

Canoe Marathon

World Games 2025 Chengdu (CHN)

Qualification System

1. Classes

Men K1, Women K1

2. Events

Men K1 Short-distance
Men K1 Long-distance
Women K1 Short-distance
Women K1 Long-distance

3. Quota allocation

	2024 ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships								
	Long-distance					Short-distance			
Gender	Africa	America	Asia	Europe	Oceania	Next best ranked	Next best ranked	Host country	Total
Men	1	1	1	1	1	11	3	1	20
Women	1	1	1	1	1	11	3	1	20

4. Quota Per Nation

An NF can obtain a maximum of one (1) quota place per class, unless rule 8.d is applied.

Athlete quota places will be allocated to the respective NF and not to the athlete that achieved the place in the qualification event.

5. Athlete Eligibility

All selected athletes must compete in both the Short-distance and Long-distance races in the same class at the World Games 2025.

Each athlete can only earn one quota place.

6. Qualification Process

- a. Quota places will be allocated after the conclusion of the 2024 ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships in the order specified below. If there are heats for an event where not all athletes progress to the final, these athletes will be ranked by order of time after all athletes who progressed to the final. Athletes must have a valid result to be ranked.
- b. Step 1: At the 2024 ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships, the first placed boat from each continent in the Men K1 Long-distance and Women K1 Long-distance races will achieve a quota places for their NF.
- c. Step 2: Eleven (11) quota places will be allocated to the best ranked NFs not yet qualified in the Long-distance race.
- d. Step 3: Three (3) quota places will be allocated to the best ranked NFs not yet qualified in the same class from the results of the Short-distance race.
- e. Step 5: If the host country is represented in the NFs that have achieved a quota place in an event at the 2024 ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships (continental allocation or otherwise), then the host nation quota place will be reallocated to the best ranked NF not yet qualified in the Long-distance race of the same class, regardless of continent.

7. Confirmation process for quota places

The ICF will inform NFs in writing within 14 days after the last competition day of the 2024 Marathon World Championships of their allocated athlete quota places. The NFs will then have up to 30 days from that notification to confirm or decline their athlete quota places to the ICF. If a quota place is not accepted within this time frame, it will be returned for reallocation as outlined below.

The host country must confirm in writing to the ICF within 14 days after the last competition day of the 2024 Marathon World Championships the use of its host country places.

Once the reallocation process starts, NFs will have up to 10 days from the notification of the ICF to confirm or decline the quota places in writing.

8. Reallocation of unused quota places

- a. Should an NF return an athlete quota place from the continental allocation, the next best ranked NF in that event from the same continent, not yet qualified, will be allocated the quota place. In the case where there are no more eligible NFs that can gain an athlete quota place from the same continent, the athlete quota place will be given to the next best ranked NF not yet qualified from the 2024 ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships Long-distance race, regardless of continental representation.
- b. Should an NF return an athlete quota place that has been obtained from the 2024 ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships, other than continental allocation quota places, the next best ranked NF in that event, not yet qualified, will be allocated the athlete quota place.
- c. Should an NF return a host country quota place which was not earned through the qualification process at the 2024 ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships, this quota place will be reallocated to the next best ranked NF not yet qualified from the 2024 ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships Long-distance event in that class.
- d. If the quota places cannot be reallocated as outlined in 8a, 8b and 8c, a second quota place will be allocated from the best ranked second NF boat from the 2024 ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships Long-distance race in the same class, until all quota places have been allocated.
- e. If an athlete quota place is not filled from the procedures outlined above, the quota places will be allocated by the ICF Executive Committee.

9. Force majeure

If the 2024 ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships is not held, or if any event does not meet the minimum criteria to be considered a World Championship event (ICF canoe marathon rule 1.7.1.b), instead the results from the same event(s) at the 2023 ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships will be utilised, in the same manner as described in this document.