

# 2025 ICF Canoe Slalom World Cup Pau, France

## Team Leader Guide

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## 1. Introduction

The ICF is delighted to welcome you for this 2025 Canoe Slalom World Cup season.

In this Team Leader Guide, you will be able to find generic information that apply for the whole season. In addition, as soon as the World Cup organizer and ICF have settled all the details regarding this specific competition, an updated Team Leader Guide will be sent with all the generic and specific information.

If you have any questions, ICF topics or specific to the event, please contact the person in charge, referred in the following tab:

Role	Name	Contact details
CSL Committee Chair	Richard Fox	richard.fox@canoeicf.sport
CSL Committee members Event managers	Sue Natoli	sue.natoli@canoeicf.sport
	Alena Maskova	alena.maskova@canoeicf.sport
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HOC Competition Manager	Sylvain Puy	sylvain.puy@paucanoe.com

## 2. Competition officials

Role	Name
Jury Chair	<b>Pascal BONNETAIN (FRA)</b>
Jury Member	<b>Anne-Lise BARDET (FRA)</b>
Jury Member	<b>Julien BILLAUT (AUS)</b>
Competition Manager	<b>Sylvain PUY (HOC)</b>
Chief Official	<b>Richard FOX (ICF)</b>
Chief Judge	<b>Rosanda KLEMEN (ICF)</b>
Technical Organiser	<b>Vincent REDON (HOC)</b>
Course designer nominated by the ICF	<b>Fiona PENNIE (ICF)</b>
Course designer nominated by the ICF	<b>Victor LAMY (HOC)</b>

## 3. Canoe Slalom Rules and Rules Appendices

This competition will be run under the [ICF Canoe Slalom Rules](#) and [Appendices](#) and according to the specific information listed in this Team Leader Guide.

Any decision which could be voted during the Team Leader Meeting will be updated in the Team Leader Guide before the start of the competition.

## 4. Official communication channels

### a. ICF Canoe Slalom events communication channels

Whatsapp group: [official link](#)



### b. **!!** 2025 ICF Canoe Slalom World Cup Pau, France official communication channel



## 5. Pre-race requirements (checklist)

### a. Anti-doping education program

All athletes, coaches, and support personnel must have completed the relevant anti-doping online course on the WADA Anti-Doping Education Learning platform (ADEL) corresponding to their role. The certificates showing completion should be sent by each National Federation to [sue.natoli@canoeicf.sport](mailto:sue.natoli@canoeicf.sport). Previous certificates are still valid for this season. There is no need to repeat the program unless the person's role changes (e.g. athlete becoming coach).

Accreditations will not be issued until the certificates are marked off.

More information on [ICF website](#)

[Link](#) to access ADEL program

### b. Entry list checking

Once the team leader arrives on the competition site, they must go to the accreditation office to check:

- the entry list per nation and notify any modifications
- the national anthem
- the national flag

### **c. Official training sessions requests**

If any NF has a specific request concerning the official training sessions for a competition, these ones must be sent by email to the technical managers: [Thomas Rosset](#) and [Manon Bocquet](#) before the nominal entries' deadline (10 days minimum prior to the event). No requests will be considered after that deadline.

The ICF team will try to answer at their best to those requests when building the official training schedule. Do not consider that a request sent is officially stated.

### **d. Guidelines for advertising on equipment**

For canoe slalom boats, ICF Nation and athlete's name stickers are mandatory. Further information can be found in the [ICF guidelines for advertising trademark identification on equipment](#) document.

For Kayak Cross boats, only the Nation Sticker will be required. It has to be placed freely in a suitable place in front of the cockpit. The actual location may vary depending on the model of the boat. The Nation sticker is the same dimensions as for the Canoe Slalom boats.

### **e. Athlete's headshot**

The ICF TV will shoot a video (8s without sound) of athletes for sport presentation. Athletes, who have not yet had a video taken, (they have been advised of this directly) should attend this short shooting session (maximum 2 minutes) in dry competition gear. Any other athletes are welcome to update their video if they wish when the studio is open and not too busy.

For the first event of the season, a specific planning will be shared and organized over the official training schedule.

### **f. Technical Video Service**

A TVS feed download solution will be available for all events and demonstration runs.

#### **a. Wired solution**

At the beginning of the event, to access the TVS feed, each team must attend a "testing" meeting in the athlete village on **Friday June 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 in the NF area** and register on the [2025 ICF Canoe Slalom TVS Management](#) form.

Teams who do not attend this meeting will not have access to the TVS feed.

The purpose of this meeting is to make sure that the system will work under full load and to troubleshoot any issues teams have. **Loïs SARRAZIN and Thomas ROSSET** will be available at this time to assist the teams.

- Each NF will have access to the wired solution in their tent

- To connect correctly please follow the [TVS step by step documentation](#)

b. Cloud solution

During the season a cloud solution will be implemented. Once validated and fully operational, the TVS fees will be accessible for all the NF remotely.

For any question or assistance regarding TVS, please contact: [tvsl@canoeicf.com](mailto:tvsl@canoeicf.com).

## 6. Venue information

### a. !! Course information

Name of the course	<b>Whitewater stadium</b>
Competition course length	<b>280 meters</b>
Competition course drop	<b>5 meters</b>
Competition course flow	<b>12 m3</b>
Water regulation on course	<b>Hydraulic valve</b>

### b. !! Venue layout

A venue map is attached in Appendix 1.

### c. !! NF areas

A venue map is attached in Appendix 1.

Opening hours:

Monday 9 June	7h30-18h30
Tuesday 10 June	7h30-18h30
Wednesday 11 June	7h30-20h
Thursday 12 June	7h30-20h
Friday 13 June	7h30-19h30
Saturday 14 June	8h30-20h
Sunday 15 June	7h30-18h

Parking: Open 24h

Tents' allocation: 30 tents are planned, some of them will be shared.

A map will be provided **Sunday, June 8th**.

Power distribution:

- Please make sure that your electrical equipment is reliable and do not create any shortcuts or overload on the main NF area network during the competition.

## Wireless routers

Wireless routers may be used if they are NOT within the following frequency:

- 5785 GHz, band width +/- 20 MHz
- 5825 GHz, band width +/- 20 MHz.
- At no time should any wireless router system be connected to the computer which is connected to the TVS LAN cable
- All devices, including any wireless routers, must be named with National Federation code and device number e.g. AUS1, AUS2, AUS3 – unnamed devices will be removed from the system.
- Any team found to be using a device affecting the competition will have power removed to their compete system.

### **d. !! Green box studio**

- Location: **Tony Estanguet Room**
  - Timing: **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday**
- A schedule will be shared by the ICF by **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> of June**

### **e. !! Equipment control**

- Equipment Control is located **next to the finish line on the river right.**
- Self-checking is open: **Wednesday 11th June from 9am to 6.30pm and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June from 8am to 7.30 pm.**
- Equipment control will be open **each competition day 1h before the 1st boat starts.**
- In Canoe and Kayak event and in Kayak Cross Individual: **post competition control and random checking** will be operated.
- In Kayak Cross, during elimination phases: **all the athletes** will pass through a **pre-competition control in the pre-start area.**

### **f. !! Doping control**

- Location: **ground floor of the main building.**
- Athletes will be notified for Doping Control in the **finish area.**
- **Passports or ID** are required for Athletes selected for doping control.

### **g. !! Enquiry/Protest desk**

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

### **h. !! Medal ceremonies**

- Location: see map in Appendix 1.
- Schedule: see competition schedule, **after each session of final.**
- Uniform drop out: **tent 3x3m near the Team Leader tent**
- Athletes involved in the Finals for Canoe and Kayak events should bring their national uniform to the **medal ceremony preparation area near the team leader lounge.** There will be boxes there to place the uniform in. There is only a short time between the end of the competition and the medal ceremonies. **Medallists should get change in the dedicated tent located close to the team leader lounge.**
- Athletes involved in the Finals of Kayak Cross Individual and Kayak Cross events will wear their **competition gear** on the podium.

## 7. Competition information

All the information concerning the competition are available and updated online on the dedicated ICF event Team Info webpage: [2025 CSL Wcup Pau](#)

### a. !! Official training schedule

- Canoe slalom and kayak cross training session starts on **Monday till Thursday**.
- Kayak Cross training session will be organized on **Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday**.
- Exact timings and updates are available on the [online official training schedule](#).

### b. !! Competition schedule

- The course is closed following the **end of official training (Thursday 12.06.2025 – 19:30) until the end of the competition**.
- The competition schedule version 3 will be posted on the dedicated ICF event Team Info webpage on **Thursday, 12th of June by 10:00** and spread on the WhatsApp Group.

### c. Demonstration runs

#### i. !! Demonstrators / Forerunners

The list of forerunners is available in Appendix 2.

#### ii. !! Canoe and Kayak course

Start	Finish	Friday 13 June	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
<b>08:00:00</b>	08:15:00	Water on / water level stabilized			<b>00:15:00</b>
<b>CSL COURSE CONSTRUCTION</b>					
08:00:00	10:45:00	CSL - Course construction			<b>02:45:00</b>
10:45:00	10:50:00	Course review with technical manager			<b>00:05:00</b>
10:50:00	10:55:00	Course approval			<b>00:05:00</b>
		Interval			00:10:00
<b>11:05:00</b>	<b>11:21:00</b>	Full length demo run rehearsal	8	00:02:00	00:16:00
		Interval			02:09:00

### d. Course map distribution

The Kayak Cross course map will be available on **Monday 09.06.2025** on the dedicated ICF event Team Info webpage.

The canoe slalom course map will be posted on **Thursday 12.06.2025 at 19:30** and spread on the WhatsApp Group.

### e. Course approval

#### i. Generic rules

The ICF wants to remind you that the course designers are:

- Selected from a pool of people skilled enough and proposed by the NF,
- Are ITOs, which means independent from any NF during the competition.

Any pressure or kind of harassment towards the course designers, as for any ITOs, may lead to sanctions.

## ii. **!! 2025 ICF Canoe Slalom World Cup Pau, France course approval information**

National federations feedback about the course designs can be reported to the ICF Technical manager, to be integrated into the Course Approval process.

ICF technical manager in charge: **Manon Bocquet**

Feedback will be accepted from **only one representant per federation** at the following times:

**on Friday from 10:45 to 10:50 at the middle bridge, right bank**

## f. **Bib distribution**

The full list of the bibs per event is available at Appendix 3.

- Training bibs will be available **at the team leader lounge from 7:30am to 6pm Monday 09.06.2025**. Training bibs shall be worn during **all the official training CSL and CSLX sessions**.
- CSL Competition bibs will be available **at the Team Leader lounge from on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> of June after the last training session (accreditation fee must be fully paid)**. All training bibs need to be given back at the same time.
- The accreditation fee must be fully paid to receive competition bibs.
- A bib deposit of 50 Euros is required on collection of the bibs. **Cash only**.
- **CSL Competition bibs must be returned to the team leader lounge following the competition. The deposit for the CSL competition bibs will be used for the CSLX competition bibs deposit.**
- For Kayak Cross Individual, bibs will be picked up **at the team leader lounge from 10am on Saturday**. They will have to returned **at the team leader lounge from 11am on Sunday**.
- For Elimination phases the **numbered bibs (1-32) will be distributed individually at the team leader lounge** and the **coloured bibs will be distributed individually at the start area**.

## 8. **Canoe & Kayak events**

### a. **!! Pre-start procedure**

There will be a **clock in the start pool showing the competition time and the next athletes to start**.

## b. !! Start

### i. Generic rules

- At all times, the athletes must follow the Starter's instruction, or they may be disqualified for the run.
- At the start, there will be a countdown clock showing the time to start.
- There will be an acoustic signal (10 seconds before start, and then from 5 seconds before start - 4 shorts, 1 long - start).
- Athletes may start 5 seconds either side of their official start time which is signified by the long beep on the start clock.



### ii. !! Specific rules



- The starting boat must be **alongside the pontoon in front of the partners' panel, facing downstream.**
- The beam line is **on the dropping line.**
- Athletes may **move to the start position once the previous athlete has broken the beam but must be at the start position 15 seconds before their start.**

## c. Finish

### i. Generic rules

- During the finals, the leading, the second and third athlete must proceed to the "Kiss and Cry" area located after equipment control where TV will interview them.
- Athletes must not leave the finish zone until dismissed by the Equipment Control Official once they are no longer needed for the ceremonies, anti-doping or equipment control.
- They then proceed via the mixed zone back to the Athlete area.
- Athletes should wear their competition bib in the mixed zone for identification purposes.

**ii. !! Specific rules**



- The finish beam is marked with two "Finish" banners on the bank.
- All Athletes must exit via the pontoon located at the bottom of the conveyor belt to pass through equipment control, Kiss and Cry and the mixed zone.

## 9. Kayak Cross events

### a. Pre-start procedure

#### i. Generic rules

- Athletes need to be at the pre-start area prior to their start to prepare their boats (and equipment control during the Elimination phase), and receive any final instructions (coloured bibs distribution, choosing their start lane).
- Volunteers will be there to help your Athlete if needed on the ramp.

**ii. !! Specific rules**

Access to start ramp will be from the right, on the island.

### b. Start procedure

#### i. Generic rules

- An automatic start machine will be used for all phases.
- At all times the athletes should follow the starters instructions.
- The start time for Kayak Cross Individual will be triggered by the mechanic system and not by photocell (to be confirmed at the Team Leader meeting).
- At the start, a Pre-Start Official will inform your Athlete if they have progressed.

- The start position is with both hands on the paddle and along the side of the kayak. The paddle must be parallel to the plane of the platform. The front hand has to be placed over middle of the boat on one side and touching the boat or the spraydeck.



- The start orders will be the following ones:
  - 1) "In position" => the athletes must place their paddle in the start position
  - 2) "Ready" => the athletes wait in steady position; no movement is allowed following the "Ready" command
  - 3) The platform will tilt to indicate the start. The starter will not say "Go".

#### ➤ **Elimination phases**

- Athletes should be settled in the start position on the ramp 90 seconds before their start time. There will be volunteers to assist them if needed.
- They should then listen to the sports presentation where they will be introduced to spectators.

### ii. **!! Specific rules**

#### ➤ **!! Kayak Cross Individual**

- Athletes must start from **lane 3** on the platform for the Kayak Cross Individual (**third lane from river right**)
- The start interval is **60 seconds**; **athletes should get in their boat behind the platform**. They will then be assisted to move to the **starting lane**.

## c. Finish

### i. Generic rules

- The finish time for Kayak Cross Individual will be triggered by photocell.
- During the Elimination phase a photo finish system will be deployed.

- During the Kayak Cross Individual, the leading, the second and third athlete must be present into the “Kiss and Cry” area located after equipment control for the last 10 athletes (= the last 10 minutes of the event) where TV will interview them.

## ii. Specific rules

- The Finish line will be 50 meters upstream from CSL finish line and is indicated on the course map.

## d. Rules reminder

### o Kayak Roll

To be correctly performed in Kayak Cross competition, a kayak roll must meet the following criteria:

- the roll needs to complete 360 degrees
- at some point under the barrier the boat needs to be rolled 180 degrees

## 10. ICF topics

### a. Athletes’ commission

Athletes’ commission chair: Bridgitte HARTLEY (RSA)

Are you interested in helping to share the future of your sport and represent the interests of your fellow athletes?

- Contact: Inform your National Federation to submit your nomination
- Deadline: July 14
- Voting: Athletes will cast their votes during the World Championships in Penrith
- Election: Two Slalom athletes (1 male and 1 female)
- Terms in Office: 2025-2029

### b. Sport Equipment Survey

Please fill and share with your athletes the “Sport Equipment Survey”





### **c. 2025 ICF World Championship Penrith**

Please register to the numerical entries for the 2025 ICF World Championships in Penrith.

- Numerical entries – please complete
- Boat transportation
  - Via air with Destination Travel, see @Jill.Bassett@Paddle.org.au
  - Via Sea with Prowave, contact

### **d. 2025 ICF World Championship Penrith**

Please, if you can, help RSA athlete to get to Prague. The transportation needs are the following ones:

- 2 boats
- 1 athlete (Waris)

## 11. Appendices

Appendix 1. Venue Map

Appendix 2. Demonstrators /Forerunners list

Appendix 3. Bib design

### a. !! Appendix 1. Venue Map



## b. !! Appendix 2. Demonstrators/Forerunners list

### i. Canoe and Kayak events

Remark: For Canoe, left-sided, right-sided and switcher paddlers are needed

#### ➤ Demonstration

- Course tuning with demonstration runners
- Full course rehearsal

Bib	Event	Name	Bib	Event	Name
301	WK1	COLINE CHAREL	302	WK1	ROMANE PRIGENT
303	MK1	TITOUAN ESTANGUET	304	MK1	UNAI OTEIZA
305	WC1	MARJORIE DELASSUS	306	WC1	YOULIA ESTANGUET
307	MC1	JULES BERNARDET	308	MC1	FELIX CHEVALIER

#### ➤ Kayak events - Forerunners

Bib	Event	Name	Bib	Event	Name
301	WK1	COLINE CHAREL	302	WK1	ROMANE PRIGENT
303	MK1	TITOUAN ESTANGUET	304	MK1	UNAI OTEIZA

#### ➤ Canoe events - Forerunners

Bib	Event	Name	Bib	Event	Name
305	WC1	MARJORIE DELASSUS	306	WC1	YOULIA ESTANGUET
307	MC1	JULES BERNARDET	308	MC1	FELIX CHEVALIER

### ii. Kayak Cross events

Remark: Gender equity is recommended but not mandatory

#### ➤ Kayak Cross-Rehearsal (2 races)

- 2 races. Two set of 4 athletes or one set repeating twice

Bib	Name	Name
Red	GAEL ADISSON	PERRINE JOUBERT
Green	GINO BENINI	MARJORIE DELASSUS
Blue	TITOUAN ESTANGUET	MARGOT LAPEZE
Yellow	UNAI OTEIZA	ROMANE PRIGENT

#### ➤ Kayak Cross Individual- Forerunners

Bib	Name
309	GAEL ADISSON
310	GINO BENINI
303	TITOUAN ESTANGUET
304	UNAI OTEIZA

#### ➤ Kayak Cross- Forerunners

Bib	Name
311	PERRINE JOUBERT
305	MARJORIE DELASSUS
312	MARGOT LAPEZE
302	ROMANE PRIGENT

**c. !! Appendix 3. Bib design**

**i. Forerunners**

*Forerunners: from 301*



**ii. Training**

*Training: 1 to 299*



**iii. Canoe and kayak events**

**MK1**

**MC1**

**WK1**

**WC1**



1 to 120

1 to 80

1 to 120

1 to 80

**iv. Kayak Cross Individual**





## **v. Kayak Cross Elimination phase**

Elimination phase number bibs will be distributed at the pre-start area.

In each bracket Athletes will place over their number bib a colour bib to designate their ranking in the kayak cross individual. The colour bibs will change around depending on who proceeds and will be distributed directly before each bracket by the pre start Judges.

Highest ranked = **Red**, 2nd ranked = **Green**, 3rd ranked = **Blue** and 4th ranked = **Yellow**

**DESIGN TO BE CONFIRMED**