

COMPETITION RULES								
NF / BoD / Committee	ART. / BYLAW / GR / TR	ART.	POINT / BULLET POINT	POINT / BULLET POINT	EXISTING WORDING	PROPOSED WORDING	Committee Comment	BOARD STAND
Committee	PR	2	1	1	The aim of a Canoe Marathon is for people to race each other in kayaks and canoes over a designated long distance course on open water.	The aim of a Canoe Marathon competition is for people to race each other in kayaks and canoes over a designated course.	better explanation	Approved
Committee	PR	2	1	2	The athlete must take the water as it is found and be prepared, if it is necessary, to carry his/her canoe around impassable obstacles, or between two (2) waterways.	The athlete must take the water as it is found and be prepared, if it is necessary, to carry their boats around impassable obstacles, or between two (2) waterways.	better explanation	Approved
Committee	PR	2	2	1	LEVEL 4 International competitions Masters competitions Invitational competitions	LEVEL 4 International competitions Masters competitions Master World Championships Invitational competitions	adding Masters World Championships as per other disciplines	Approved
Committee	PR	3	2	3	Sections and longitudinal lines of the hull must not be concave (horizontally and vertically respectively).	Deleted	No need for rule without width restriction	Approved
Committee	PR	3	3	3	New	Kayaks will be allowed weed deflectors in front of the rudder. Weed deflector can be maximum 20 cm long and cannot be deeper than the rudder.	In line with Canoe sprint	In Favour
Committee	SR	3	5		Bailers b Bailers which interrupt the line of the hull are not permitted; c Electrically operated pumps may only be used when the race organisers require it for safety reasons; d Automatic or pump bailers may be fitted in both kayaks and canoes	Pumps	better explanation	Approved
Committee	SR	3	5	1		Deleted	Simplify the rules as it is covered by 3.5.1.a	Approved
Committee	PR	3	7		Trademarks	Identifications and advertising trademarks	In line with Canoe sprint	Approved
	PR	4	2	1	Standard distances: Seniors - Men Minimum 20 km and no upper limit Seniors - Women Minimum 15 km and no upper limit Juniors - Minimum 15 km and no upper limit	Standard distance marathon races are races minimum 10km long and no upper limit.	open the rules for shorter distances	In Favour
Committee	PR	4	2	2	Short distance marathon races are races between 3,4 km and 15 km long.	Short distance marathon races are races between 3,4 km and 10 km long.	Adjustment of the shorter distance	In Favour
Committee	PR	6	1	2.i	New	Safety requirements	important information	Approved
Committee	PR	6	2	2	Except World Championships for other competitions on the ICF Calendar it is not necessary to specify the names of substitutes on the written entry.	Other than for World Championships it is not necessary to specify the names of substitutes on the written entry.	better explanation	Approved
Committee	SR	7	1	1	New	Chief Finish Line Judge	In line with other disciplines	Approved
Committee	SR	7	1	1	Announcer	Commentator	Change the title	Approved
Committee	SR	7	1	2	If circumstances permit, one (1) person may function in two (2) of the above positions.	If circumstances permit, one (1) person may function in more than one (1) of the above positions.	better explanation	Approved
Committee	SR	7	1	3	New	Officials' obligations – 7.1.3.a to perform their tasks in conformity with the ICF rules. 7.1.3.b Every judge will have the obligation to check their equipment necessary to perform their tasks is in working order. In the case any shortcoming is found, it is reported to the Chief Official or Competition Manager. 7.1.3.c Unauthorised persons must not enter any Officials area, unless are called for by either the competition committee or the Jury.	In line with other disciplines	Approved
Committee	SR	7	1	4	New	All communications between the Competition Officials and the athletes and Team Leaders must be in English language. In the case of a translator being needed, this must be provided by the team.	In line with other disciplines	Approved
Committee	SR	7	2	1	The competition is to be managed by a Competition Committee consisting of.	ICF competitions are to be managed by a Competition Committee consisting of.	Requirement only for ICF competitions	Approved
Committee	SR	7	2	3.b	Postpone the competition and decide on another time when it may be held, or abandon the competition, or, if the competition has already begun, abandon or reschedule the competition, in the event of inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances which make it impossible to carry out or finish the competition;	Postpone the competition and decide on another time when it may be held, or abandon the competition, or, if the competition has already begun, abandon, curtail or reschedule the competition, in the event of inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances which make it impossible to carry out or finish the competition;	better explanation	Approved
Committee	SR	7	2	4	A member of the Competition Committee may not participate in a judgment connected with the disqualification of an athlete from his/her own NF.	A member of the Competition Committee may not participate in a judgment connected with an incident directly involving or a disqualification of an athlete from his/her own NF.	better explanation	Approved
Committee	SR	7	3	2.c	Collect the notes from the Team Leaders of the participating countries on the changes before the beginning of the Team Leaders Meeting and put them in order according to the races;	Collect the notes from the Team Leaders of the participating countries on the changes notified before the beginning of the Team Leaders Meeting and put them in order according to the races;	better explanation	Approved
Committee	SR	7	3	2.f	Formulate the decisions of the Competition Committee passed relating to the protest and arrange to have it recorded in the minutes. He/she is responsible for the accuracy of the minutes.	Maintain a written record of the decisions of the Competition Committee passed relating to any protests and is responsible to have them recorded.	better explanation	Approved
Committee	SR	7	3	4.b	New	Decide, in discussion with relevant officials, any time penalties that are appropriate in response to minor infractions and communicate these to the officials responsible for managing the penalties;	better explanation the role	Approved
Committee	SR	7	3	4.b	Report any infractions to the Chief Official, if the rules are broken, who, in turn, should refer it to the Competition Committee. The Competition Committee should then decide whether any of the athletes concerned should be disqualified or not;	Report any major infractions to the Chief Official, if the rules are broken in a way which may lead to a disqualification, who, in turn, should refer it to the Competition Committee.	better explanation the role	Approved
Committee	SR	7	3	4.c	Appoint officials to supervise the control points along the course.	Appoint officials to supervise the control points along the course and maintain contact with all such officials throughout the competition.	better explanation the role	Approved
Committee	SR	7	3	9	The Course Umpire will supervise the control point(s) along the course and will report to the Chief Course Umpire in case of infringements of the Canoe Marathon Rules.	Each Course Umpire will supervise the control point(s) to which they have been assigned along the course and will report to the Chief Course Umpire in case of infringements of the Canoe Marathon Rules.	better explanation the role	Approved
Committee	SR	7	3	10.c	In the case of equal voting, the Chief Judge has the casting vote;	In the case of equal voting, the Chief Finish Line Judge has the casting vote;	In line with other disciplines	Approved
Committee	SR	7	3	11	New	Chief Finish Line Judge, who will: 7.3.11.a Divide the work amongst the Finish Line Judges; 7.3.11.b Compare the official times with the other Finish Line Judges at the end of each race and immediately inform the Deputy Chief Official on them.	In line with other disciplines	Approved
Committee	SR	7	3	14.b	Dispatch the boat to the starting place when the boat, equipment and clothing is approved as set down in the competition rules and confirmed by the Team Leaders Meeting.	Dispatch the boat to the starting place when the boat, equipment and clothing is approved.	better explanation the role	Approved
Committee	SR	7	3	14.c	New	Check identity of the athletes and confirm that boat numbers and body numbers are correct;	better explanation the role	Approved
Committee	SR	7	3	14.d	New	Report the required information about the participants in each event to the Chief Official.	better explanation the role	Approved
Committee	SR	7	3	15	Announcer	Commentator	better explanation the role	Approved
Committee	SR	8	1	1.a	River courses without obstacles, or interruptions;	River and canal courses without obstacles, or interruptions;	better explanation	Approved
Committee	SR	8	1	1.b	River courses with obstacles such as weirs, rocks or shallows involving obligatory or optional portages;	River and canal courses with obstacles such as locks, weirs, rocks or shallows involving obligatory or optional portages;	better explanation	Approved
Committee	SR	8	1	2	Length of the competition distance: Seniors - Men Minimum 20 km and no upper limit Seniors - Women Minimum 15 km and no upper limit Juniors - Minimum 15 km and no upper limit	Deleted	Same as above	Subject to PR Approval
Committee	SR	8	1	3	Short course (distance) marathon races with or without portage may be held.	Deleted	Same as above	Subject to PR Approval
Committee	SR	8	2	1.b	Both starting and finishing lines must be marked with red flags/buoys at the points where these lines intersect the outer limits of the course.	Both starting and finishing lines (other than portoon start) must be marked with red flags/buoys at the points where these lines intersect the outer limits of the course.	better explanation	Approved

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Committee	SR	9	1	2.c	Draw up and distribute the advance competition programme including the date and time of the Team Leaders Meeting.	Draw up and distribute the competition programme including the date and time of the Teams Leaders meeting. It must be distributed in advance of the competition.	better explanation	Approved
Committee	PR	9	2	1.c	<b>New</b>	<b>Submit any changes or comments in relation to the competition;</b>	better explanation of the role	Approved
Committee	PR	9	3	1	Documentation should be available for each Team Leader, at least five (5) hours before the beginning of the competition, containing the following information:	Documentation should be available for each Team Leader before the beginning of the Team Leaders meeting containing the following information:	In line with other disciplines	Approved
Committee	PR	9	6	3	<b>New</b>	<b>Extraordinary alterations can be done by the Competition Committee when the circumstances can endanger the safety of the athletes. Any such changes must be communicated to all Team Leaders as early as possible</b>	To cover extreme situations	In Favour
Committee	SR	10	2	4	The classes should start in <b>descending order from fastest to slowest</b> as determined by the Competition Committee.	The classes should start in order as determined by the Competition Committee.	Can be different order	Approved
Committee	SR	10	3	1.a	The boats may be held at the stern;	The boats may be held at the stern <b>or blocked at the front by an automatic start system;</b>	For a start system	Approved
Committee	SR	10	3	1.c	<b>Le Mans</b>	<b>Bank</b>	Use "our" term	Approved
Committee	SR	10	4	1.a	+if an athlete commences paddling after the word "Ready" and before the shot has been fired, he/she has made a false start;	+if an athlete commences paddling after the word "Ready" and before the <b>start signal</b> has been <b>given</b> , he/she has made a false start;	better explanation	Approved
Committee	SR	10	7	3	A collision will be an event where an athlete's boat or paddle touches another athlete's boat or paddle in a way that disadvantages another athlete.	A collision will be an event where an athlete <b>or any part of their</b> boat or paddle touches another athlete's boat or paddle in a way that disadvantages another athlete.	better explanation	Approved
Committee	SR	10	9	3	In case of a capsized, an athlete may receive assistance with emptying his/her boat and <b>regaining</b> his/her paddling position but must no advantage be gained from the assistance in any way.	In case of a capsized, an athlete may receive assistance with emptying his/her boat and <b>restarting (or resuming)</b> his/her paddling position but must no advantage be gained from the assistance in any way.	better explanation	Approved
Committee	PR	10	12	2.c	Should a buoy be missed as a result of a collision in group racing during a turn this will be investigated and the boat that caused the collision will be penalised or disqualified (DSQ), see article 10.12.3.	Should a buoy be missed as a result of a collision in group racing during a turn this will be investigated and the boat that caused the collision will be <b>penalised or disqualified (DSQ)</b> , see article 10.12.3.	better explanation	Approved
Committee	PR	10	12	5	Accompanying infringement: It is forbidden during a race, to be accompanied by other boats along the course. The athletes concerned will be <b>disqualified (DSQ) from the race.</b>	Any athlete who is accompanied along the course by other boats which are not in the race will be disqualified (DSQ) from the race.	better explanation	Approved
Committee	PR	10	12	5.a	Time penalties as decided by the Chief Course Umpire are not subject to appeal	Time penalties as decided by the Chief Course Umpire are not subject to appeal <b>and must be taken at the earliest opportunity during the race.;</b>	better explanation	Approved
Committee	PR	10	12	7	<b>New</b>	<b>Failure to deliver the copy confirmation of the disqualification to the Team Leader does not invalidate the disqualification.</b>	In line with other disciplines	Approved
Committee	PR	11	1	1	A protest against the right of an athlete/crew to compete in a race must be addressed to the <b>Competition Committee</b> and handed to the <b>Chief Official</b> , not later than one (1) hour before the start of the race of the competition.	A protest against the right of an athlete/crew to compete in a race must be addressed to the <b>Chief Official</b> and handed to the <b>Competition Committee</b> , not later than one (1) hour before the start of the race of the competition.	In line with other disciplines	Approved
Committee	PR	11	1	2.b	<b>Forced</b> to retire.	<b>Retire from the race.</b>	better explanation	Approved
Committee	PR	11	1	4	<b>New</b>	<b>If the protest is against a decision of the Competition Committee, the protest must be received not later than 30 minutes after the Team Leader is called to attend the Competition Committee to receive the written disqualification.</b>	In line with other disciplines	Change to Sprint rules
Committee	PR	11	1	5	<b>New</b>	<b>The Competition Committee must note the time that the Team Leader is called to attend the Competition Committee on the written disqualification.</b>	In line with other disciplines	Change to Sprint rules
Committee	PR	11	1	8	The decision of the Competition Committee on a protest <b>or reported incident</b> should be reported to the Team Leaders concerned within 30 minutes of the protest being received <b>or the incident being reported.</b>	The decision of the Competition Committee on a protest should be reported to the Team Leaders concerned within 30 minutes of the protest being received.	better explanation	Change to Sprint rules
Committee	PR	11	1	9	<b>New</b>	When a protest or a report is made against an athlete or a team, the Team Leader of the athlete/team in question should be presented the protest or report to read.	In line with other disciplines	In Favour
Committee	PR	12	1	2	<b>World Championships will be held over three (3) days, for each age group (seniors, juniors). These days may overlap but the overall number of days is kept to maximum of four (4) days. Each race should be completed in one (1) stage, i.e. non-stop.</b>	<b>World Championships can be run upto a maximum of 6 (six) days</b>	With a short distance is getting very tight schedule and very loaded days. Already we are breaking that rule	In Favour
Committee	PR	12	4	2.b	<b>New</b>	<b>Teams must provide a photo(s)/ drawings of National racing uniform(s) that will be used during the competition;</b>	In line with other disciplines	In Favour
Committee	PR	12	4	3	The Competition schedule must be available at least three (3) days before the Championships and must contain the following details:	The <b>preliminary</b> Competition schedule must be available at least three (3) days before the Championships and must contain the following details:	In line with other disciplines	Approved
Committee	PR	12	5		<b>DRAWING OF LOTS</b>	<b>STARTING POSITIONS</b>	Better explanation	Approved
Committee	PR	12	6	2	<b>New</b>	<b>The Team Leaders must use the English language in the Team Leaders meeting and if necessary, provide a translator.</b>	To avoid misunderstanding	In Favour
Committee	SR	12	7	2	The boat controllers will check boats by using regulated equipment. At the end of the race the first four (4) boats will be checked again.	At the end of the each race the first four (4) boats and other at random will be checked by the boat controllers using regulated equipment.	better explanation	Approved
Committee	SR	12	7	3	<b>New</b>	<b>All the boats must have the athlete's country code stickers on both sides and perfectly visible and readable.</b>	In line with other disciplines	Approved
Committee	SR	12	7	4	<b>New</b>	<b>All participants from each nation must wear the same national uniform at the same start. Variation of the sleeves and shorts is permitted. If this is not complying, the athletes will not be allowed to take the start, and they will be disqualified.</b>	Improve the sport presentation	Approved
Committee	SR	12	8	3	Athletes who have been lapped will end their race at the most suitable time and location and as soon as possible after the race leader has passed the last portage. The normal location for ending a lapped paddlers race will be at the portage. They will be recorded in the place they are at that point in the race.	Athletes who have been lapped will end their race before they have completed the full race distance. Once the leading boat has completed their final portage all boats will complete the final short lap after their next portage and will proceed to the finishing line where their time will be recorded. Paddlers will then be included in the results according to the number of laps they have completed and the time taken.	Improve the rule	Approved
Committee	PR	12	9	2	The appeal must be handed to the Chair of the Jury in writing with reasons, not later than 20 minutes after the <b>Team Leader has been informed with a written communication of the decision against the athlete or team and has signed the receipt given.</b>	The appeal must be handed to the Chair of the Jury in writing with reasons, not later than 20 minutes after the <b>Team Leader is called to attend the Competition Committee to receive the written disqualification.</b>	In line with other disciplines	Approved
Committee	PR	12	9	3	<b>New</b>	<b>The Competition Committee must note the time that the Team Leader is called to attend the Competition Committee on the written disqualification.</b>	In line with other disciplines	same as Sprint rules
Committee	PR	12	10		<b>New</b>	<b>AWARDS[PR] 12.10.1 - The medals will be awarded in accordance with article 1.8.6 and must on no account be presented to any other persons than those who have won championship races. 12.10.2 - Only medals, to the exclusion of all other prizes, are to be presented at the official ceremony.</b>	In line with other disciplines	In Favour
Committee	PR	12	12	3	Championships are restricted to the following classes:	<b>The World Championships are restricted to the following classes:</b>	Become official World Championships	In Favour
Committee	PR	12	12	3	<b>New</b>	<b>Mixed K2 in two (2) age groups 35-49 and 50+</b>	Adding mixed crews	In Favour