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I. KEY INFORMATION

- ICF Canoe Slalom results and ranking:

<http://www.canoeicf.com/canoe-slalom-results-and-rankings>

- ICF Canoe Slalom competition information:

<http://www.canoeicf.com/canoe-slalom-race-information>

- 2019 ICF Competition websites (Level 1 and Level 2):

<http://www.canoeicf.com/results-pages/icf-canoe-slalom-events>

- WhatsApp Groups for 2019 season:

Name	Event Location	WhatsApp Group
2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CUP 1	LEE VALLEY	http://bit.ly/2019ICFWC1-LEEVALLEY
2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CUP 2	BRATISLAVA	http://bit.ly/2019ICFWC2-BRATISLAVA
2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CUP 3	TACEN	http://bit.ly/2019ICFWC3-TACEN
2019 ICF JUNIOR & U23 CANOE SLALOM WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS	KRAKOW	http://bit.ly/2019ICFWCH-KRAKOW
2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CUP 4	MARKKLEEBERG	http://bit.ly/2019ICFWC4-MARKKLEEBERG
2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CUP FINAL	PRAGUE	http://bit.ly/2019ICFWC5-PRAGUE
2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS	LA SEU D URGELL	http://bit.ly/2019ICFWCH-SEO

II. 2019 ICF COMPETITION CALENDAR – LEVEL 1 AND LEVEL 2

A. ICF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS, LA SEU D'URGELL, ESP

	Start	Finish
1 st training period	4 June – afternoon	9 June – Morning
2 nd training period	12 September	16 September
Official training period	18 September	24 September
Championships period	25 September	29 September
Main deadlines		
Booking for 1 st training period		4 May
Booking for 2 nd training period		9 August
Numerical entries		9 August
Nominal entries		15 September

Booking of training periods will be made on the ICF online platform SDP.

B. ICF JUNIOR & U23 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS, KRAKOW, POL

	Start	Finish
Official training period	10 July	15 July
Championships period	16 July	21 July
Main deadlines		
Numerical entries		1 June
Nominal entries		6 July

C. ICF EXTREME CANOE SLALOM WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS, PRAGUE, CZE

See ICF World Cup 5 – Prague, CZE

D. Olympic Games, Test Event, Tokyo, JPN

	Start	Finish
Elimination Competition	18 October	20 October
Test event	25 October	27 October

Full information package will be distributed in January 2019 (entries, quota allocation, progression...)

E. 2019 ICF WORLD CUP SERIES

1. World Cup 1 – Lee Valley, GBR

	Start	Finish
Official training period	10 June	13 June
Championships period	14 June	16 June
Main deadlines		
Nominal entries	4 June	

2. World Cup 2 – Bratislava, SVK

	Start	Finish
Official training period	17 June	20 June
Championships period	21 June	23 June
Main deadlines		
Nominal entries	11 June	

3. World Cup 3 – Tacen, Ljubljana, SLO

	Start	Finish
Official training period	24 June	27 June
Championships period	28 June	30 June
Main deadlines		
Nominal entries	18 June	

4. World Cup 4 - Markkleeberg, SLO

	Start	Finish
Official training period	26 August	29 August
Championships period	30 August	1 September
Main deadlines		
Nominal entries	20 August	

5. World Cup 5 (FINAL) – Prague, CZE

	Start	Finish
Official training period	2 September	5 September
Championships period	6 September	8 September
Main deadlines		
Nominal entries	27 August	

III. 2019 ICF RANKING COMPETITION CALENDAR

	Name	Country	Event Location	Type of Event	Start	End	Nominal Entries Deadline	
1	2018 PAN AM CANOE SLALOM CHAMPIONSHIPS	BRAZIL	TRES COROAS	CONTINENTAL CH.	19.10.2018	21.10.2018		
2	2019 NEW ZEALAND CANOE SLALOM OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS	NEW ZEALAND	VECTOR WERO PARK AUCKLAND	RANKING RACE	26.01.2019	28.01.2019	16.01.2019	
3	2019 AUSTRALIAN CANOE SLALOM OPEN	AUSTRALIA	PENRITH	RANKING RACE	15.02.2019	17.02.2019	05.02.2019	
4	2019 OCEANIA CANOE SLALOM CHAMPIONSHIPS	AUSTRALIA	PENRITH	CONTINENTAL CH.	22.02.2019	24.02.2019	12.02.2019	
5	2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM RANKING BASEL HUNINGUE	SWITZERLAND	BASEL - HUNINGUE	RANKING RACE	16.03.2019	17.03.2019	06.03.2019	
X	2019 RIO CANOE SLALOM OPEN	CANCELLED						
X	2019 FOZ CANOE SLALOM OPEN							
6	2019 CANOE SLALOM RANKING RACE SOLKAN	SLOVENIA	SOLKAN	RANKING RACE	29.03.2019	30.03.2019	19.03.2019	
7	2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM RANKING MARKKLEEBERG	GERMANY	MARKKLEEBERG	RANKING RACE	05.04.2019	07.04.2019	26.03.2019	
8	2019 PYRENEES CANOE SLALOM CUP 1	FRANCE	PAU	RANKING RACE	06.04.2019	07.04.2019	27.03.2019	
9	2019 PYRENEES CANOE SLALOM CUP 2	SPAIN	LA SEU D URGELL	RANKING RACE	13.04.2019	14.04.2019	03.04.2019	
10	2019 CANOE SLALOM RANKING RACE TACEN	SLOVENIA	LJUBLJANA-TACEN	RANKING RACE	27.04.2019	28.04.2019	17.04.2019	
11	71ST INTERNATIONAL TATRA CANOE SLALOM	SLOVAKIA	LIPTOVSKY MIKULAS	RANKING RACE	11.05.2019	12.05.2019	01.05.2019	
2019 ICF Ranking Release #1					15.05.2019			
12	2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD RANKING MERANO	ITALY	MERANO	RANKING RACE	08.06.2019	09.06.2019	29.05.2019	
13	2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CUP 1	UNITED KINGDOM	LEE VALLEY	WORLD CUP	14.06.2019	16.06.2019	04.06.2019	
14	2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CUP 2	SLOVAKIA	BRATISLAVA	WORLD CUP	21.06.2019	23.06.2019	11.06.2019	
15	2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CUP 3	SLOVENIA	TACEN	WORLD CUP	28.06.2019	30.06.2019	18.06.2019	
2019 ICF Ranking Release #2					03.07.2019			
16	2019 ICF JUNIOR & U23 CANOE SLALOM WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS	POLAND	KRAKOW	WORLD CH.	16.07.2019	21.07.2019	06.07.2019	
17	2019 CANOE SLALOM WORLD RANKING RACE	CZECH REPUBLIC	PRAGUE	RANKING RACE	03.08.2019	04.08.2019	24.07.2019	
18	2019 CANOE SLALOM RANKING RACE - BRATISLAVA	SLOVAKIA	BRATISLAVA-CUNOVO	RANKING RACE	10.08.2019	11.08.2019	31.07.2019	
19	2019 CANOE SLALOM DANUBE CUP - VIENNA	AUSTRIA	VIENNA	RANKING RACE	17.08.2019	18.08.2019	07.08.2019	
20	2019 CANADA CANOE SLALOM OPEN	CANADA	SALABERRY DE VALLEYFIELD	RANKING RACE	16.08.2019	18.08.2019	06.08.2019	
21	2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CUP 4	GERMANY	MARKKLEEBERG	WORLD CUP	30.08.2019	01.09.2019	20.08.2019	
22	2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CUP FINAL	CZECH REPUBLIC	PRAGUE	WORLD CUP	06.09.2019	08.09.2019	27.08.2019	
2019 ICF Ranking Release #3					11.09.2019			
23	2019 ICF CANOE SLALOM WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS	SPAIN	LA SEU D URGELL	WORLD CH.	25.09.2019	29.09.2019	15.09.2019	
2019 ICF Ranking Release #4 (FINAL)					02.10.2019			

IV. 2019 ICF RANKING COMPETITION INFORMATION

A. Entries for level 3 competition

The entries are open without limitation of the number of boats per event and per federation. However, The Host National Federation can limit the number of boats per event per Federation with no less than 6 boats per event.

This rule means that:

- Each participating boat will gain International Ranking points.
- National Federations must do all of the entries through the ICF online entries system (SDP).

For 2019, ICF Canoe Slalom Committee limits each nation to hosting no more than two International ranking races (level 3) in any year.

B. ICF Points Calculation

See appendix 1

C. ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking List

The ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking List is established by taking the average of the best 5 ICF Ranking Points achieved by any competitor participating in the ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking Series of events.

Events included in the calculation of the ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking span a two-year period. Therefore, all races in the two-year period directly before the relevant release date are considered and the best 5 counted for each Athletes ranking.

Athletes having 5 or more results, whilst still averaging the best 5 results, are ranked above all Athletes having only 4 results; those with only 4 results are ranked above those with 3 results. Athletes with 3 results are ranked above Athletes with 2 results and Athletes with 1 result are ranked at the bottom of the list.

V. 2019 ICF COMPETITION – PROGRESSION SYSTEM

For the 2019 Racing Season the ICF Canoe Slalom Technical Committee has determined the progression to the semi final and final for World Championships, all World Cups and ICF Ranking races will be as follows.

Event	To the Semi final from Heats 1 st run score	To the Semi final from Heats 2 nd run score	To the Final
MK1	30	10	10
WK1	20	10	10
MC1	20	10	10
WC1	20	10	10
XC2	15	5	10

There is no change to the progressions from the 2018 season.

For World Championships and the World Cups, the progression is amended as follow in the case of low participation:

Start field	Progression
MK1 – less than 41 WK1 – less than 31 MC1 – less than 31 WC1 – less than 31 XC2 – less than 21	No heats All Athletes direct to semi final 10 progress to final from semi final
All events - less than 11	No heats and no semi final Direct final

VI. NATION RANKING ON 1ST OCTOBER 2018

A. Nation ranking system

For all events, the nation ranking is established as follow:

- From the 2018 ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking (4th - final release) the first Federation who has 3 boats ranked in the highest position receives the Nation rank position N°1, the second Federation who has 3 boats ranked is second and so forth until "X" Federations are ranked.
- All remaining federations are ranked on the base of the 2018 ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking (4th - final release) of their 1st boat ranked.
- The "X" figure is defined as follow:

Event	MK1	WK1	MC1	WC1	XC2
"X"	23	16	16	16	4

B. Men Kayak – MK1

RANK	NATION	RANK	NATION	RANK	NATION
1	CZE	22	CAN	43	LTU
2	GER	23	BEL	44	VEN
3	POL	24	UKR	45	NOR
4	ESP	25	CHN	46	SRB
5	FRA	26	KAZ	47	MEX
6	SLO	27	HUN	48	NGR
7	ITA	28	MAR	49	TOG
8	AUS	29	CRO	50	FIJ
9	SVK	30	LAT	51	SGP
10	GBR	31	NED	52	MAS
11	AUT	32	TUR	53	EST
12	NZL	33	CHI	54	IRI
13	JPN	34	THA	55	SEN
14	SUI	35	NEP	56	COL
15	SWE	36	CRC	57	KOR
16	BRA	37	IND	58	COD
17	ARG	38	TPE	59	HKG
18	RUS	39	UZB	60	BIH
19	USA	40	GRE	61	ECU
20	POR	41	MKD	62	BLR
21	IRL	42	KGZ	63	PER

C. Women Kayak – WK1

RANK	NATION	RANK	NATION	RANK	NATION
1	AUT	18	RUS	35	CRO
2	GBR	19	UKR	36	IND
3	GER	20	CHN	37	TPE
4	AUS	21	AND	38	NOR
5	FRA	22	SWE	39	CHI
6	CZE	23	SUI	40	MAS
7	SVK	24	KAZ	41	BLR
8	ESP	25	ARG	42	COK
9	SLO	26	IRL	43	SGP
10	ITA	27	TUR	44	MAC
11	POL	28	THA	45	BEL
12	NED	29	MEX	46	LTU
13	JPN	30	HUN	47	COL
14	USA	31	IRI	48	PER
15	NZL	32	MAR	49	KGZ
16	CAN	33	SRB	50	PAR
17	BRA	34	FIN		

D. Men Canoe – MC1

RANK	NATION	RANK	NATION	RANK	NATION
1	SVK	19	SUI	37	LAT
2	GBR	20	NOR	38	SWE
3	SLO	21	CRO	39	TUR
4	FRA	22	SEN	40	TPE
5	CZE	23	ARG	41	IRI
6	ITA	24	KAZ	42	RSA
7	GER	25	BEL	43	BLR
8	ESP	26	HUN	44	COD
9	AUS	27	NED	45	LIB
10	POL	28	MAR	46	COL
11	RUS	29	UKR	47	CRC
12	CHN	30	POR	48	NEP
13	BRA	31	THA	49	MAS
14	IRL	32	IND	50	SGP
15	NZL	33	VEN	51	VIE
16	CAN	34	UZB	52	AUT
17	USA	35	MRI	53	LTU
18	JPN	36	GRE	54	CHI

E. Women Canoe – WC1

RANK	NATION	RANK	NATION	RANK	NATION
1	AUS	13	CHN	25	TPE
2	FRA	14	BRA	26	THA
3	ESP	15	POL	27	TUR
4	SVK	16	USA	28	KAZ
5	RUS	17	AUT	29	PAR
6	GBR	18	AND	30	CRO
7	CZE	19	UKR	31	IND
8	GER	20	CAN	32	UZB
9	SLO	21	NED	33	IRI
10	ITA	22	ARG	34	GRE
11	JPN	23	IRL	35	CHI
12	NZL	24	SUI	36	SGP

F. Mixed Canoe Double – XC2

RANK	NATION	RANK	NATION	RANK	NATION
1	CZE	7	CAN	13	BLR
2	CHN	8	ESP	14	KAZ
3	GER	9	ITA	15	GRE
4	SVK	10	BRA	16	USA
5	FRA	11	RUS	17	IND
6	POL	12	SWE	18	UKR

VII. CANOE SLALOM & EXTREME CANOE SLALOM – NUMBER OF BOATS PER FEDERATION PER EVENT

Competition	Canoe Slalom	Extreme Canoe Slalom
Level 1	Up to three boats per National Federation per event.	Up to two boats per National Federation per event.
Level 2		
Level 3	See item III	The organiser can set the number of entries per National Federation and per event.
Level 4	The organiser can set the number of entries per National Federation and per event.	

VIII. 2019 WORLD CUP STANDINGS POINT ALLOCATION

A. Canoe Slalom

- There is no change to the points allocation from the 2018 season.
- The World Cup Final will attract double points.
- An Athlete will be awarded zero (0) points for any race in the 2019 World Cup Series in which they do not compete.
- See point allocation table below.

B. Extreme Canoe Slalom

- There is an Extreme Canoe Slalom world standing in MCSLX and WCLSX.
- The World Championships will attract double points.
- An Athlete will be awarded zero (0) points for any race in the 2019 World Cup Series in which they do not compete.
- See point allocation table below.

C. Canoe slalom – point allocation table

Rank	K1M	K1W	C1M	C1W	C2Mx
1	60	60	60	60	60
2	55	55	55	55	55
3	50	50	50	50	50
4	44	46	46	46	45
5	43	44	44	44	42
6	42	42	42	42	39
7	41	40	40	40	36
8	40	38	38	38	33
9	39	36	36	36	30
10	38	34	34	34	27
11	34	32	32	32	23
12	33	31	31	31	21
13	32	30	30	30	19
14	31	29	29	29	17
15	30	28	28	28	15
16	29	27	27	27	13
17	28	26	26	26	11
18	27	25	25	25	9
19	26	24	24	24	7
20	25	23	23	23	5
21	24	22	22	22	2
22	23	21	21	21	2
23	22	19	19	19	2
24	21	17	17	17	2
25	20	15	15	15	2
26	19	13	13	13	2
27	18	11	11	11	2
28	17	9	9	9	2
29	16	7	7	7	2
30	15	5	5	5	2
31	14	2	2	2	2
32	13	2	2	2	2
33	12	2	2	2	2
34	11	2	2	2	2
35	10	2	2	2	2
36	9	2	2	2	2
37	8	2	2	2	2
38	7	2	2	2	2
39	6	2	2	2	2
40	5	2	2	2	2
41	2	2	2	2	2

D. Extreme Canoe Slalom – point allocation table

WORLD CUP			WORLD CHAMPIONSIPS			
Rank	Points	Last phase achieved	Rank	Points	Last phase achieved	
1	60	Final	1	120	Final	
2	55		2	110		
3	50		3	100		
4	45		4	90		
5	40	Semi finals	5	80	Semi finals	
6	35		6	70		
7	30		7	60		
8	25		8	50		
9	19	Quarterfinals	9	38	Quarterfinals	
10	17		10	34		
11	15		11	30		
12	13		12	26		
13	11		13	22		
14	9		14	18		
15	7		15	14		
16	5		16	10		
17	2	Time Trials	17	8	Heats	
18	2		18	8		
19	2		19	8		
20	2		20	8		
21	2		21	8		
22	2		22	8		
23	2		23	8		
24	2		24	8		
25	2		25	8		
26	2		26	8		
27	2		27	8		
28	2		28	8		
29	2		29	8		
30	2		30	8		
31	2		31	8		
32	2		32	8		
33	2		33	4		Time Trials
34	2		34	4		
35	2	35	4			
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APPENDIX 1 – ICF POINTS CALCULATION

A. Principle

ICF points are calculated separately for each phase (Heats, Semi final or Final) in which a boat participates. The lowest point value out of those 3 is the ICF points earned by the boat for that race.

B. General Formula for Race Points

$$\text{IcfPoints} = \text{PhaseOffset} + \frac{\text{PhaseFactor} \times \text{Score}}{\text{ScoreLeader}} - \text{PhaseFactor} + \text{QualityFactor}$$

- **Phase Offset**

Phase	PhaseOffset
Final	0
Semi final	10
Heats	20

- **Quality Factor**

- ICF competition Level 1 and Level 2

For ICF CSL World Cups, World Championships and Olympic Games the Quality Factor is “0”

- ICF competition Level 3

The “Quality Factor” is calculated by identifying the five (5) competing Athletes who are ranked highest on the ICF CSL Ranking list. The ICF Ranking points for these Athletes are averaged and this becomes the “QualityFactor” for that event.

Any entered boat who receives a DNS in both Heats runs will not be considered in the Quality Factor calculation.

- **Score:** results of the boat in seconds
- **ScoreLeader:** results of the fastest boat in that phase in seconds

C. Sample Calculation of IcfPoints

1. Example 1

- Competition phase → Final, therefore **Phase Offset = 0**,
- **PhaseFactor** = 150
- Competition is a World Championships, therefore **Quality Factor = 0**
- Boat 1 score = 89.60 seconds
- Boat 2 score = 90.82 seconds
- Boat 3 score = 141.91 seconds

*Points for Boat 1 (winner of finals) = $0 + ((150 * 89.6) / 89.6) - 150 + 0 = 0.00$ race points*

*Points for Boat 2 = $0 + ((150 * 90.82) / 89.6) - 150 + 0 = 2.042 = 2.04$ race points*

*Points for Boat 3 = $0 + ((150 * 141.91) / 89.6) - 150 + 0 = 87.572 = 87.57$ race points*

2. Example 2

- Competition phase = Semi Finals therefore phase offset = 10,
- **PhaseFactor** = 150
- Competition is a World Cup, therefore **QualityFactor** = 0
- Boat 1 score = 101.76 seconds
- Boat 2 score = 100.86 seconds
- Boat 3 score = 103.19 seconds,

*Points for Boat 1 = $10 + ((150 * 101.76) / 100.86) - 150 = 12.8256 = 12.83$*

*Points for Boat 2 (winner of the semi final) = $10 + ((150 * 100.86) / 100.86) - 150 = 10$*

*Points for Boat 3 = $10 + ((150 * 103.19) / 100.86) - 150 = 13.4561 = 13.46$*

For Boat 3 the semi final ranking points are better than ranking points they score in the finals phase due to a "50" second penalty received in the Finals, their semi final points would be used as their ranking points for this race.

The calculation of ranking points for the heats phase would follow the same formula as above using 20 as the Phase Offset.

D. Calculation of Points for Female Athletes during Pregnancy.

The points for an Athlete who becomes pregnant will be frozen at the value of the first release date following the time they cease competition. The Athletes points will remain at this value for the next 24-month period (8 ICF Ranking releases) and they will retain the ICF Ranking relevant to this point value.

The Athletes Federation must write to the ICF Secretary General and the Chair of the Canoe Slalom Committee to advise that their Athlete will not be competing due to pregnancy, what date they expect to cease competition and that they wish their ICF Ranking points to be frozen for up to a 24 month period. They must also provide a medical certificate confirming the pregnancy.

If the Athlete returns to competition within 24 months they will earn points and be newly ranked. Their new post pregnancy races will be used in the calculation of their ICF Ranking. In the first instance the points earned at their first post pregnancy race will be combined with the best 4 of their pre pregnancy races to produce a new ranking. Then the two new races plus their best 3 pre-pregnancy points etc. Once they have competed in 5 races post pregnancy their ranking will be calculated on these 5 races and all the points from the pre pregnancy races will be removed.

In all cases, 12 months (4 ICF Ranking releases) after the Athlete has recommenced competition all the points earned prior to the pregnancy will no longer be counted and will be removed. The ranking will be calculated on any points earned since returning to competition and the Athlete will be ranked accordingly.

If after 24 months (8 ICF Ranking releases) the Athlete does not return to competition the points earned from pre pregnancy races will be deleted and the Athlete will be removed from the ranking list at the next release date.