

2026 ICF CANOE SLALOM

Pre-season meeting

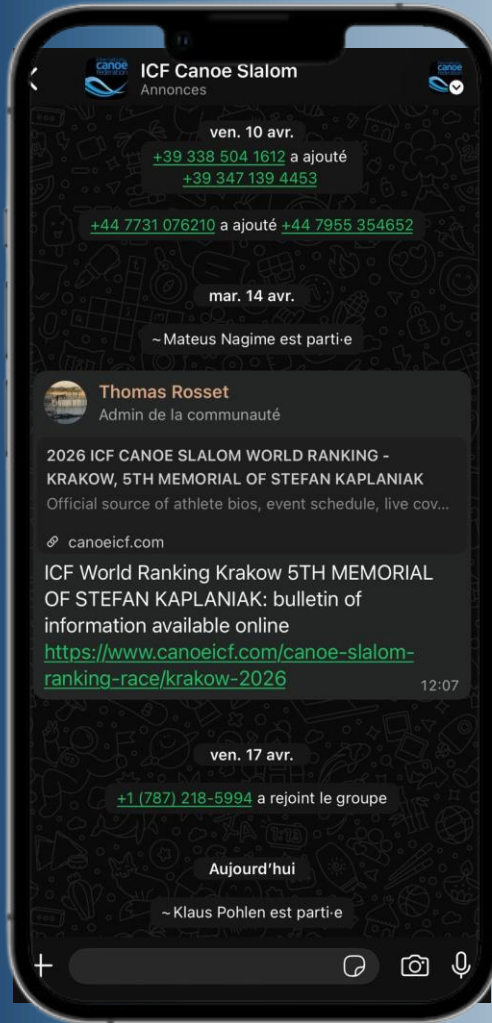
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COMMUNICATION CHANNELS



MAIL

NF members mailing list

- Official information related to Canoe slalom
- Development camp applications

To register, please contact your NF to liaise with the ICF HQ.

Mailchimp newsletter

- Public information

[Get registered here](#)

WHATSAPP

ICF Canoe Slalom events community (click to get in)

- Information bulletin ICF Ranking
- Reminders

Event Teams Group

- Official communications related to a specific event
- Available on the ICF Webpage

CANOE SLALOM RULES AND RULES APPENDICES

- [2025 ICF Canoe Slalom Rules](#)
- [2026 ICF Canoe Slalom Appendices](#)
- Specific information listed in the Competition Guide
- For consistency, 2027 rules might be implemented this season during Team Leader meetings. More information will be shared after the ICF Board meeting beginning of May.
- [Warning and RAL monitoring – 2026 season](#)

Disciplines

Canoe Sprint Rules

- [2025 ICF Canoe Sprint Rules](#) - updated with reviewed progression system
 - [World Ranking Rules](#) - taking effect 1 January 2025
- [2025 ICF Canoe Sprint Rules - Spanish translation](#)
Please note that the official language of the rules is British English, in case of a dispute the English version is deemed official.
- [LA2028 Olympic Games - Canoe Sprint Qualification system](#)

Paracanoe Rules

- [2025 ICF Paracanoe Rules](#)

Canoe Slalom Rules

- [2025 ICF Canoe Slalom Rules](#)
 - [2026 Rules Appendices](#)

Canoe Marathon Rules

- [2025 ICF Canoe Marathon Rules](#)

Canoe Polo Rules

- [2025 ICF Canoe Polo Rules](#)
- [ICF Canoe Polo rules appendices 2025](#) - Applicable for 2026
- [ICF Canoe Polo World Championships 2026 qualification system](#) (updated 7 November 2025)
- [World Games 2025 - Canoe Polo qualification system](#) (updated 7 November 2025)
- [2025 Canoe Polo rule clarifications](#) - uploaded 26 August 2025

Wildwater Canoeing Rules

- [2025 ICF Wildwater Canoeing Rules](#)

COMPETITION FORMAT

SLALOM

World Cups

- 1 Heat
- 1 Final (12 athletes)

World Championships (OKC) and World Cup Finals (La Seu d'Urgell)

- 1 Heat
- 1 Semi-Final (30 athletes)
- 1 Final (12 athletes)



COMPETITION FORMAT

KAYAK CROSS

World Cups and Jr/U23 World Championships

- Kayak Cross Individual
- Elimination phase Format A (*cf. Rule Appendix 7*)
=> 32 athletes in Heats

World Championships and World Cup Finals

- Kayak Cross Individual
- Elimination phase Format B (*cf. Rule Appendix 7*)
=> (42 athletes in Round 1)



OFFICIAL TRAINING REQUESTS

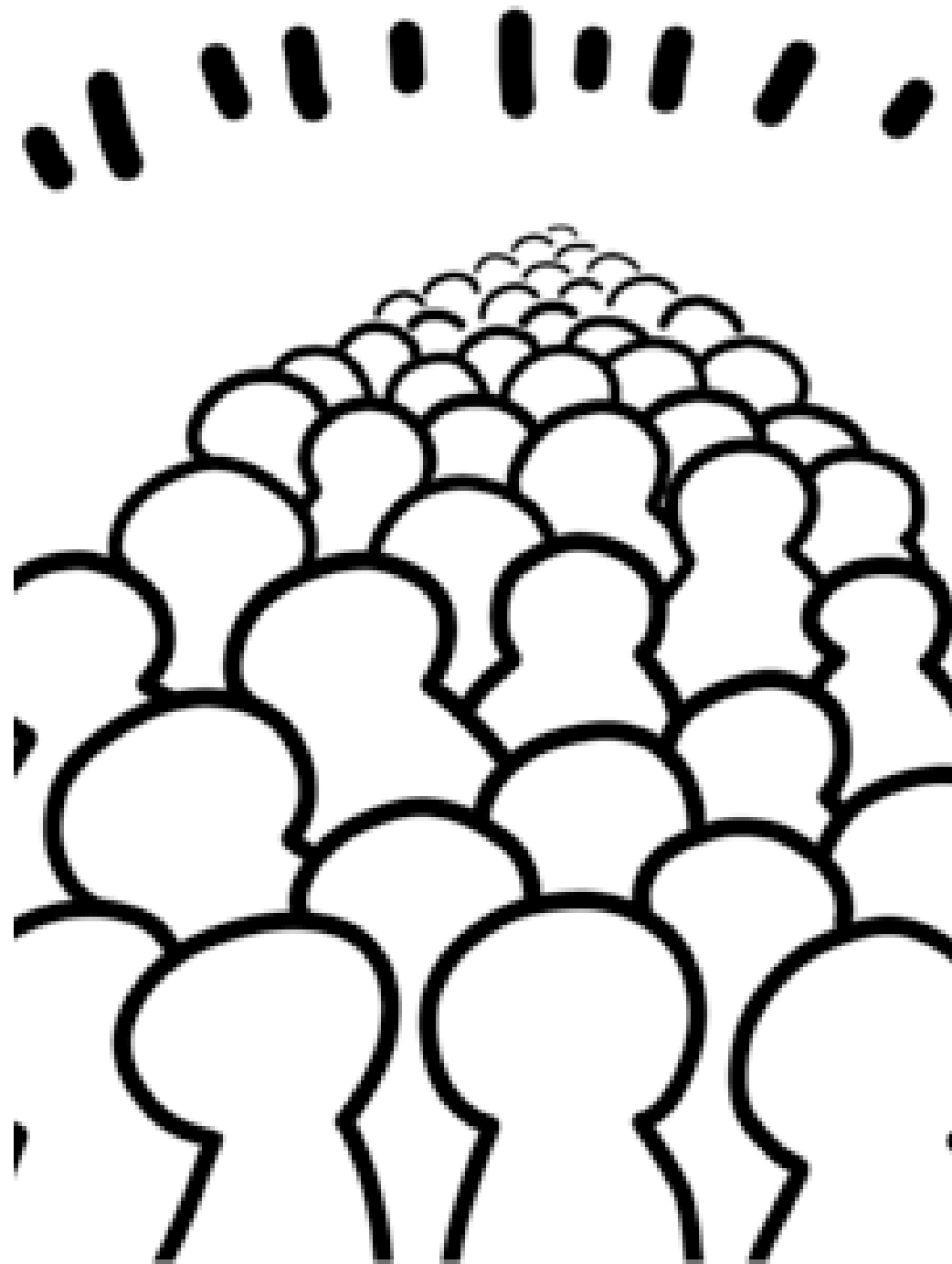
Specific requests about training schedule slots:

- To be addressed to ICF Technical manager:
[Manon Bocquet](mailto:manon.bocquet@canoeicf.sport) (manon.bocquet@canoeicf.sport)
- Before the **numerical** entries deadline
(45 days before the first day of competition)
- ICF will try to answer it as much as possible
=> do not consider that a request sent is accepted



NUMERICAL ENTRIES

- As indicated on the information bulletins for Level 1 and 2 competitions, the official training schedules are compiled according to the number of competitors entered by the NFs via the “**People**” tab of the **numerical entries on SDP**.
- Numerical entries for Tacen, Prague and Augsburg have been reopened until the **30th of April, 23:59 CET**. The official training schedules will then be published next week.



HOW TO FILL THE NUMERICAL ENTRIES

1 – Filter to get the list of the competitions you are interested in.

The screenshot shows the International Canoe Federation website interface. On the left is a navigation menu with options like 'Federation Management', 'Competitions', 'Calendar', 'Online Entries', 'Pre Accreditations', and 'Organising Committees'. The main content area is titled 'Search Competitions' and includes a search bar and several filters. A red box highlights the 'Competition Type' (set to 'WORLD CUP'), 'Discipline' (set to 'CANOE SLALOM'), and 'Year' (set to '2026') dropdown menus. Below these are two checkboxes: 'Competition with open numerical period for entries' and 'Competition with open period for entries'. A 'Search' button is located to the right. Below the search area is a table titled 'Competitions found' with columns: Name, Discipline, Country, Event Location, Numerical, Start Date, End Date, N, Nominal, Start Date, End Date, and Nominal. The table lists five competitions for 2026. A red circle highlights the small icon in the 'N' column of the first row (SLOVENIA, LJUBLJANA...), and a red arrow points from the text '2 - Click on the small icon...' to this icon.

| Name | Discipline | Country | Event Location | Numerical | Start Date | End Date | N | Nominal | Start Date | End Date | Nominal |
|-----------------|-------------|----------|----------------|-----------|------------|------------|---|---------|------------|------------|---------|
| 2026 ICF CAN... | CANOE SL... | SLOVENIA | LJUBLJANA... | ● | 01/01/2026 | 30/04/2026 | | ● | 01/01/2026 | 19/05/2026 | |
| 2026 ICF CAN... | CANOE SL... | CZECHIA | PRAGUE | ● | 01/01/2026 | 30/04/2026 | | ● | 01/01/2026 | 26/05/2026 | |
| 2026 ICF CAN... | CANOE SL... | GERMANY | AUGSBURG | ● | 01/01/2026 | 28/04/2026 | | ● | 01/01/2026 | 02/06/2026 | |
| 2026 ICF CAN... | CANOE SL... | FRANCE | VAIRES-SU... | ● | 01/01/2026 | 20/07/2026 | | ● | 01/01/2026 | 24/08/2026 | |
| 2026 ICF CAN... | CANOE SL... | SPAIN | LA SEU | ● | 01/01/2026 | 28/07/2026 | | ● | 01/01/2026 | 01/09/2026 | |

2 – Click on the small icon to access the numerical entries of the dedicated competition

HOW TO FILL THE NUMERICAL ENTRIES

3 – Fill the information requested

international canoe federation

Home Entries **New National Federation Entries**

NF Numerical Entries

2026 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CUP TACEN

National Federation: ICF I accept the ICF waiver form conditions for the whole team for this event

Contact person:

Phone: E-mail:

On site

Contact person: Same contact details as above

Phone: E-mail:

HELP:

The entry can be saved once contact data and email is entered.
To edit a cell, click on it.
The rows appear in red when data has been changed but has not yet been saved.

Events People

Export Entries to Excel Export data to PDF

| Event | boats / teams | Max. Entries per NF |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| K1 MEN SENIOR | 0 | 3 |
| K1 WOMEN SENIOR | 0 | 3 |
| C1 MEN SENIOR | 0 | 3 |
| C1 WOMEN SENIOR | 0 | 3 |
| CSLX MEN SENIOR | 0 | 3 |
| CSLX WOMEN SENIOR | 0 | 3 |

4 – In the “**Events**” tab, fill the number of boats you want to enter for each event.

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Events **People**

| Type | |
|-------------|---|
| COACHS | 0 |
| COMPETITORS | 0 |
| ITOs | 0 |
| OTHERS | 0 |
| TEAM LEADER | 0 |

6 – In the “**People**” tab, on the right, fill the number of coaches, **competitors**, others and team leader.

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OK

7 – Once everything is filled, click on “Ok” at the bottom to confirm.

You will be able to modify it until the deadline.



COMPETITION GUIDE & TEAM LEADER MEETING

For each event, a Competition guide will be published on the Team Info tab of each ICF Event page at the nominal entries' deadline.

- Updates done before and straight after the Team Leader Meeting - if necessary
- Generic topics/chapters (written in black)
- **Specific topics/chapters (written in dark red)**
- The Team Leader Meeting will address the **specific topics only**
- Questions may be sent prior the Team Leader Meetings to the ICF technical manager



COURSE DISTRIBUTION & APPROVAL

Course distribution:

- **Kayak Cross course map:** will be published on the first day of the official training period.
- **Canoe slalom course map:** will be published after the last canoe & kayak training session.

Course approval:

- Feedbacks to be reported to the ICF Technical Manager in a 5' time window after the tuning of the course.

Remark: Course designers are ITOs.

The ICF Canoe Slalom committee is still looking for course designers for:

- **2026 World Cup 1 (Tacen-Ljubljana, Slovenia)**
- **2026 ICF Junior & U23 CSL World Championships (Krakow, Poland)**

**Any NF would like to propose someone?
Contact Manon Bocquet.**



KISS & CRY

For Canoe and Kayak Finals

- Provisional top 3 at the Kiss and Cry
- With bib and competition gear

For Kayak Cross Individual

- Provisional top 3 at the Kiss and Cry only for the last 10 athletes
- With bib and competition gear

For Kayak Cross

- Top 3 at the Kiss & Cry
- With bib and competition gear



MEDAL CEREMONY PROTOCOL

For Canoe, Kayak events

- Start 10' after the last final run of the day
- National team uniform. All finalist must bring their uniform in a dedicated room (detailed location, before the start of the final)
- No sunglasses and hat off until the end of the anthem

For Kayak Cross

- 5' after the last run of the event
- In competition gear



TV PRODUCTION

World Cups & Senior World Championships: Two Circles

⇒ All the events will be produced and stream in high quality.
Broadcasters interested in all stages (from heats to finals).

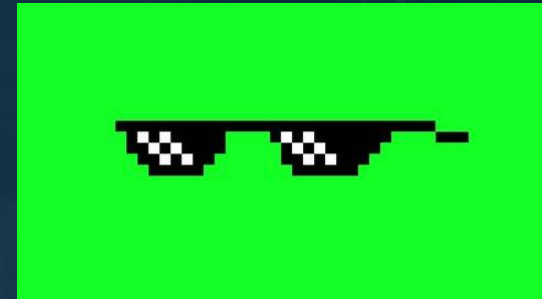
Junior & U23 World Championships:
to be confirmed

GREEN ROOM STUDIO

Athletes' headshot: 8" video

Dress code: team uniform

A schedule will be shared before each event.

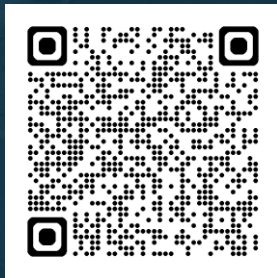


2026 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

- **Unofficial training period: 1-11 July 2026**

The HOC is doing its best to provide two slots per day to any NF that request it (charged). In order to help them organize it, please fill [this form](#).

Deadline: Thursday 30th April.



- **Publications**

Bulletin, competition schedule and venue layout published on the **2026 ICF Canoe Slalom World Championships – Oklahoma Team Info page**.

- **Official training period requests**

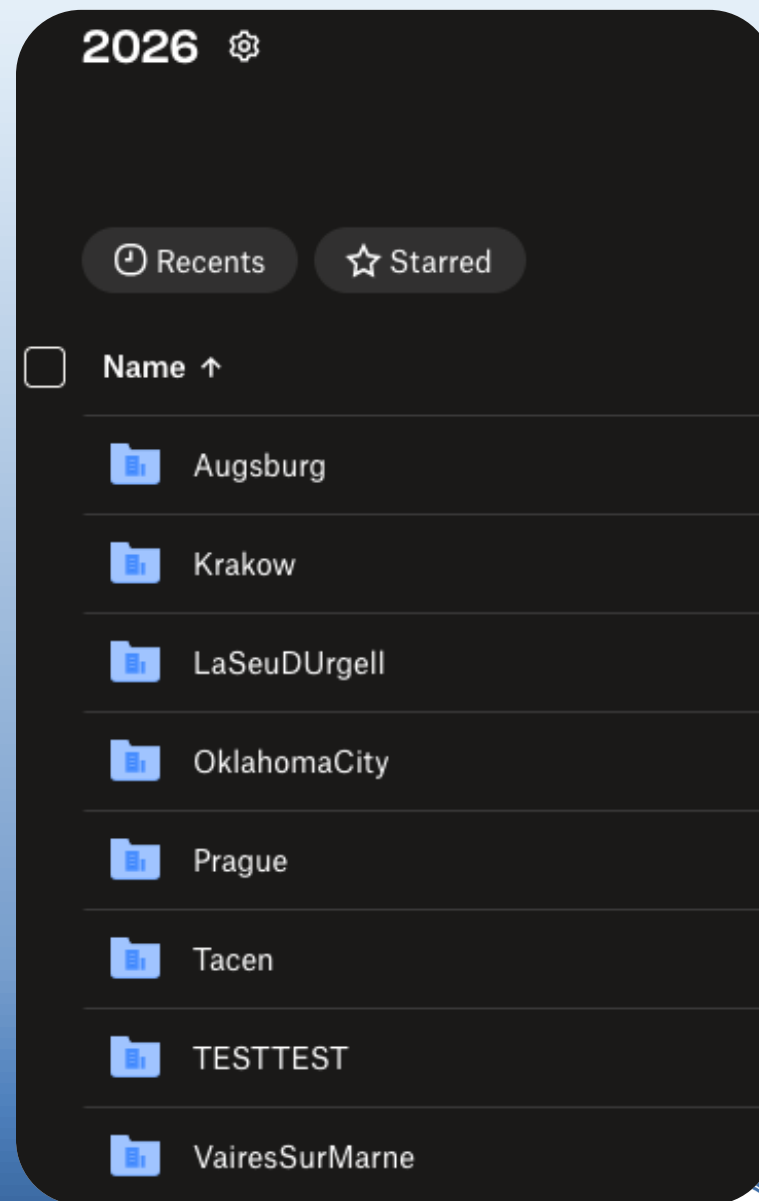
Send it to Manon Bocquet before the numerical entries' deadline (5 June 2026 – 23:59 CET)



TECHNICAL VIDEO SERVICE (TVS)

- Cloud solution
- Dropbox folder access:
 - One folder for the whole season
 - One access per NF

Please fill the [2026 TVS registration form](#) to get access to the 2026 season's folder



TVS WORKING GROUP

Goals & Understanding

- Better understand targets (ICF/Teams/HOC)
- Explore real needs

Innovation & Standards

- Support and accompany innovations / changes
- Define "TVS Standards"

Communication & Exchange

- Constructive dialogue with all stakeholders
- Exchange experience – best practices
- Round table discussions

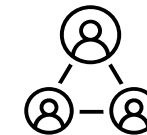
Support & Transparency

- Advice and feedback (e.g. split points)
- Transparent majority decisions
- Identify weaknesses & prioritize measures

How?

Conversations in dedicated meetings – needs-based, without time pressure, in a relaxed atmosphere

TVS WORKING GROUP — BUILDING A BETTER FUTURE TOGETHER



8-10 PEOPLE

- ICF staff (2)

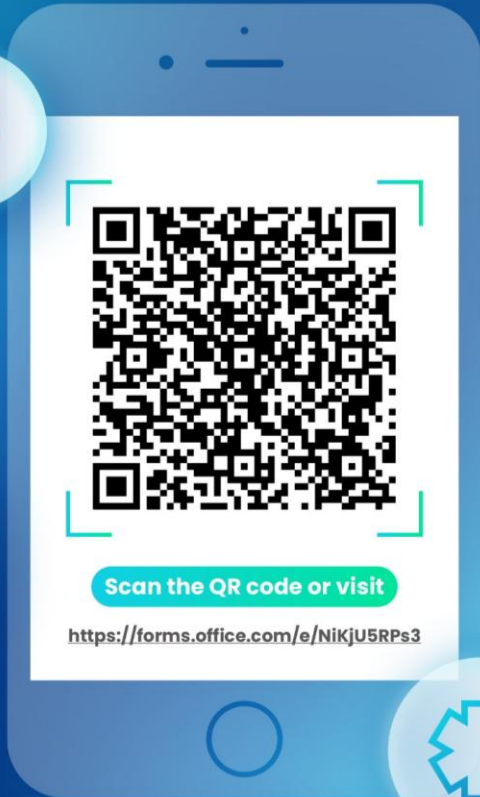
- ICF TVS Manager & Coordinators (2+)

- Technical Team Staff & Experts (max 6)

If you are interested in being TVS coordinator or to be part of the group send your application to manon.bocquet@canoeicf.sport and hans-peter.weiss@canoeicf.sport

Recently injured or sick during an ICF competition?

Help us prevent this in the future by reporting it through this form.



This form is **confidential and anonymous.**

INJURY REPORT

Spread at all the ICF competitions

Level 1 and 2 (also possible to use it at other levels)

Form that is accessible to all ICF disciplines

Available on ICF website:

- [Athlete Health and Wellbeing page](#)
- [Event tool box – Health and Security section](#)

[Weblink to the form](#)

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

New Kayak Cross helmet:

- Gath (with grid for kayak cross)



Personal equipment certified list updated on the [ICF website](#).

Reminder Kayak Cross boats

- The new models must be homologated before 1st January 2027 to be used at Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games



FIELD OF PLAY

Kayak Cross buoys

- New models of buoys homologated (ASMO and ROBFIn)

[Homologated equipment list](#) updated on the ICF website.

ICF will communicate soon about which system is used for each event.

Kayak Cross startgate

- A new model of automatic startgate (developed by Hydrostadium) will be used in Oklahoma



2027 WORLD CUPS

- World Cup 1: Prague (CZE), 4-6 June 2027
- World Cup 2: Augsburg (GER), 11-13 June 2027
- World Cup 3: Lee Valley (GBR), 13-15 August 2027
- World Cup 4: Pau (FRA), 20-22 August 2027
- World Cup Final: Montgomery (USA), 30 September – 03 October 2027

2027 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior World Championships

Location: La Seu d'Urgell, Spain

Dates: 7-12 September 2027

Junior & U23 World Championships

Location: Pattaya, Thailand

Dates: 9-14 November 2027



2027 CALENDAR – ICF Ranking

Goal : To build a coherent and meaningful ICF Ranking calendar for all: athletes, organizers, spectators, continental associations

Allocation rule: Maximum two (2) Level 3 (ICF Ranking) competitions per NFs per year - except for ultra marine territories.

Bid for ICF Ranking competitions in 2027, 2028 are open.

- **Use SDP to officially** add a competition on the calendar.
- **Deadline for 2027 is 1st of September 2026**

If your NF is interested in organizing, please contact the ICF technical manager.



NEXT COMMUNICATIONS

- Competition guides & Team Leader meetings
- Mid season bulletin
- ICF Congress for National Federations

Official communication will be spread by WhatsApp or to the team leader registered on the current meeting application link (still open) as Team Leader.



KAYAK CROSS SUMMIT III

The ICF would like to continue the discussions about the future of kayak cross by co-organizing another dedicated summit where all the different stakeholders (athletes, coaches, officials) will speak, paddle and exchange outside a competition time.

If your NF is interested in co-organizing such event, please reach the ICF Canoe Slalom Committee chair, Richard Fox, and ICF Technical manager, Manon Bocquet.



ROAD TO LA28

Phase 1 – Olympic Ranking: starts in Oklahoma at the 2026 ICF CSL World Championships and ends in Montgomery at the 2027 ICF CSL World Cup Final.

The ranking will be available and updated during the whole period (more information to come later).

Phase 2 – Continental Qualifications: The ICF is currently discussing with the continental associations to build the calendar for the second phase.

Q&A available on the ICF website: [LA2028 Olympic Games – Canoe Slalom, Team Info page](#).



ICF REBRANDING

The International Canoe Federation will be rebranded at the 2026 ICF Congress in Oklahoma, just after the World Championships.



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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS



CONTACTS



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- ICF Sport Technical Manager

Manon Bocquet manon.bocquet@canoeicf.sport

THANK YOU



HUGE THANKS TO THOMAS

We will miss you!