the athletes' own medical insurance. The Host Organising Committee will not cover expenses related to hospital, dental or any other medical treatments.



TRAINING CAMPS IN HUNGARY

With its nice calm waters and well-known heritage in the paddling sports, Hungary is a popular destination for training camps in 2025. Due to the typically high demand, it is advisable to organize your training camps and reach out to the Hungarian Canoe Federation at booking@gyor2025.com well ahead of time. This will allow us to create a personalized package for you, including transportation and motorboat services.

CITY OF GYŐR

One of the most populated and richest cities in terms of monuments lies in the middle of the road between Vienna and Budapest, in the estuary of the rivers Moson-Danube, Rába and Rábca. This is a dynamically developing city and a significant economic, cultural, educational and sports centre.

There are several visitors who fall in love with Győr at the first sight. And there are people, who spend some time here and realize that Győr can only be loved. Beautiful baroque style buildings of the downtown, river banks inviting you to have a walk there, cosy terraces of restaurants and the colourful cultural life are ingredients of an unforgettable stay in Győr. Visitors wanting to relax are invited to enjoy the 67 degree C thermal water with its healing effect. Through its superior services, the multifaceted Spa and Water Park offers great possibilities for active recreation, healing and relaxation.



Water-lovers can have a wonderful time taking a ride on rafts, going for a stroll on the Radó Island or cheering on the 'Golden Beach' for the kayak-canoeists, rowers or dragon boats who are competing. Lovers of ballgames are promised to have a good time watching matches of the green-whites; the AUDI ETO KC female handball team of Győr won the Champions League for the second time; and the football, the female basketball and the futsal players also have matches every weekend.

To sum up, Győr is a real multicolour city with a unique sports life, so opportunities for entertainment are guaranteed for everyone!



GENERAL INFORMATION ON HUNGARY

Population: 10.2 million

Area: 93.036 km²

Capital: Budapest (Territory: 525 km²)

Time zone: GMT +1 hour

Official language: Hungarian

State form: republic

Hungary is a landlocked country in Central Europe surrounded by Slovakia, Ukraine, Romania, Serbia, Croatia, Slovenia and Austria. The Danube River forms part of Hungary's north-western border with Slovakia, and then flows south through Budapest, dividing Hungary into two general regions. A low, rolling plain known as the Great Hungarian Plain, covers most of the region east of the Danube extending east to Romania and south to Serbia. Hungary has a continental climate with cold, cloudy, humid winters and warm to hot summers.





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