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Thomas Konietzko



Dear friends,

It is a great pleasure to welcome you all to the wonderful city of Chengdu for The World Games 2025.

Chengdu is not only known for its rich culture and warm hospitality, but also for its growing reputation as a city of sport.

We are truly grateful to the Organising Committee, all the sponsors, and the many volunteers whose dedication has made this event possible.

Your hard work and commitment are the foundation of what will surely be a successful and memorable edition of the Games.

Canoeing has long been a proud part of The World Games family and from this edition, we are taking a significant step forward. In addition to Canoe Marathon and Canoe Polo, we are very pleased that Dragon Boat is now included as an official discipline in the sports programme.

For the first time, three ICF disciplines will be featured at a single edition of The World Games, showcasing the beauty of our sport to audiences around the world like never before.

A total of 312 paddlers from across the globe will compete for 12 titles. We look forward to exciting performances, fair competition, and above all, a celebration of our global paddling community.

I wish all athletes and teams the very best of luck. May your time in Chengdu be filled with success, friendship, and unforgettable moments both on and off the water.

Warm regards,

International Canoe Federation President
Thomas Konietzko

José Perurena



Dear IF representatives,

Dear Partners,

Dear Friends of The World Games,

It is with great pleasure and immense pride that I welcome you to The World Games 2025 in Chengdu, China. This spectacular city, known for its rich cultural heritage and dynamic spirit, is the perfect stage for the celebration of sports, unity, and the relentless pursuit of excellence that define our event, The World Games.

We are not just getting ready to participate in a multi-sport event; we are set to partake in a global festival of athleticism and camaraderie. The World Games have always been a platform for showcasing not only the extraordinary talents of athletes from around the world but also the values of fair play, respect, gender equity and international friendship. These will serve as a reminder that despite our diverse backgrounds, we are united by our shared passion for sport and our collective aspiration for a better, more connected world.

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the city of Chengdu, the Local Organising Committee, our sponsors, and countless volunteers whose dedication and hard work will make this event possible. Their commitment to excellence and hospitality will ensure that every participant and spectator have an unforgettable experience.

To the IF representatives and officials, thank you for your unwavering support and guidance. Your expertise and dedication are crucial to the success of our athletes and the smooth operation of this event.

Thank you for being a part of The World Games 2025. I wish all our stakeholders the very best in their preparations and we remain available to support you along the way.

Warm regards,

International World Games Association President

José Perurena



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What is Canoe Marathon?

Canoe Marathon is a paddling sport, raced on flatwater in which athletes paddle a kayak or canoe over a long distance to the finish line. During the race, athletes must tackle a series of portages where they must carry their boat over a section of land before returning to the water.

With courses created to be covered in laps with a number of portages (artificial or real), this format has developed to encourage a more spectator-friendly approach to the discipline.

Canoe Marathon is one of the three canoe disciplines featured at The World Games 2025, together with Dragon Boat and Canoe Polo. The discipline will be represented in two categories, both on kayak, in the short and long distance.

CANOE MARATHON



History

Competition in distance canoeing has a long history, with famous national races including the Sella Descent in Spain which was first held in 1929 and the Devizes to Westminster race in England that began in 1948. It was not until the 1960s that international competitions began to develop, and in 1975 the first steps were taken to have Canoe Marathon recognised by the ICF. It would be a further nine years until the ICF Congress in Sofia, Bulgaria, approved a separate committee for Canoe Marathon including the introduction of a World Championships.

Medal events at TWG 2025

- K1 Short Distance Women
- K1 Short Distance Men
- K1 Long Distance Women
- K1 Long Distance Men

Number of athletes/teams at TWG2025

- 20 in K1 Short Distance Women
- 20 in K1 Short Distance Men
- 20 in K1 Long Distance Women
- 20 in K1 Long Distance Men

Athletes participating in Canoe Marathon at TWG 2025

- Juan CACERES  , Joshua Frank KIPPIN  , Daan COX  , Shengkai DING  , Jakub ZAVREL  , Mads PEDERSEN  , Ivan ALONSO  , Jeremy CANDY  , James RUSSELL  , Nico PAUFLER  , Noe BALINT  , Paul DONNELLAN  , Andrea BIANCO  , Hiroki SHIMOYAWA  , Milan DEKKER  , Jon VOLD  , Igor WYSZKOWSKI  , Jose RAMALHO  , Hamish LOVEMORE  , Maksym REDKO 
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Format

Short Distance

- 20 competitors are split into two groups of 10 per heat.
- Five fastest competitors in each heat qualify for the finals.
- Additionally, the best five times of both heats qualify for the final.
- The best three paddlers in the finals will receive gold, silver, and bronze medals.

Major format changes since the previous TWG

At TWG 2013, Canoe Marathon took place as an invitational sport, thanks to the Host City in Cali, Colombia. Competitions were held in both boat classes - men's single canoe events as well as single and double kayak events for both genders were organised. In 2022, there were only kayak competitions, with women and men starting in individual events, over short and long distance.

Rundown of competition

In the short distance, all athletes line up at the start line and use a stationary start. In the long distance, all boats start at the same time. Athletes alternate paddling with their boat on water and portaging their boat on land.

The short distance will be 3.4km and will have two portages. The distance is composed of two small laps (1km) including two portages. The last lap is slightly shorter.

The long distance will be 21km and will have eight portages. The distance is composed of 10 big laps (2km) including eight portages (no portages in the first two laps), and a small lap (1km) at the end.

The boats have finished the race when their bows cross the finish line, with the athlete in the boat.

Long Distance

- There are no qualifying rounds for long distance. All competitors race in one event that is considered the final.
- The best three paddlers will receive gold, silver, and bronze medals.

Field of play

The water and racecourse are not subject to prescribed standards. It can be a combination of river, lake, estuary and sea. Red coloured buoys are placed in the water as obstacles to navigate around on the kayak. For The World Games, the following describe the course:

Short distance will be about 3.4km and will have two portages of 80m to 100m. Laps are approximately 1.2km in length, including two portages. The first portage is after about 1 km. Distances between the turns are approximately 500m.

Long distance will be about 21km and will have eight portages. Laps are approximately 2km in length, and portages are 60m long with pontoons in and out as well as a portage on a concrete path. At the end of the competition, a small lap of approximately 1km is added.



Penalties and disqualifications

Start; second warning 30 seconds penalty, third warning disqualification.
Missing a buoy = 15 seconds penalty.
Collison, with minor disadvantage 30 seconds, if given another paddler major disadvantage disqualification.

If an athlete is observed by an international official throwing a drink bag into the water, they will receive a 30 second penalty.
Time penalties must be executed in the penalty zone at the portage.
All penalties or disqualifications must be confirmed by the Competition Committee in writing immediately, given the reason.

Protests and appeals

Team Leaders or other NF representatives have the right to appeal to the Jury against a decision of the Competition Committee on behalf of their athletes.

The appeal in writing, must be handed to the Competition Committee for the attention of the Chair of the Jury, not later than 20 minutes after the Team Leader is called to attend the Competition Committee to receive the written disqualification.



Title holders in previous TWG

Birmingham USA 2022	Cali COL 2013
K1 Long Distance Men Andy BIRKETT (RSA) Mads PEDERSEN (DEN) Ivan ALONSO (ESP)	Double Men Team HUN Team CZE Team GER
K1 Long Distance Women Vanda KISZLI (HUN) Cathrine RASK (DEN) Eva BARRIOS (ESP)	Double Women Team HUN Team ITA Team FRA
K1 Short Distance Men Mads PEDERSEN (DEN) Nico PAUFLER (GER) Jose RAMALHO (POR)	Single Men Mate PETROVICS (HUN) Tamas KISS (HUN) Bartosz DUBIAK (POL)
K1 Short Distance Women Vanda KISZLI (HUN) Eva BARRIOS (ESP) Zsoka CSIKOS (HUN)	Single Women Renata KOLOZSVARINE CSAY (HUN) Vanda KISZLI (HUN) Anna ALBERTI (ITA)



What is Dragon Boat?

Dragon Boat is a race over a clearly defined unobstructed course in the shortest possible time. There are two classes that compete in this discipline, 10-seater and 8-seater referring to the number of paddlers in the boat.

Paddlers sit in twos side-by-side and use a single-bladed paddle. Both classes will also have a drummer and a steerer, with everybody in the boat paddling to the rhythm of the drum.

Dragon Boat was an invitational sport at The World Games 2005 in Duisburg, Germany and the 2009 edition in Kaohsiung, Chinese Taipei. For the first time, it will be an official medal event at The World Games 2025 in Chengdu.

DRAGON BOAT

History

Dragon Boat has ancient Chinese origins and dates back more than 2,500 years. The first participants were Chinese villagers who held races on the fifth day of the fifth lunar month of the Chinese calendar in the belief it would show worship to the dragon, a traditional symbol of water in Asia, and so encourage the rains needed for prosperity and to avert misfortune.

Dragon Boat took on further prominence following the death of great poet Qu Yuan in 278 BC. He committed suicide in the Miluo River protesting against corruption. Locals went in their fishing boats to try and save him and beat drums and splashed oars in the

water to keep fish away from his body. His death is marked by a Dragon Boat Festival (Duanwu Festival) each year.

Dragon boats are designed to resemble the classic dragon that had the head of an ox, antler of a deer, mane of a horse, body of a python, claws of a hawk, and fins and tail of a fish, so the bow is crafted as the head of a dragon with the stern as the tail, the hull painted with scales and the paddles symbolically representing the claws. Modern Dragon Boat is generally recognised as having its origins in the Hong Kong International Races, first held in 1976.

Medal events at TWG 2025

10-seater Mixed 200m	8-seater Open 200m
10-seater Mixed 500m	8-seater Open 500m
10-seater Mixed 2000m	8-seater Open 2000m

Number of athletes/teams at TWG 2025

12 teams: 72 men, 72 women

Teams participating in Dragon Boat at TWG 2025

Dragon Boat	10-seater 2000m	12	
	10-seater 200m	12	
	10-seater 500m	12	
	Open 8-seater 2000m	12	
	Open 8-seater 200m	12	
	Open 8-seater 500m	12	

The 2000m race is a pursuit race where the boats start one by one according to the boat numbers at intervals of 10 seconds between each other. The course is circular with movement direction “anticlockwise”. There should be two turning points: one (1) – in the finish line zone, and the other – in the 500m mark zone. The start and finish of the race should be in front of the finish tower.

Rundown of competitions

Each crew must arrive at least five minutes prior to the starting time in the range of vision and earshot of the Starter. On his/her instructions, the crew must bring the boat to the starting position. The starting command will be "Attention -Go" (or shot or a loud sound).

200m and 500m races

The division into heats should be made in accordance with the Dragon Boat competition rules which state that the division of boats into heats should be determined by drawing lots or by ICF World Ranking. In relation to the progression plan, the boats from each heat go forward to the next appropriate phase of the competition. The others are eliminated. The distribution of lanes for semi-finals and finals is automatically determined by the results of the previous races in accordance with the "Division System - Plan B, SF-B1".

Crews will line up at the start line in six lanes. If a crew for technical reasons is not ready for the start, the drummer must signal this by waving both arms with the drumming sticks. Beginning to paddle prior to the start command is considered to be a false start. In case of a false start, the Starter must immediately give a loud buzzer sound signal.

Once the start has commenced, the crews must keep in the centre of the lanes. The crew will be called twice and then finally be warned if a strong deviation from the course occurs. If the team does not correct the course after the final warning, the respective team may be disqualified by the Competition Committee after receiving the respective report by the Course Umpire. A crew must conduct and finish its race in the same lane in which it started. During the race the drummer must actively beat the drum.

2000m pursuit race

The starting order is as per the starting list. The division of the boats into heats should be determined by drawing lots or by the ICF World Ranking. The start number of the boat must be shown in a clearly visible place near the starting area. The boats start at 10 second intervals. If a boat does not start, its starting number will also be shown. The Starter has got to count down as per the normal sequence. The next boat must start after two x 10 seconds intervals. The Starter must speak in a loud voice the countdown and starts the boat all 10th seconds with a "GO" (or shot or loud sound). If the boat has already crossed the start line with 1% to 50% of its length at the moment of the "GO" command, the crew is penalised with 10 seconds additional time. If the boat has already crossed the start line with more than 50% of its length at the moment of the "GO" command, the crew is penalised with 30 seconds additional time. If the boat has already crossed the start line with more than 100% of its length at the moment of the "GO" command, the crew will be disqualified.

For all distances, the boat has finished the race when its dragonhead crosses the finish line with all crew members in it. The Finish Line Judges will determine the result of the competition based on the order of the boats arriving. The crossing of the finish line must be signalled by an acoustic signal. The correct race will be confirmed by the Course Umpires by raising a white flag. The incorrect race will be signalled by the red flag.

Format

Dragon Boats must be propelled solely by means of a single-bladed paddle and paddled in a sitting position.

For 200m and 500m races, the division of the boats into heats should be determined by drawing lots. Teams will be divided into heats and go through progression. The racecourse must be straight and in one direction. There must be at least six lanes.

Major rule changes since the previous TWG

The open crew can be composed of both male and female athletes.

Field of play

Both the start and finish lines must be marked with red flags and red buoys at the points where lines intersect the outer limits of the course.

The start and finish lines must be at right angles to the course. In the 200m and 500m races, the lanes must be marked with buoys or floats.

The distance between the buoys cannot be more than 25m.

The last buoys must be marked from number one (1) to six (6) and zero (0).

The numbering goes from the left to the right with the number placed on the buoy in such a way as to be clearly visible from the finish tower.

The numbered buoys (white cubes with black numbers on them) should be fixed no closer than 1m and no further than 2m behind the finish line. The numbered buoys must be clearly visible to the athletes and to be on the corresponding athlete's right-hand side as they pass it. There must be an automatic start machine or start pontoons with assistants to hold the boats. Alternatively, there may be cords fixed on starting pontoons for steerers to hold on before the start.

The steer has the duty to check in the marshalling area prior to the race the rudder-paddle and the helm of the boat. Any damage must be reported to the Chief Boat Marshal.

The athletes in each team must wear the same uniform.

Penalties and disqualifications

False start for 200m and 500m races: the Starter must identify the offending crew(s) making the false start and give them a warning. In case of a second false start by the same crew, the boat will be disqualified (DSQ) from the race and must leave the starting area and the course immediately.

False start for 2000m races: If the boat has already crossed the starting line with 1% to 50% of its length at the moment of the "GO" command, the crew is penalised with 10 seconds additional time. If the boat has already crossed the starting line with more than 50% of its length in the moment of the "GO" command, the crew is penalised with 30 seconds additional time. If the boat has already crossed the starting line with more than 100% of its length at the moment of the "GO" command, the crew will be disqualified.

Protests and appeals

A protest against the right of a crew to compete in a race must be addressed to the Chief Official and handed to the Competition Committee, no later than one hour before the start of the first race of the competition. A protest made during a competition must be in written form, addressed to the Chief Official and handed to the Competition Committee.

If the protest is against a decision of the Competition Committee, the protest must be received no later than 20 minutes after the decision has been published on the athletes' area noticeboard with the exact time of publication.

The Competition Committee must note the time that the decision has been published at athlete's area noticeboard on the written disqualification. All protests must be accompanied by a fee of 75 Euros (or an equal sum in the local currency). The fee will be refunded if the protest is upheld. 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 with the protest or report to read.

Team Leaders or other NF representatives have the right to appeal to the Jury against a decision of the Competition Committee on behalf of their athletes. The appeal must be handed to the Chair of the Jury in writing with reasons, no later than 20 minutes after the decision has been published on the athletes' area noticeboard with the exact time of publication. An appeal must be accompanied by a fee of 75 Euros (or an equal sum in the local currency). The fee will be refunded if the appeal is upheld. The appeal must be heard as soon as possible. Witnesses may be called. The decision of the Jury is final.



CANOE POLO

What is Canoe Polo?

Canoe Polo is a dynamic team sport contested on open water or in a swimming pool with two teams of five. It combines paddling and ball handling skills within a contact team game. The ball can be thrown by hand or flicked with the paddle to pass between players and shoot at the goal.

The aim of the teams is to score more goals than the opponent in order to win the game. Goals are scored by shooting the ball into the opponent's goal.

History

Canoe ball games have been played in Great Britain since the late 19th century and early forms of Canoe Polo were played in the United States and parts of Europe into the first half of the 20th century.

A national championships in Canoe Polo was first held in England in 1971, but it was not until 1986 that the ICF published its first set of universal playing rules for the discipline.

The following year Canoe Polo was demonstrated at the Canoe Sprint World Championships in Duisburg, Germany, and in 1990 the ICF finalised its international rules for Canoe Polo. The first Canoe Polo World Championships took place in Sheffield, England, in 1994, and consisted of 18 men's teams and six women's teams. Australia beat Germany in both the men's and women's finals. The event is held every two years and continues to grow.

Medal events at TWG 2025

Polo Team Women
Polo Team Men

Number of athletes/teams at TWG2025

8 in Polo Team Women
8 in Polo Team Men





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Men

Group A	Group B
Germany	France
Great Britain	Denmark
Italy	Spain
China	Poland

Canoe Polo

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Women

Group A	Group B
New Zealand	Italy
Iran	Netherlands
Germany	Spain
China	Denmark

Canoe Polo

Format

There will be two groups of four teams, with single round-robin games in both groups. All teams will qualify for crossed quarter-finals.

Losing quarter-finalists match-up in a consolation round. Winners of the consolation round compete for fifth position, losing teams compete for seventh. Winners of the quarter-finals qualify for the semi-finals. Losing semi-finalists compete for bronze. Winning semi-finalists compete for gold and silver.

Rundown of competition

Two halves of 10 minutes are played per game. At the beginning of each half, players from each team line up to start, stationary, with some part of their kayaks on their own goal line. Only one player per team sprints to the middle of the pitch to win possession of the ball.

Players are allowed to possess the ball for a maximum of five seconds before passing or shooting, or the team will lose ball possession. The ball can be controlled by hand or by paddle.

There are no traditional, fixed goalkeepers. The defending team positions one athlete under the goal and is considered as a goalkeeper. While contact is allowed elsewhere on the pitch during ball possession, goalkeepers can't be moved or pushed out of their position by any opposition player.

In case of a tie, five minutes of overtime are played consecutively until a team scores a goal. The first team to score a goal in an overtime period wins the game.

Field of play

Canoe Polo is played either indoors in swimming pools or outdoors on a pitch measuring 35m by 23m. The boundaries of the pitch are marked by floating ropes or, for smaller venues, pool edges.

The goals are located 2m above the water level on the end of each zone. The area approximately 6m in front of each goal can be defined as the zone in which defending players create formations to defend the goal from attackers. The field has marked areas for coaches and referees.

Each team has five players in-pitch and up to three substitutes behind the goal.



Penalties and disqualifications

Free shot after a goal
4m penalty for special fouls

A player receiving their first (green) or second (yellow) sanction card is excluded from the field of play and cannot be replaced for a maximum period of two minutes.

If a goal is scored by the opposition during a power play, the excluded player or a team-mate can return to the field of play and general play will resume with a centre restart.

A player receiving their third (red) sanction card is excluded from the field of play and cannot be replaced for two minutes.

Direct red card = out of match + next game. The Jury can decide additional sanctions.

Protests and appeals

The decision of a referee is final.
A team leader can use a protest template.
The decision of the Jury is final for this event.

Appearances in previous TWG

- 2022 Birmingham, USA
- 2017 Wroclaw, POL
- 2013 Cali, COL
- 2009 Kaohsiung, TPE
- 2005 Duisburg, GER

Title holders in previous TWG

Birmingham USA 2022

Team Men	Team Women
Team GER	Team FRA
Team FRA	Team GER
Team ESP	Team NZL

Wroclaw POL 2017

Team Men	Team Women
Team GER	Team GER
Team ITA	Team FRA
Team ESP	Team ITA

Cali COL 2013


Team Men	Team Women
Team GER	Team GER
Team FRA	Team GBR
Team ITA	Team FRA

Kaohsiung TPE 2009

Team Men	Team Women
Team FRA	Team GBR
Team NED	Team GER
Team AUS	Team FRA

Duisburg GER 2005

Team Men	Team Women
Team NED	Team GER
Team GER	Team GBR
Team GBR	Team JPN



COMPETITON SCHEDULE

Canoe Marathon and Dragon Boat races will be held on August 9 and 10 at the Xinglong Lake, with Canoe Polo taking place from August 13 to 16 at the Jianyang Cultural and Sports Center.

Canoe Marathon & Dragon Boat

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Date	Time	Race	Site	Venue
Morning	9:00	8-seater, Open 200M Heat 1	Competition Venue	Xinglong Lakeside Venue Center
	9:05	8-seater, Open 200M Heat 2		
	9:20	K1 Women Short Distance Heat 1		
	9:50	K1 Women Short Distance Heat 2		
	10:30	10-seater, Mixed 200M Heat 1		
	10:35	10-seater, Mixed 200M Heat 2		
	10:50	K1 Men Short Distance Heat 1		
	11:25	8-seater, Open 500M Heat 1		
	11:35	8-seater, Open 500M Heat 2		
	11:50	K1 Men Short Distance Heat 2		
	12:25	10-seater, Mixed 500M Heat 1		
	12:30	10-seater, Mixed 500M Heat 2		
Afternoon	14:00	8-seater, Open 200M Semi-final		
	14:30	10-seater, Mixed 200M Semi-final		
	15:00	8-seater, Open 500M Semi-final		
	15:30	10-seater, Mixed 500M Semi-final		
	16:30	8-seater, Open 2000M Final		
	17:00	K1 Women Short Distance Final		
	17:30	K1 Men Short Distance Final		
	18:05	Dragon Boat Open 8-seater 2000m Award Ceremony		
	18:15	K1 Short Distance Women Award Ceremony		
	18:20	K1 Short Distance Men Award Ceremony		

Canoe Marathon & Dragon Boat

2025/8/10

Date	Time	Race	Site	Venue
Morning	9:00	8-seater, Open 200M Final	Competition Venue	Xinglong Lakeside Venue Center
	9:30	10-seater, Mixed 200M Final		
	10:00	8-seater, Open 500M Final		
	10:30	10-seater, Mixed 500M Final		
	11:00	10-seater, Mixed 2000M Final		
	11:25	Dragon Boat Open 8-seater 200m Mixed Award Ceremony		
	11:35	Dragon Boat 10-seater 200m Mixed Award Ceremony		
	11:45	Dragon Boat Open 8-seater 500m Mixed Award Ceremony		
	11:55	Dragon Boat 10-seater 500m Mixed Award Ceremony		
	12:05	Dragon Boat 10-seater 2000m Mixed Award Ceremony		
Afternoon	15:15	K1 Women Long Distance Final		
	17:15	K1 Men Long Distance Final		
	19:00	K1 Women Long Distance Award Ceremony		
	19:05	K1 Men Long Distance Award Ceremony		

Start Time	Finish Time	Match	Venue	Gender
10:50	10:57	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP	Jianyang Cultural and Sports Center	W
11:00	11:30	Preliminary NZL-GER (Group A)		W
11:30	11:37	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
11:40	12:10	Preliminary IRI-CHN (Group A)		W
12:10	12:17	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
12:20	12:50	Preliminary ITA-ESP (Group B)		W
12:50	12:57	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
13:00	13:30	Preliminary NED-DEN (Group B)		W
13:30	13:37	Polo Team Men-Warmup FOP		M
13:40	14:10	Preliminary GER-ITA (Group A)		M
14:10	14:17	Polo Team Men-Warmup FOP		M
14:20	14:50	Preliminary GBR-CHN (Group A)		M
14:50	14:57	Polo Team Men-Warmup FOP		M
15:00	15:30	Preliminary FRA-ESP (Group B)		M
15:30	15:37	Polo Team Men-Warmup FOP		M
15:40	16:10	Preliminary DEN-POL (Group B)		M
17:50	17:57	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
18:00	18:30	Preliminary NZL-IRI (Group A)		W
18:30	18:37	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
18:40	19:10	Preliminary GER-CHN (Group A)		W
19:10	19:17	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
19:20	19:50	Preliminary ITA-NED (Group B)		W
19:50	19:57	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
20:00	20:30	Preliminary ESP-DEN (Group B)		W

Start Time	Finish Time	Match	Venue	Gender
10:50	10:57	Polo Team Men-Warmup FOP	Jianyang Cultural and Sports Center	M
11:00	11:30	Preliminary GER-GBR (Group A)		M
11:30	11:37	Polo Team Men-Warmup FOP		M
11:40	12:10	Preliminary ITA-CHN (Group A)		M
12:10	12:17	Polo Team Men-Warmup FOP		M
12:20	12:50	Preliminary FRA-DEN (Group B)		M
12:50	12:57	Polo Team Men-Warmup FOP		M
13:00	13:30	Preliminary ESP-POL (Group B)		M
13:30	13:37	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
13:40	14:10	Preliminary NZL-CHN (Group A)		W
14:10	14:17	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
14:20	14:50	Preliminary IRI-GER (Group A)		W
14:50	14:57	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
15:00	15:30	Preliminary ITA-DEN (Group B)		W
15:30	15:37	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
15:40	16:10	Preliminary NED-ESP (Group B)		W
17:50	17:57	Polo Team Men-Warmup FOP		M
18:00	18:30	Preliminary GER-CHN (Group A)		M
18:30	18:37	Polo Team Men-Warmup FOP		M
18:40	19:10	Preliminary GBR-ITA (Group A)		M
19:10	19:17	Polo Team Men-Warmup FOP		M
19:20	19:50	Preliminary FRA-POL (Group B)		M
19:50	19:57	Polo Team Men-Warmup FOP		M
20:00	20:30	Preliminary DEN-ESP (Group B)		M

Start Time	Finish Time	Match	Venue	Gender
10:50	10:57	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP	Jianyang Cultural and Sports Center	W
11:00	11:30	Quarterfinal A1-B4		W
11:30	11:37	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
11:40	12:10	Quarterfinal B1-A4		W
12:10	12:17	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
12:20	12:50	Quarterfinal A2-B3		W
12:50	12:57	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
13:00	13:30	Quarterfinal B2-A3		W
13:30	13:37	Polo Team Men-Warm-up FOP		M
13:40	14:10	Quarterfinal A1-B4		M
14:10	14:17	Polo Team Men-Warm-up FOP		M
14:20	14:50	Quarterfinal B1-A4		M
14:50	14:57	Polo Team Men-Warm-up FOP		M
15:00	15:30	Quarterfinal A2-B3		M
15:30	15:37	Polo Team Men-Warm-up FOP		M
15:40	16:10	Quarterfinal B2-A3		M
17:50	17:57	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
18:00	18:30	Consolation Loser Q1 V Q4		W
18:30	18:37	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
18:40	19:10	Consolation Loser Q2 V Q3		W
19:10	19:17	Polo Team Men-Warm-up FOP		M
19:20	19:50	Consolation Loser Q1 V Q4		M
19:50	19:57	Polo Team Men-Warm-up FOP		M
20:00	20:30	Consolation Loser Q2 V Q3 3		M

Start Time	Finish Time	Match	Venue	Gender
10:50	10:57	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP	Jianyang Cultural and Sports Center	W
11:00	11:30	Placement 7/8 place		W
11:30	11:37	Polo Team Men-Warm-up FOP		M
11:40	12:10	Placement 7/8 place		M
12:10	12:17	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
12:20	12:50	Semifinal Winner Q1 V Winner Q4		W
12:50	12:57	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
13:00	13:30	Semifinal Winner Q2 V Winner Q3		W
13:30	13:37	Polo Team Men-Warm-up FOP		M
13:40	14:10	Semifinal Winner Q1 V Winner Q4		M
14:10	14:17	Polo Team Men-Warm-up FOP		M
14:20	14:50	Semifinal Winner Q2 V Winner Q3		M
16:30	16:37	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
16:40	17:10	Placement 5/6 place		W
17:10	17:17	Polo Team Men-Warm-up FOP		M
17:20	17:50	Placement 5/6 place		M
17:50	17:57	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
18:00	18:30	Bronze Medal Match		W
18:30	18:37	Polo Team Men-Warm-up FOP		M
18:40	19:10	Bronze Medal Match		M
19:10	19:17	Polo Team Women-Warm-up FOP		W
19:20	19:50	Final		W
19:50	19:57	Polo Team Men-Warm-up FOP		M
20:00	20:30	Final		M
20:40	20:50	Award Ceremony for Team Women		W
20:50	21:00	Award Ceremony for Team Men		M

VENUE INFORMATION

The World Games 2025 in Chengdu will be held across eight venue clusters, comprising a total of 27 venues.

Opening Ceremony

Date: August 7

Venue: Tianfu Roof, Tianfu International Convention Center,
Sichuan Tianfu New Area.

Closing Ceremony

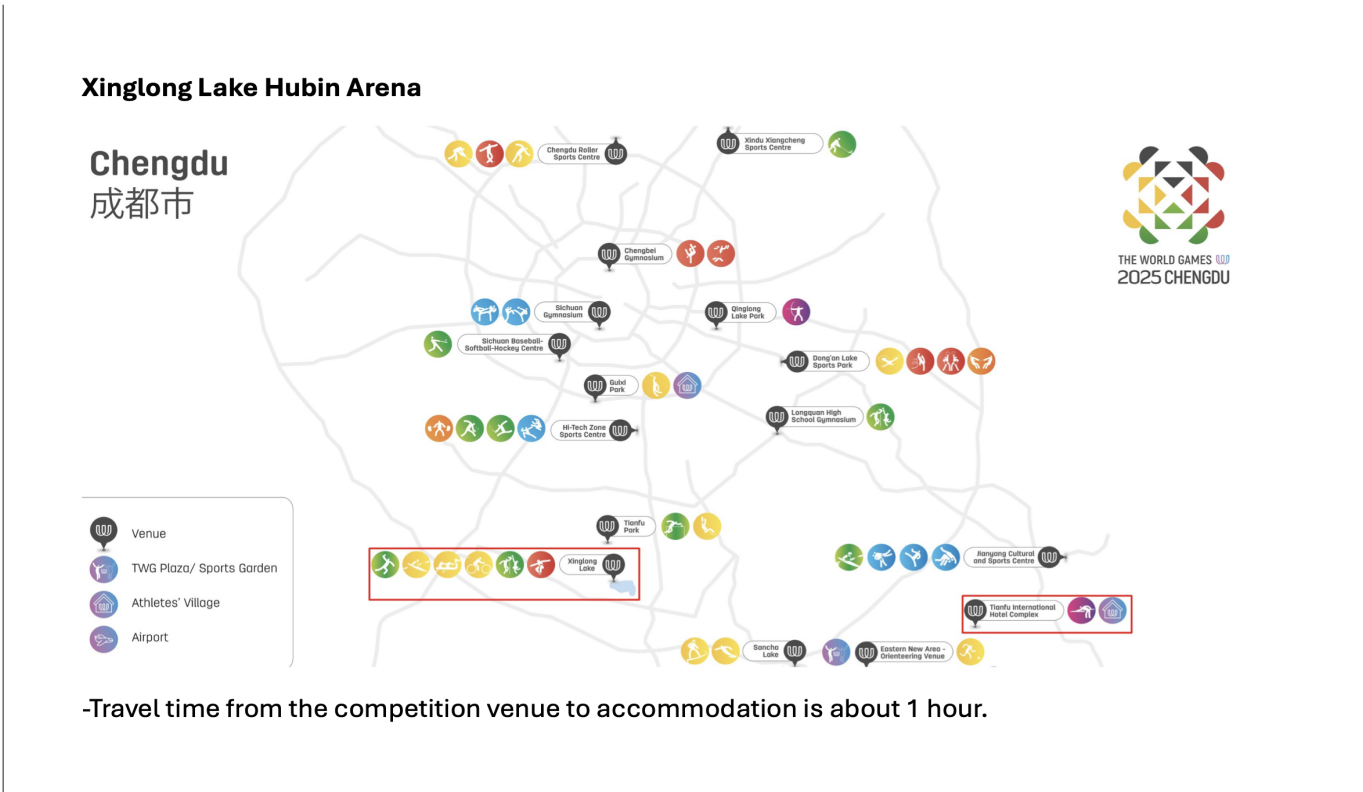
Date: August 17

Venue: Chengdu International Friendship Pavilion, Chengdu.

The Opening Ceremony of TWG 2025 Chengdu will commence at 20:00 at the “Tianfu Roof” of Tianfu International Convention Center in Sichuan Tianfu New Area. The ceremony is scheduled to last approximately 90 minutes.

The Closing Ceremony will be held at 20:00 at the Chengdu International Friendship Pavilion, Chengdu World Horticultural Expo Park, with an estimated duration of 60 minutes.

Xinglong Lakeside Venue Center

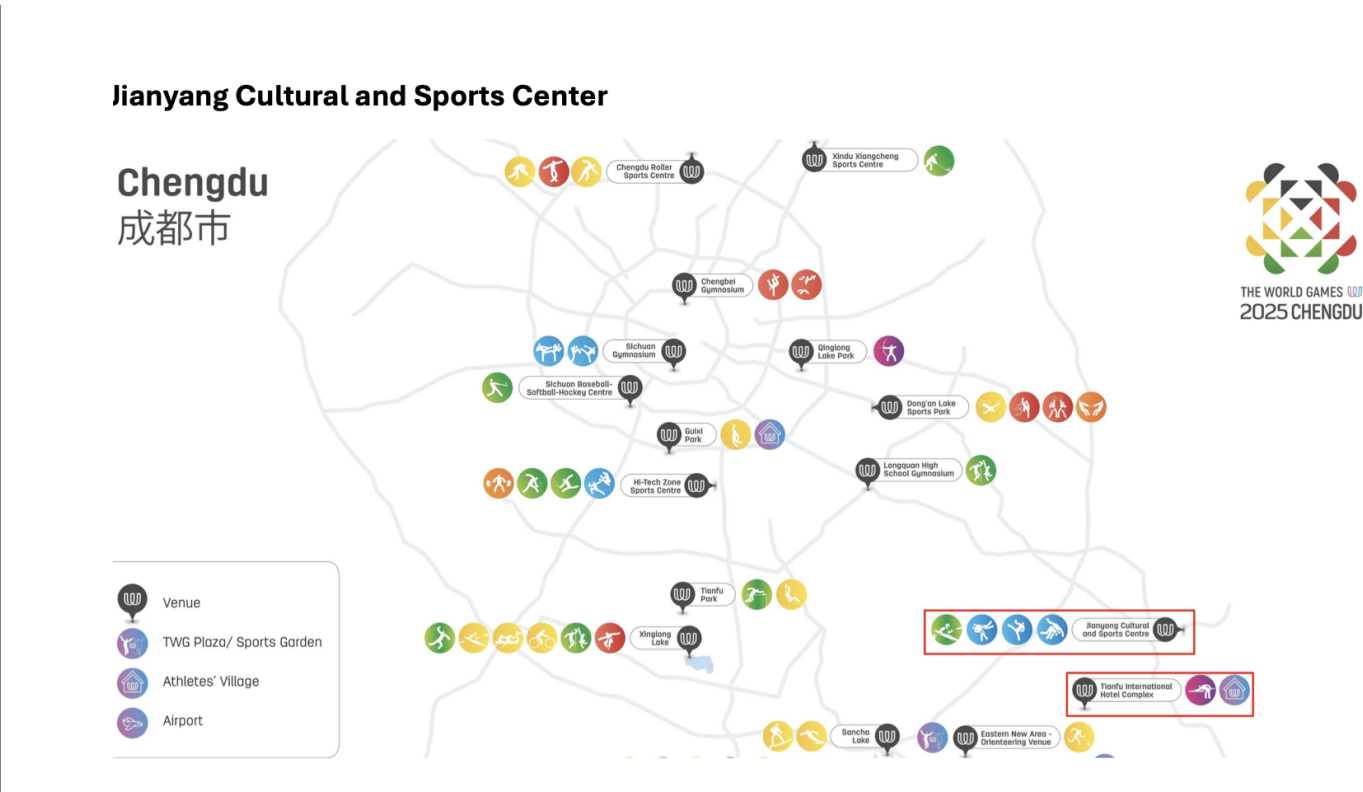


Located on the west bank of Xinglong Lake in Chengdu, the Xinglong Lakeside Venue Center will host Canoe Marathon and Dragon Boat races.

The competition area extends adjacent to the shoreline.



Jianyang Cultural and Sports Center



As a core venue of The World Games 2025, Canoe Polo matches will be held at the Jianyang Cultural and Sports Center. It covers an area of 40,000 square metres, with a multi-functional gymnasium, swimming pool, national fitness center and outdoor sports park. The swimming pool will host Canoe Polo games.

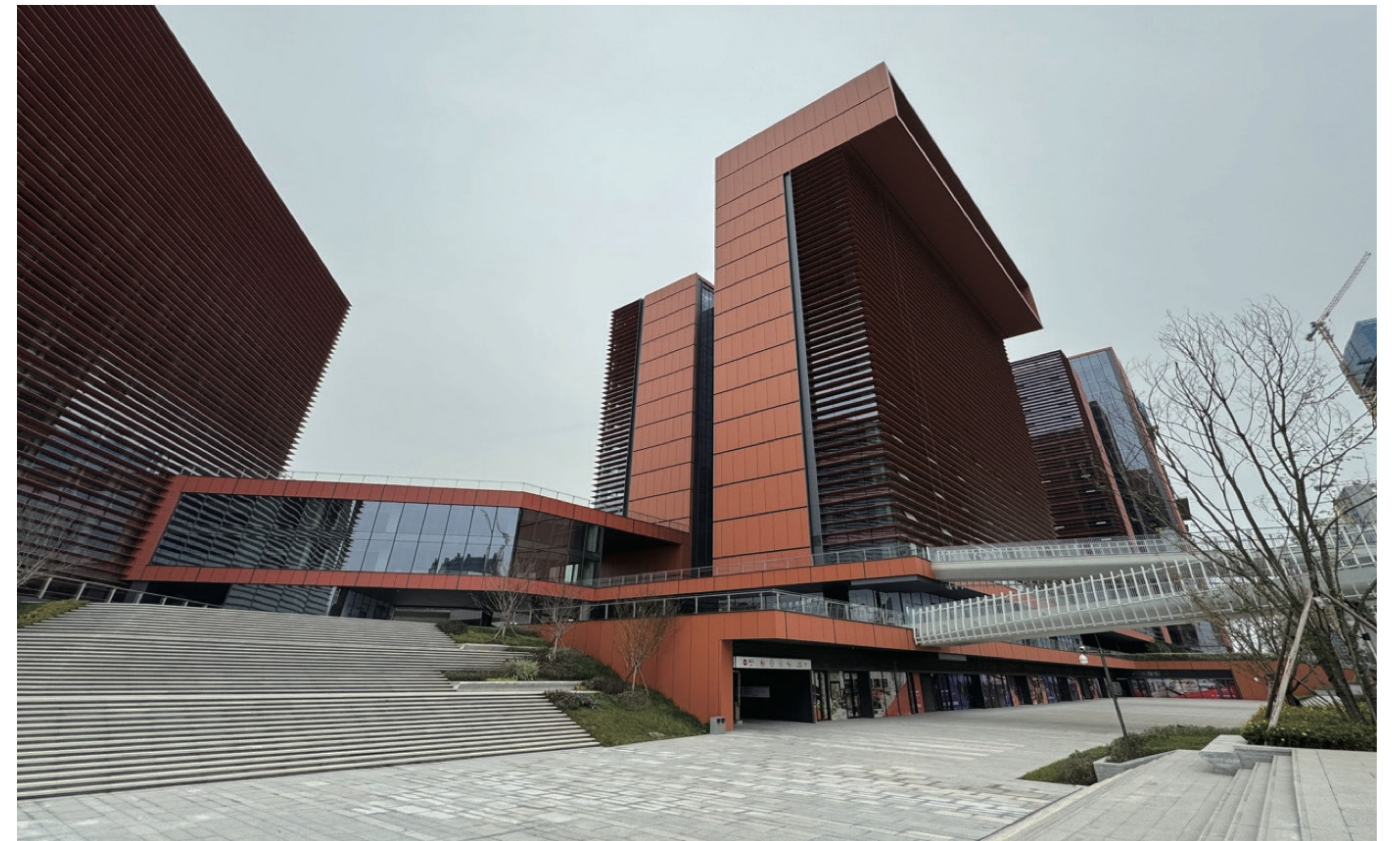


Main Media Center

The Main Media Center (MMC) is located in the West Financial Innovation Center Cluster in Chengdu Eastern New Area, and will provide accredited media with all kinds of facilities and services necessary for their coverage of TWG 2025 in Chengdu.

Outside the MMC, a dedicated media transportation hub will be established, connecting the Tianfu International Hotel Complex, the officially recommended hotel for media, and the media centres at competition venues. The MMC will officially operate from 4 to 17 August 2025.

The MMC covers an area of about 20,000 square metres, consisting of the Main Press Center (MPC) and the International Broadcast Center (IBC). The MPC is located in Building 1 (1F and 2F) and the Conference Center, covering an area of about 11,000 square metres. The IBC is located in Building 7 (1F-3F), covering an area of about 6,000 square metres. In addition, there is a 2,000-square-metre space, mainly used for the construction of the City Hall, where cultural events and interactive activities can be held.



MMC

Venue media centres

The Venue Media Centres (VMCs) will operate during the operation period of the corresponding competition venues. Each VMC is generally open 1 hour before the first competition in the competition venue and will close 1.5 hours after the last competition in the competition venue. The closing time may be postponed due to delays caused by competitions, award ceremonies, and press conferences.

In principle, the following operational areas will be set in each VMC: a media work-room, media tribunes, a press conference room, a mixed zone, photo positions, and an official information service office, all of which are managed and coordinated by the venue media manager.

Media catering services

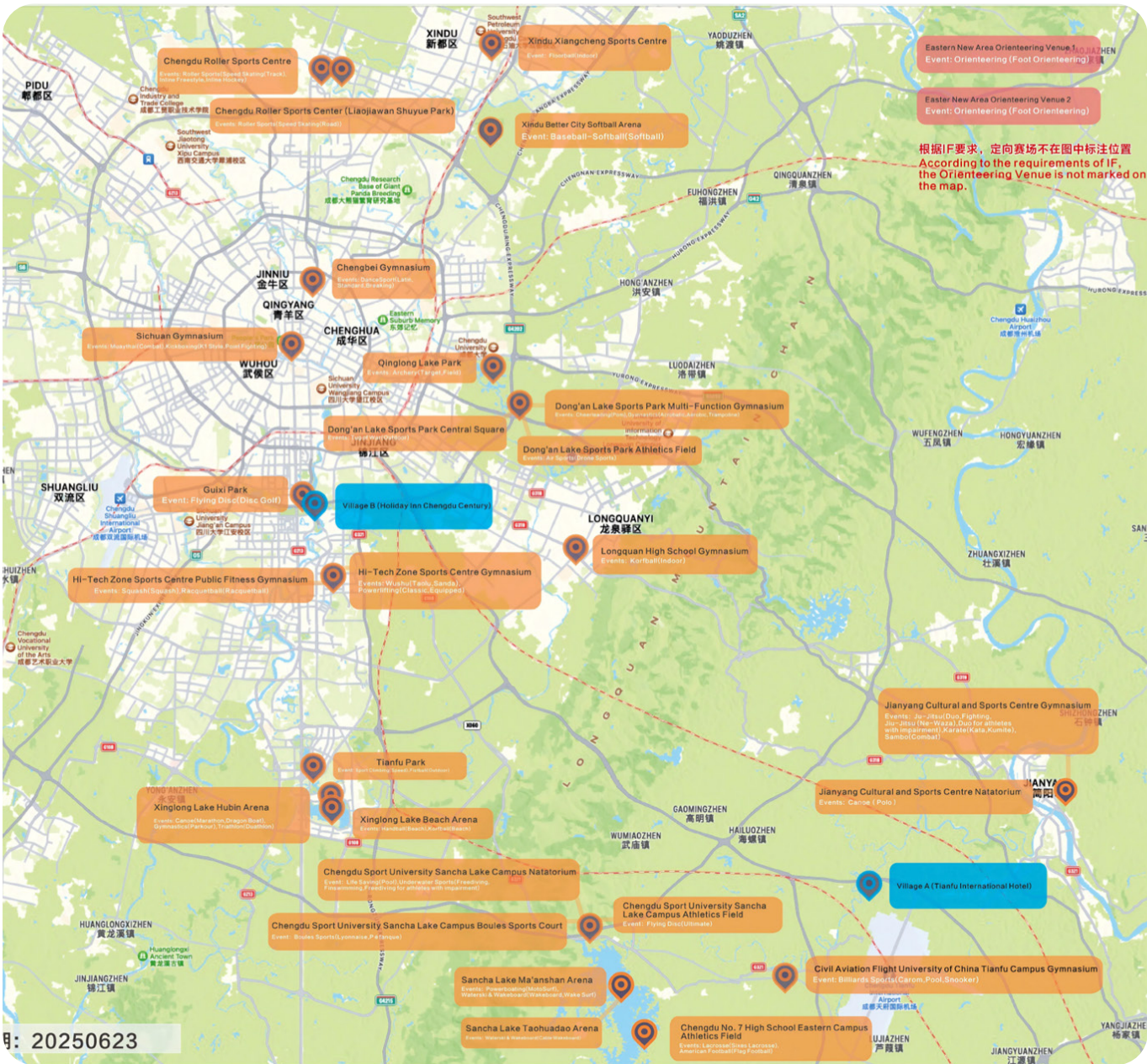
Free refreshments and drinking water will be provided at the Main Media Center (MMC) and competition venues according to the competition schedule and at the venues of the Opening and Closing Ceremonies on the day when the Opening/Closing Ceremony is held.

Paid buffet-style lunch and dinner will be offered to accredited media at the MMC, and paid meals will be provided at official media hotels and also at the competition venues as per the competition schedule.

INFO system

The INFO System will be open to all accredited media three days before TWG 2025 Chengdu. It will provide free official information services, including text and pictures.

Venue map



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Arrival and departure transportation services

Based on submitted media arrival and departure information and accommodation information, Chengdu ExCo will provide 24-hour transportation services between the Official Points of Arrival and Departure (Tianfu International Airport, Shuangliu International Airport, Chengdudong Railway Station) and all official accommodation sites.

Tianfu International Airport - Tianfu International Hotel Complex

05:00-24:00: with a frequency of every 40 minutes;

00:00-5:00: with a frequency of every 90 minutes.

Tianfu International Airport - Grand Mercure Chengdu East

05:00-24:00: with a frequency of every 40 minutes;

00:00-5:00: with a frequency of every 90 minutes.

Shuangliu International Airport

- Grand Mercure Chengdu East - Tianfu International Hotel Complex

05:00-24:00: with a frequency of every 40 minutes;

00:00-5:00: with a frequency of every 90 minutes.

Chengdudong Railway Station

- Grand Mercure Chengdu East - Tianfu International Hotel Complex

00:00-24:00: on an on-demand basis.

Games-time shuttle services

TM bus stations are set up at the Main Media Center and TWG Village Zone B, offering shuttle services between the Main Media Center and competition venues in Tianfu New Area, Longquanyi (excluding Qinglonghu Wetland Park), Eastern New Area and Jianyang Venue Clusters; between TWG Village Zone B and competition venues in High-tech Zone, Wuhou, Jinniu, Xindu and Longquanyi (Qinglong Lake Park only) Venue Clusters.

The first shuttle will arrive at a given competition venue 30 minutes before the first competition, and the last shuttle will depart from the competition venue 90 minutes after the last competition ends. During its remaining operational period, the shuttle will operate with a departure interval of 30 minutes during peak hours and 60 minutes during off-peak hours.

Shuttle service will be available between Tianfu International Hotel Complex and MMC, operating daily from 06:00 to 23:00 with rolling departures. The shuttle services will have a departure interval of 10 minutes during peak hours and 45 minutes during off-peak hours.



TRANSPORTATION

Glossary of terms

Sport	The sport is canoeing, kayaking and all paddling activities.
National Federation	Member National Federation of the International Canoe Federation.
Discipline	A discipline is a branch of a sport comprising one (1) or several events (e.g., Canoe Sprint, Canoe Slalom...).
Competition	The competition runs from the start of the first event to the completion of the last event of a discipline, excluding the Opening and Closing Ceremonies.
Athlete or player	Male or female athlete. In Canoe Polo refer to a player.
Gender	Men or Women
Boat/board	A boat/board is the watercraft used to practice canoeing (e.g., canoe, kayak, SUP): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A single boat/board: a boat/board with only one (1) place for an athlete (e.g. kayak single);• A crew boat/board: a boat/board with more than one (1) place for an athlete (e.g. canoe four).
Age group	e.g., junior, under 21, under 23, masters depending on each discipline
Category	A category is defined by a boat/board and a gender (e.g., Men Kayak, Mixed Canoe).
Class	A class is defined by a category and the number of places in a boat/board (e.g., men kayak double; women canoe four).
Event	An event is a contest in one (1) discipline resulting in the award of medals. An event is defined by at least a class and depending on the competition and the discipline with the additional optional information: a distance and / or an age group (e.g., junior men's kayak double 500m, under 23 women's kayak single, men's canoe double classic).
Type of event	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individual events: A boat/board comprised of one (1) or more athletes competing against other boats/boards.• Team events: two (2) or more boats/boards competing together against other teams.
Event Phase	A stage of competition (e.g., preliminaries, heats, semifinal, final).
Groups	Denoting one section (usually 5-10 athletes) that paddle in reverse ranked sequence for each run in a phase.
Run or race or match	The basic unit of an event phase (e.g., heats 1st run, semifinal, final).
Competition programme	The list of events included in a competition.
Competition schedule	The complete list of events and their different phases with the time at which they will be held.
International Technical Official	Oversee the operation of the competition.
Host Organising Committee	The host organising committee can be a National Federation or a subsidiary or a third party organisation specialising in competition management.
Definition of meaning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• may: optional• should: recommendation• must: mandatory / compulsory
Sport Class (only paracanoe book)	A Sport Class is a category defined by ICF Paracanoe in the Classification Rules, in which Athletes are grouped by reference to the impact of an eligible impairment on their ability to execute the specific tasks and activities fundamental to the sport.

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