



Dear athletes,

Dear representatives of the national federations and the ICF !

One of Austria's most beautiful and picturesque rivers, the Mur River in Styria, will become for one week the center of canoeing attention. The course between Ramingstein and Predlitz (classic) and in Murau (sprint) hosted the ICF Wildwater Worldcup in 2015 and 1991, the ECA Juniors European Championships 2016 and sometimes Austrian and German Championships. We proudly invite you to the **ICF WILDWATER CANOEING JUNIORS and UNDER 23 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017** which will be organized by the clubs Kanusport Steiermark and UPC Sankt Ruprecht in cooperation with Murau, Ramingstein and Predlitz Municipalities from July 25th to July 29th 2017.

The beautiful clean nature and the green water will not be the only marker of the upcoming competition. We will do everything in our power to organize exciting, fair and most of all safe competitions which will present the wildwater canoeing to the world as the sport of nature, pure joy and sport of champions.

See you on river Mur in Styria !

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ICF Wildwatercanoeing Juniors and Under 23

World Championships 2017

on River Mur in Styria, Austria

ORGANIZER: Kanusport Steiermark, Austrian Canoe Federation

DATE: July 25th – 29th, 2017

COURSE PLACE: River Mur between Ramingstein and Predlitz and in Murau

DIFFICULTY: WW grade II - III

CLASSIC RACE: Start in Ramingstein, Finish in Predlitz, length 6 km, appr. 19 min, WW grade II - III

SPRINT RACE: Start and Finish in the centre of Murau, length 400m, appr. 45 sec., WW grade II

CATEGORIES: The following categories will be held in Classic and Sprint competitions, individual- and team races:

K1W Junior , K1W U23
K1M Junior, K1M U23
C1W Junior, C1W U23
C1M Junior, C1M U23
C2W Junior, C2W U23
C2M Junior, C2M U23

The Federations may enter up to 4 boats per category in the individual races and 1 team per race and category.

CLASSES:

ICF World Junior Championships and ICF World under 23 Championships in all categories.

Year of birth: Juniors: 1999 – 2002, Under 23: 1994 – 1998 (2002)

ENTRIES:

Numerical and nominal entries need to enter via the ICF software SDP <https://icf.msl.es/icf/main.jsp>

Log with your NF login (provided by ICF) and go to «Online Entries».

STEP 1 : Online Entries / You just need to complete all athletes.

STEP 2 : Pre-accreditations / You just need to complete all your staff members.

Numerical entries deadline: 28.06.2017

Nominal entries deadline: 12.07.2017

ACCREDITATION FEE:

The participation fee of 40 euro will be charged for each athlete and for one team official of each country.

PROGRAM:

Monday, July 24th

Afternoon: Teamleadersmeeting in Murau

Whole day: Training for classic and sprint

Tuesday, July 25th

Morning: Boat measuring and equipment control

Whole day: Training for classic and sprint

Evening: Opening-Ceremony in Murau

Wednesday, July 26th

Morning, Afternoon: Classic individual races

Whole day: Training for sprint Murau

Thursday, July 27th

Afternoon: Classic team races

Whole day: Training for sprint

After the races: price giving ceremony in Predlitz

Evening: Team Leaders Meeting in Murau

Friday, July 28th

Morning: Sprint individual races qualification runs

Afternoon: Sprint individual races qualification runs

Evening: Dinner for team leaders and officials

Saturday, July 29th

Morning: Sprint team races

Afternoon: Sprint individual races finals

Evening: Price giving ceremony in Murau and closing ceremony

Night: Party for competitors, coaches, officials and friends

TRAINING:

Training is possible at any time of the year. As no dam is upstream, we cannot guarantee that the level of water on the racing course is always comparable to the level of water during the competition. Highest level is mostly in may during snow-smelting, in July water level is most of the time very low.

COMPETITION RULES:

The ICF Wildwater Canoeing Competition Rules

SPORT EQUIPMENT:

All the sport equipment must be safe and must follow the ICF rules. See rule number 18. Wildwater Canoeing Rules. All boats must be unsinkable.

Buoyancy jacket must be EN ISO 12402-5 approved or any national standard that meets the same requirements. The safety helmets must comply with EN 1385. All paddlers must wear shoes on their feet.

WILDWATER RESCUE TEAMS:

Wildwater rescuing will be guaranteed during the competitions along the

course, not during training times.

MEDICAL CARE:

A medical van with medical technicians will operate at the venue with first aid in attendance at all times during competitions.

INSURANCE:

All official participants of the championships are strongly advised to apply for medical insurance in their respective countries. All participants compete at their own risk.

VISA:

All participants are kindly requested to contact the Austrian Embassy or Consulate in their respective countries as to the relevant visa requirements. When you will need a special invitation letter to get visas, please contact the organizer or the Austrian Canoe Federation at least 60 days prior to the competition.

FOR OVERSEA TEAMS:

If teams come to Europe by aero plan, the nearest airports are:

Vienna (international):	3,0 hours from airport to Murau by rental car
Graz (national):	2,0 hours from airport to Murau by rental car
Salzburg (national):	2,0 hours from airport to Murau by rental car
Klagenfurt (national):	1,5 hours from airport to Murau by rental car

Bratislava (Slovakia):	4,0 hours from airport to Murau by rental car
Ljubljana (Slovenia):	2,5 hours from airport to Murau by rental car

ACCOMMODATION:

Please contact Murau tourist office
www.murau-kreischberg.at
tourismus@murau.at

HOME PAGE:

Our website is in the works and will start in April 2017 with more detail information.

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