



2025
WORLD RAFTING
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**EVENT
MANUAL**



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Provisional programme

TIME		MONDAY 03 November	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	Finish				
09:30:00	16:00:00	Accreditation			
16:30:00	18:00:00	Head of Delegation meeting			
19:00:00	21:00:00	Opening ceremony			
TIME		TUESDAY 04 November	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	Finish				
07:30:00	09:00:00	Rafting Official training (Slalom) - Group 4			
09:00:00	10:30:00	Rafting Official training (Slalom) - Group 2			
10:30:00	12:00:00	Rafting Official training (Slalom) - Group 1			
12:00:00	13:30:00	Rafting Official training (Slalom) - Group 3			
14:00:00	18:30:00	Rafting Official training (Downriver)			
TIME		WEDNESDAY 05 November	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	Finish				
08:00:00	08:15:00	Head of Delegation meeting			
		RX Qualifications			
09:00:00	09:15:00	RX Qualification Men (I)	15	01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			
09:20:00	09:35:00	RX Qualification Men (II)	15	01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			
09:40:00	09:55:00	RX Qualification Women (I)	15	01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			
10:00:00	10:05:00	RX Qualification Women (II)	5	01:00	00:05:00
		Interval			
10:10:00	10:14:00	RX Qualification Para-Rafting (II)	4	01:00	00:04:00
		Interval			
10:30:00	10:45:00	RX Qualification Mixed (I)	15	01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			
10:50:00	11:00:00	RX Qualification Mixed (II)	10	01:00	00:10:00
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		Downriver			
13:30:00	13:45:00	Downriver Men (I)	15	01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			
14:30:00	14:45:00	Downriver Men (II)	15	01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			
15:30:00	15:45:00	Downriver Women (I)	15	01:00	00:15:00

		Interval			
16:30:00	16:35:00	Downriver Women (II)	5	01:00	00:05:00
		Interval			
16:40:00	16:44:00	Downriver Para-Rafting (II)	4	01:00	00:04:00
		Interval			
17:50:00	18:05:00	Downriver Mixed (I)	15	01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			
18:44:00	18:54:00	Downriver Mixed (II)	10	01:00	00:10:00
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TIME		THURSDAY 06 November	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	Finish				
08:00:00	09:00:00	RX Course Setting			
08:00:00	08:15:00	Head of Delegation meeting			
		RX Knock-out stage Men - Women			
10:00:00	11:04:00	Knock-out stage (Round of 16) Men	16	04:00	01:04:00
		Interval			
11:12:00	12:16:00	Knock-out stage (Round of 16) Women	16	04:00	01:04:00
		Interval			
12:30:00	13:02:00	Knock-out stage (Round of 8) Men	8	04:00	00:32:00
		Interval			
13:10:00	13:42:00	Knock-out stage (Round of 8) Women	8	04:00	00:32:00
		Interval			
15:30:00	15:46:00	Knock-out stage (Quarter Finals) Men	4	04:00	00:16:00
		Interval			
15:54:00	16:10:00	Knock-out stage (Quarter Finals) Women	4	04:00	00:16:00
		Interval			
16:30:00	16:38:00	Knock-out stage (Semi Finals) Men	2	04:00	00:08:00
		Interval			
16:42:00	16:50:00	Knock-out stage (Semi Finals) Women	2	04:00	00:08:00
		Interval			
17:00:00	17:10:00	Knock-out stage (Finals B) Men - Women	2	05:00	00:10:00
		Interval			
17:15:00	17:25:00	Knock-out stage (Finals A) Men - Women	2	05:00	00:10:00
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17:40:00	17:50:00	RX Men & Women - Medal presentation	2	05:00	00:10:00
18:00:00	18:20:00	Downriver - Medal presentation	4	05:00	00:20:00
TIME		FRIDAY 07 November	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	Finish				
08:00:00	08:15:00	Head of Delegation meeting			
		RX Knock-out stage Mixed - Para-Rafting			
10:00:00	11:04:00	Knock-out stage (Round of 16) Mixed	16	04:00	01:04:00
		Interval			
11:12:00	11:44:00	Knock-out stage (Round of 8) Mixed	8	04:00	00:32:00
		Interval			
12:00:00	12:16:00	Knock-out stage (Quarter Finals) Mixed	4	04:00	00:16:00
		Interval			
12:32:00	12:40:00	Knock-out stage (Semi Finals) Mixed	2	04:00	00:08:00
		Interval			
12:44:00	12:52:00	Knock-out stage (Semi Finals) Para-Rafting	2	04:00	00:08:00
		Interval			
13:10:00	13:20:00	Knock-out stage (Finals B) Mixed - Para-Rafting	2	05:00	00:10:00
		Interval			
13:30:00	13:40:00	Knock-out stage (Finals A) Mixed - Para-Rafting	2	05:00	00:10:00
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14:05:00	14:15:00	RX Mixed & Para-Rafting - Medal presentation	2	05:00	00:10:00
		Contingency Plan			

TIME		SATURDAY 08 November	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	Finish				
08:00:00	09:00:00	Slalom Course Setting			
08:30:00	08:45:00	Head of Delegation meeting			
		Slalom (First run)			
09:30:00	10:00:00	Slalom Men (I)	15	02:00	00:30:00
		Interval			
10:10:00	10:40:00	Slalom Men (II)	15	02:00	00:30:00
		Interval			
10:50:00	11:20:00	Slalom Women (I)	15	02:00	00:30:00
		Interval			
11:30:00	11:40:00	Slalom Women (II)	5	02:00	00:10:00
		Interval			
11:50:00	11:58:00	Slalom Para-Rafting (II)	4	02:00	00:08:00
		Interval			
12:10:00	12:40:00	Slalom Mixed (I)	15	02:00	00:30:00
		Interval			
12:50:00	13:10:00	Slalom Mixed (II)	10	02:00	00:20:00
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		Slalom (Second run)			
14:00:00	14:30:00	Slalom Men (I)	15	02:00	00:30:00
		Interval			
14:40:00	15:10:00	Slalom Men (II)	15	02:00	00:30:00
		Interval			
15:20:00	15:50:00	Slalom Women (I)	15	02:00	00:30:00
		Interval			
16:00:00	16:10:00	Slalom Women (II)	5	02:00	00:10:00
		Interval			
16:40:00	16:48:00	Slalom Para-Rafting (II)	4	02:00	00:08:00
		Interval			
16:20:00	16:50:00	Slalom Mixed (I)	15	02:00	00:30:00
		Interval			
17:20:00	17:40:00	Slalom Mixed (II)	10	02:00	00:20:00
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20:30:00	20:50:00	Slalom - Medal presentation	4	05:00	00:20:00
20:50:00	21:10:00	Overall Medal presentation / Closing Ceremony	4	05:00	00:20:00

Accreditation point

The Accreditation office is in Ruta Provincial 23, Conrado Villegas y, Q8345 Aluminé (Neuquén, Argentina) at [Visitor Center of Aluminé](#).

National Delegations can complete their accreditations **on 3 November from 9:30 to 16:00**.

Accreditation cards will be required to access the restricted areas of the event. Accreditation will be available for athletes, coaches and other delegation members.

The custody of the bib number is the responsibility of each team. In case of loss, no replacement will be provided.

Head of Delegations meeting

Only **two persons per nation** may participate in the Head of Delegation meetings.

The name of the Head of Delegation, along with their phone number and email address, must be confirmed during accreditation.

The first Head of Delegation meeting will be held **on 3 November** from 16:30 to 18:00 at [Visitor Center of Aluminè](#).

TIME		Monday 03 November
16:30:00	18:00:00	Head of Delegation meeting

All subsequent meetings will also be held at Camp mirador (RX & Slalom Venue), which is adjacent to the competition area.

Insurance

All participants of the event have to own their insurance according to their NF policy. **LOC/NF or WRF will not cover any expenses in connection with hospital or dental treatment.**

Free Training Shifts

On November 2 and 3, free rafting training sessions will be available from 09:00 to 18:00, using either personal rafts or rented rafts.

TIME		Saturday 01 November
09:00:00	18:00:00	Free training
TIME		Sunday 02 November
09:00:00	18:00:00	Free training
TIME		Monday 03 November
09:00:00	17:00:00	Free training

Starting from 17:00 on November 3, the main venue course will be closed.

Rafts will not be provided during the free training sessions. Teams may either rent rafts for training purposes or use their own rafts.

Official Training Shifts

During official training sessions, rafts are provided by WRF.

The **slalom training** will take place by nation, following the order of registration (the first nation to register will be assigned to Group 1, and so on)

TIME		TUESDAY 04 November
07:30:00	9:00:00	Rafting Official training (Slalom) - Group 4
09:00:00	10:30:00	Rafting Official training (Slalom) - Group 2

10:30:00	12:00:00	Rafting Official training (Slalom) - Group 1
12:00:00	13:30:00	Rafting Official training (Slalom) - Group 3

The **downriver training** will take place according to the start order by category prepared by the secretariat. The exact schedule will be communicated 24 hours in advance. It will be possible to complete one official downriver training run.

TIME		TUESDAY 04 November
14:00:00	18:30:00	Rafting Official training (Downriver)

Opening Ceremony Instructions

Each delegation must appoint two representatives to carry the flag and the board with the name of the country.

Meeting point for ALL

The meeting point for ALL delegations is at the [San Martin Square, Aluminé](#) at **18:00 (3 November)**. The participation is mandatory. Athletes must wear their **official team uniforms**.

Important note:

- National flag, other flag, propaganda or message is NOT allowed on the podium.
- Carrying flags other than those of the country during the parade or ceremony may result in sanctions that are final and not subject to appeal.

Live streaming

<https://www.youtube.com/@worldrafting>

Official Technical Information

The competition will be held on the river “Aluminé”.

Water temperature: 8°

Mandatory equipment: check the Sport Rules published on the [WRF Website](#)

WRF Sport Rules – Art. 9

1. Every single member of the crew must wear the following clothing in good and perfect working condition:
 - a) **Technical clothing**
 - a.1 If the water is above 8-degree Celsius:
 - at least one capilene/lycra for the chest (long or short sleeve);
 - neoprene short.
 - a.2 If the water is below 8- degree Celsius:
 - splash jacket (short or long sleeve);
 - Capilene/lycra for the chest;
 - Neoprene pants.
 - b) **Mandatory security equipment**
 - b.1 Personal Floating Device: each member of the crew must wear a buoyancy aid jacket of appropriate size to the body.
 - b.1.1 have a floatation of at least 50 N for all sizes;
 - b.1.2 no inflatable buoyancy devices are allowed;
 - b.1.3 have not undergone any changes and is in good working condition;
 - b.2 Helmet: each crew member must wear a protective helmet well secured to the head. Helmets shall:
 - b.2.1 be labeled with the industrial standard "HELMET FOR WHITEWATER SPORT" e.g. EN1385;
 - b.2.2 not have undergone any changes and in good condition;
 - b.3 hard-soled and closed shoes.
2. At least one crew member must carry a flip-line no shorter than 3 meters, a knife, a whistle and a throwline no shorter than 15 meters. The throwline can also be secured to the boat. On board of any boats other than the packraft there must be a reserve paddle, except for slalom and RX competitions where is optional.

Rafts during the competition

During the competition, teams may use their own rafts provided that they are the WRF Acquadesign Competition raft model.

Teams that do not have their own raft will be provided with one approximately 20 minutes before their starting time.

At the end of the race, teams must bring their raft to the designated area. Failure to cooperate may result in disciplinary sanctions.

Information about purchasing WRF rafts after the event can be requested at info@worldraftingfederation.com

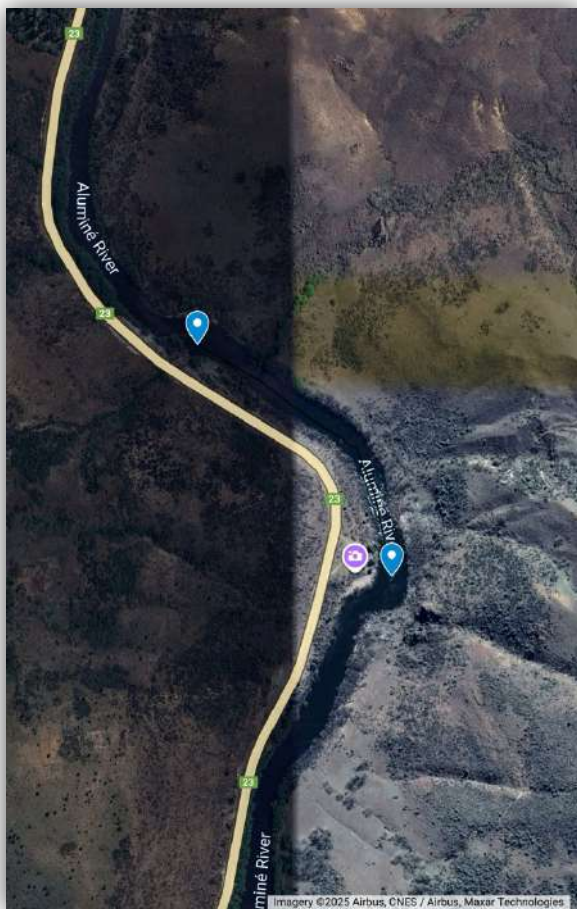
Start procedure

Athletes may enter the water for warm-up no earlier than 10 minutes before their scheduled start time (if river conditions allow).

Athletes must remain in the designated waiting areas (upstream) until the previous raft has left the starting position.

Each team is responsible for reaching the starting position on time. An acoustic judge signal will indicate the start.

Athletes must strictly follow the starter's instructions; failure to do so may result in disciplinary sanctions.



RX Qualifications

[Google map](#)

(Camp mirador)

Single start (time interval between starts: 1 minute, except for technical breaks).

Photocells will be used at both the start and the finish.

Flying start: at the judge's signal, teams may place their paddles in the water from the shore — the timing begins when the tip of the raft crosses the start photocell line.

Athletes must exit the river on the right bank after the finish line.

Downriver

[Google map](#)

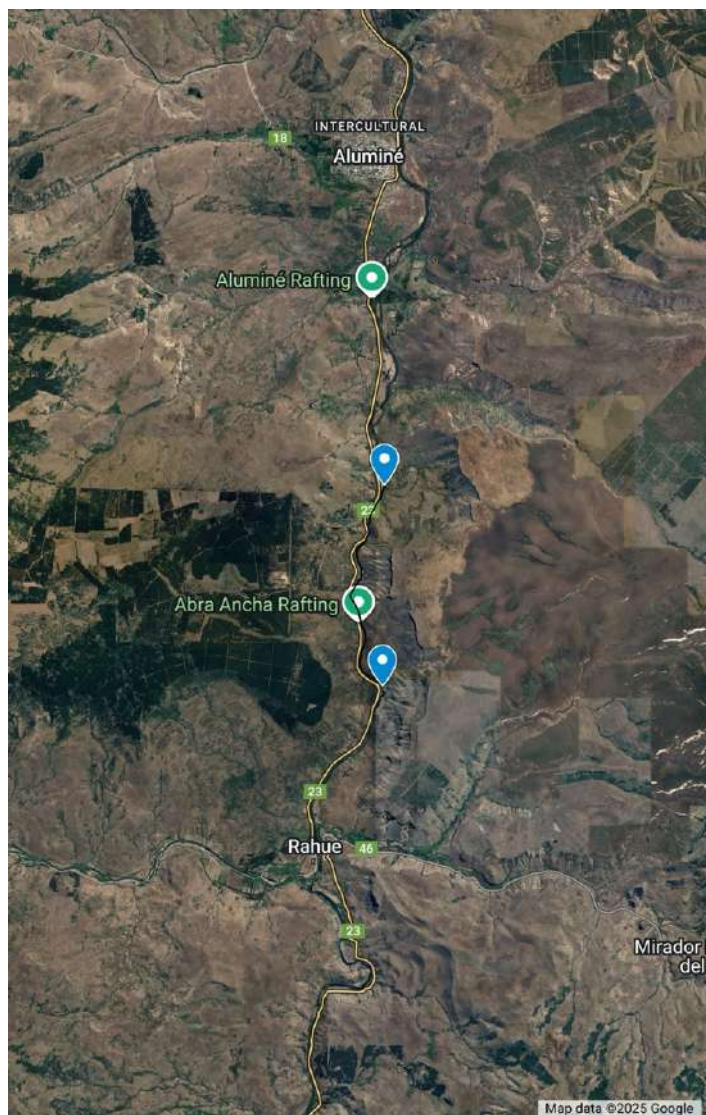
The competition section is Class 3.

Single start (time interval between starts: 2 minutes, except for technical breaks).

Photocells will be used at both the start and the finish.

Flying start: at the judge's signal, teams may place their paddles in the water from the shore — the timing begins when the tip of the raft crosses the start photocell line.

Athletes must exit the river on the right bank after the finish line.



RX

[Google map](#)

(Camp mirador)

Green/red bibs are distributed at the start. The green bib is worn by the team with the best qualification time

The RX bib (green/red) must be worn only by the athlete seated in the front left position.

The RX bib must be worn over the numbered bib. All other athletes must wear their numbered bibs as usual.

Athletes must exit the river on the right bank after the finish line. Upon finishing, the red/green bib must be immediately returned to the designated staff.

Slalom

[Google map](#)

(Camp mirador)

Single start (time interval between starts: 2 minutes, except for technical breaks).

Photocells will be used at both the start and the finish.

Flying start: at the judge's signal, teams may place their paddles in the water from the shore — the timing begins when the tip of the raft crosses the start photocell line.

Athletes must exit the river on the right bank after the finish line.

Protest

The protest desk is located in the finish area. Access to this area is restricted to accredited Heads of Delegation only.

A protest fee of €75 (or an equal amount in another currency – e.g. 87 US\$ or 117.058 ARS) must be paid upon submission.

The appeal must be handed to the Chief Judge no later than the time indicated in the Sport Rules. The Chief Judge will review all available information in order to evaluate the protest. Once the enquiry has been investigated and a decision has been made, it is considered a matter of fact and cannot be appealed further.

Award ceremonies Protocol

Athletes of the National Delegation **MUST** be in the assembly area (close to the stage) no later than ten (10) minutes before the ceremony. Only athletes who have won medals in that particular event are allowed on the podium.

For the Downriver and Slalom medal ceremonies, athletes must wear their **official team uniforms**, and appropriate footwear is required (barefoot is not allowed). **For the RX medal ceremony**, athletes must go on stage wearing their **river competition uniforms**, including the race bib used during the event. Athletes may not wear hats or headgear and no sunglasses are allowed throughout the Ceremony.

Important note:

- National flag, other flag, propaganda or message is NOT allowed on the podium.

The awards ceremonies (1st, 2nd and 3rd place for Men, Women, Mixed, Para-Rafting) will be run for all three the official disciplines (Downriver, Slalom and RX).

Location	
Downriver	Camp mirador
RX	Campi mirador
Slalom	Closing ceremony area (Sentido Restobar)
Overall	Closing ceremony area (Sentido Restobar)

Use of WRF rafts during the event

1. Competition rafts

During the competition, teams are allowed to use:

- their own Aquadesign rafts, or
- WRF-provided rafts, in case they do not have their own.

Please note:

- WRF rafts are not insured for free training sessions.

2. Raft management and availability

From Monday evening the official program begins. From that point onward, all WRF-provided rafts will be:

- fully managed by WRF
- available for official training sessions and competition races

Provided at no cost and without any deposit, as they are not assigned for exclusive use

3. Free Training Rafts (optional rental)

WRF and not-WRF rafts may be made available for free training sessions.

This is considered an additional service, separate from the official event program.

Rent information

- rental cost: €50 per day
- deposit required: €100 (to be returned)

These rafts can be rented directly at the Local organizing Committee.

4. Pump availability

A pump will be available for shared use.

It must be kept at the starting point.

5. Purchase of rafts after the Event

Teams interested in purchasing one of the rafts used during the event may do so.

Exceptionally, the purchase price is €800 (+ VAT) per raft. Additional discounts may be agreed upon in the case of the purchase of more than one raft

For further details or to reserve a raft, please contact the WRF Secretariat (info@worldraftingfederation.com).

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