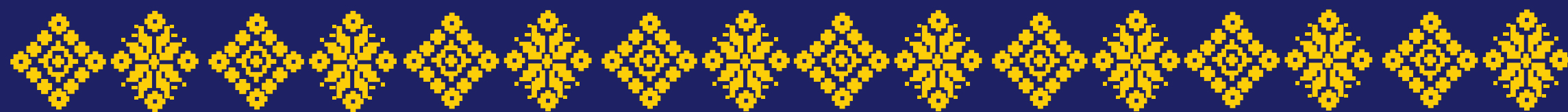




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IRF WORLD RAFTING CHAMPIONSHIP 2025 MALAYSIA



INTRODUCTION

The IRF World Rafting Championship 2025 is set to be an exhilarating event hosted in the picturesque landscapes of Malaysia. Known for its lush rainforests and dynamic waterways, Malaysia offers the perfect backdrop for this prestigious global competition. Teams from around the world will gather to showcase their rafting prowess across various challenging rapids and rivers. The championship not only highlights the thrilling sport of rafting but also emphasizes the importance of teamwork, strategy, and environmental stewardship. As participants navigate Malaysia's diverse and stunning rivers, they will also have the opportunity to engage with the country's rich cultural tapestry and warm hospitality. This event promises to be a celebration of adventure sports and international camaraderie, leaving lasting memories for athletes and spectators alike.

The event will inspire young Malaysians to embrace active lifestyles, fostering values of teamwork, discipline and sportsmanship. It provides invaluable exposure to international competition and cultural exchange, nurturing future athletic talent.



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

📍 30 Racing Nations

📍 5 Participated Continents

📍 Over 60 Rafting Teams

📍 30 IRF Jury, Judges & Race Committees

📍 100 Event Crews

📍 100 Volunteers

📍 520 Athletes & Delegates

📍 1000 Expected Spectators

📍 5000 Expected Number of Crowd

EVENT OVERVIEW

Official Title: **IRF World Rafting Championship 2025 Malaysia**

Host: **Malaysia Rafting Association (MRA)**

Dates: **1st to 7th December 2025**

Venue: **Kampar River, Gopeng, Perak Darul Ridzuan**

Disciplines: **Sprint, Head-To-Head, Slalom and Downriver**

Division: **Youth, Junior, Open and Masters**

Category: **Men and Women**

Official Website: www.worldraftingchampionship.com

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Petra Plecita
Head Judge



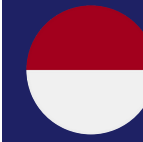
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Registration/Liaison



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Event Manager



Maifredi Graham
Safety Director



Amalia Yunita
Jury 1



Jean-Philippe Turcotte
Judge 1



Kianoosh Mehgrabi
Judge 2



Maifredi Graham
Judge 3



Goran Lolic
Judge 4



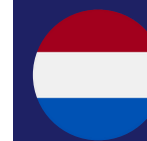
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Joni Kurniawan
Course Design



Emilia Bugonova
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Pieter Bekkers
Judge 5



Michaela Salcakova
Judge 6



Mohammad Aiman
Logistic Lead



Pieter Bekkers
Timing Team



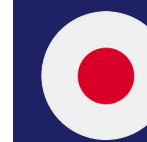
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Judge 8



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Photographer



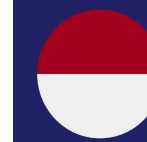
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Joni Kurniawan
Judge 10



Muhammad Fazlee
Volunteer Lead



Imelda Bilitonia
Judge 11



Adrena Sicilza
Judge 12

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS & PRE-TRAVEL

REGISTRATION

IRF Pre-Registration Deadline:

30 September 2025

WRC Registration Deadline:

You must complete the required action within 30 days of receiving your WRC registration email.

PAYMENT

Registration Fees:

**USD350 per person
(athlete, coach, manager & supporter)**

Payment Methods:

Bank Transfer (as per email)

TRAVEL LOGISTIC

Airport:

Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA)

Official Transfer Schedule:

Schedule will be emailed to your respective team captain or representative(s).

Early Arrival Policy:

**If your team plans to arrive before November 30th, please reach us at secretariate@malaysiarafting.my
Our team will advise you on the necessary extra fees and arrangements.**

VISA & IMMIGRATION

Visa & e-Visa

Check your visa requirement.

Support Letters:

Request the supporting document from the WRC Organizing Committees.

Passport Validity:

Must be valid at least six (6) months beyond the event date.










Who is eligible for eVISA (Tourist - Social Visit)?

eVISA nationality eligibility: eVISA

What are the documents needed upon arrival at Malaysia entry checkpoints?

The following documents are required to be presented upon arrival in Malaysia entry check-points:

-  Valid passport / travel document. **01**
-  Valid eVISA printout (eVISA Note). **02**
-  Malaysia Digital Arrival Card (MDAC).
Apply three (3) days before travel date at:
<https://imigresen-online.imi.gov.my/mdac/main> **03**
-  Boarding pass. **04**
-  Confirmed returned flight ticket. **05**
-  Sufficient funds (Cash / Traveler's Cheque / Debit or Credit Cards / e-Wallets recognized by Malaysian Government) to cover your expenses during your stay in Malaysia. **06**
-  Proof of accommodation.
• Address to use:
*Persatuan Rafting Malaysia
Lot 14029, Jalan Besar, Kampung Jahang,
31600 Gopeng, Perak, MALAYSIA* **07**
-  Other supporting documents. **08**



ACCOMMODATION, MEALS & SITE INFO

OFFICIAL ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation:

Accommodation #1 & Accommodation #2

Room Policy:

- **Room assignments are allocated by nation. Your entire national delegation will be housed together.**
- **All room assignments will strictly observe gender separation to respect local cultural norms.**
- **Sharing rooms (4-7 pax) and no single/double options are available.**
- **Early arrival costing is excluded from the WRC Registration Fees.**



MEALS

Included:

- **Dinner on 30th Nov 2025**
- **Daily meals 1st to 6th Dec 2025**
- **Breakfast on 7th Dec 2025**

Dietary Requirements:

- **The Organizing Committee will strictly follow the information and special requests as stated by your team on the official WRC Registration Form.**



SITE INFO

Official Event Hub:

Riverside Camp

Registration & Race Kit Collection:

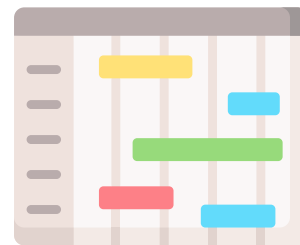
- **All teams will need to register and collect the Race Kit at the event location on 30th November 2025.**



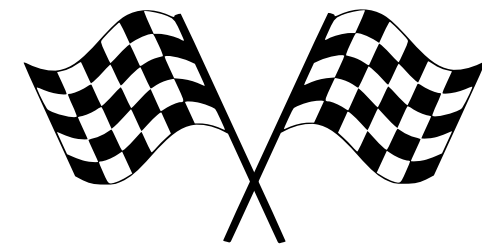
COMPETITION & SAFETY RULES



RACE SCHEDULE



RACE ROUTES



RACE BOAT



RACE SCHEDULE



30 NOVEMBER TO 7 DECEMBER 2025 - KAMPAR RIVER, GOPENG, PERAK DARUL RIDZUAN

DAY 1: SUNDAY 30 NOV 2025	DAY 2: MONDAY 1 DEC 2025	DAY 3: TUESDAY 2 DEC 2025*	DAY 4: WEDNESDAY 3 DEC 2025	DAY 5: THURSDAY 4 DEC 2025	DAY 6: FRIDAY 5 DEC 2025	DAY 7: SATURDAY 6 DEC 2025	DAY 8: SUNDAY 7 DEC 2025
8:00 AM - 12:00 NOON WRC 2025 REGISTRATION (ALL DAY) @ ACCOMMODATIONS	9:00 AM TRAINING SESSION 1	SPRINT 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM - YOUTH (MEN & WOMEN) - JUNIOR (MEN & WOMEN) - MASTERS (MEN & WOMEN) - OPEN (MEN & WOMEN)	HEAD-TO-HEAD 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM - OPEN (MEN & WOMEN) - MASTERS (MEN & WOMEN)	SLALOM 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM - YOUTH (MEN & WOMEN) - JUNIOR (MEN & WOMEN) - OPEN (MEN & WOMEN) - MASTERS (MEN & WOMEN)	9:00 AM - 4:30 PM TRAINING FOR DOWNRIVER - YOUTH (MEN & WOMEN) - JUNIOR (MEN & WOMEN) - OPEN (MEN & WOMEN) - MASTERS (MEN & WOMEN)	DOWNRIVER 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM - YOUTH (MEN & WOMEN) - JUNIOR (MEN & WOMEN) - OPEN (MEN & WOMEN) - MASTERS (MEN & WOMEN) 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM	NETWORKING SESSION WRAP-UP & GOODBYES
	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM IRF CONGRESS	HEAD-TO-HEAD 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM - YOUTH (MEN & WOMEN) - JUNIOR (MEN & WOMEN)					
	6:00 PM CAPTAIN MEETING @ ULU RIVER LODGE*	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM - REFER TO THE DETAILED ITINERARY					
5:00 PM WRC 2025 OPENING CEREMONY @ GOPENG TOWN	1:30 PM - 4:30 PM TRAINING SESSION 2	HEAD-TO-HEAD - CONTINUED 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM - YOUTH (MEN & WOMEN) - JUNIOR (MEN & WOMEN)	2:00 PM - 2:30 PM HEAD-TO-HEAD MEDAL CEREMONY @ RIVERSIDE CAMP	5:00 AM - 5:30 PM SLALOM MEDAL CEREMONY @ RIVERSIDE CAMP	6:00 PM CAPTAIN MEETING @ ULU RIVER LODGE*	5:00 PM DOWNRIVER, OVERALL AWARD AND WRC 2025 CLOSING CEREMONY @ RIVERSIDE CAMP	
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MEALS

MEALS WILL BE PROVIDED AS BELOW:
 DINNER: 30 NOV 2025
 BREAKFAST, LUNCH, DINNER: 1-6 DEC 2025
 BREAKFAST: 7 DEC 2025
 • MEAL SERVE TIME:
 7:00 AM / 12:30 PM / 7:00 PM

RACE VENUES:

SPRINT, HEAD-TO-HEAD & SLALOM
 START: THE HIDEOUT
 FINISH: RIVERSIDE CAMP

 DOWNRIVER
 START: THE HIJAU
 FINISH: MURNI CAMP

IMPORTANT NOTES:

CAPTAIN MEETING VENUE: *SUBJECT TO CHANGE

 WATER BOTTLE:
 BRING YOUR BOTTLE! REFILL STATIONS ARE AVAILABLE
 THROUGHOUT THE WRC VENUES.

EVENT ITINERARY 2 DECEMBER 2025



TIME	EVENT ITINERARY
9:00am - 10:30am	Race: SPRINT - Youth, Junior, Masters dan Open (Women & Men)
11:30am - 12:30pm	Race: HEAD-TO-HEAD - Youth (Women & Men) & Junior (Women & Men)
1:00pm	The arrival of Duli Yang Amat Mulia Raja DiHilir Perak Darul Ridzuan Raja Iskandar Dzurkarnain Ibni Sultan Idris A'fifullah Shah, D.K., D.K.II (Johor), D.K.A.II., P.S.M., S.P.C.M., S.S.D.K. and reception by VIPs
1:15pm	Whitewater Rafting Demo from the National Team
1:30pm - 1:50pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Anthem of Perak Darul Ridzuan - Speech by YBrs En Mohamad Kamil Bin Mohamad Kasim, District Officer of Kampar - Speech by Mr Joseph Willis Jones, President - International Rafting Federation (IRF)
2:10pm - 2:30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SPRINT Medal Ceremony - IRF President, Joseph Willis Jones presents souvenir to Duli Yang Amat Mulia Raja DiHilir Perak Darul Ridzuan Raja Iskandar Dzurkarnain Ibni Sultan Idris A'fifullah Shah, D.K., D.K.II (Johor), D.K.A.II., P.S.M., S.P.C.M., S.S.D.K.
2:30pm	Dining Ceremony for Duli Yang Amat Mulia Raja DiHilir Perak Darul Ridzuan Raja Iskandar Dzurkarnain Ibni Sultan Idris A'fifullah Shah, D.K., D.K.II (Johor), D.K.A.II., P.S.M., S.P.C.M., S.S.D.K.
3:00pm	Race: HEAD-TO-HEAD (Continued) - Youth (Women & Men) & Junior (Women & Men)
3:30pm	Departure home of Duli Yang Amat Mulia Raja DiHilir Perak Darul Ridzuan Raja Iskandar Dzurkarnain Ibni Sultan Idris A'fifullah Shah, D.K., D.K.II (Johor), D.K.A.II., P.S.M., S.P.C.M., S.S.D.K.
6:00pm	Captain Meeting

RACE ROUTES



SPRINT, HEAD-TO-HEAD & SLALOM

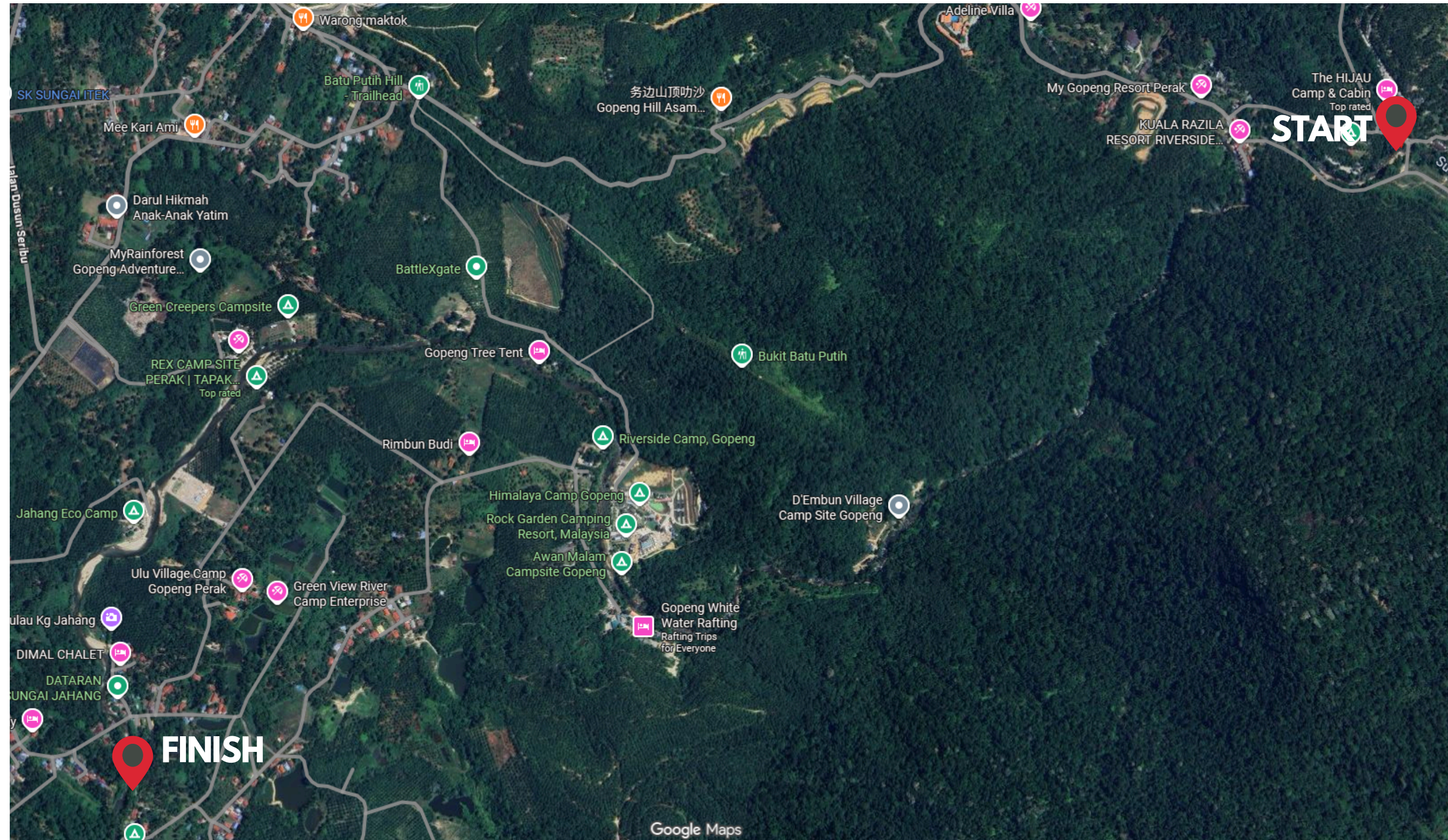
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RACE ROUTES



DOWNRIVER

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RACE BOAT

SPECIFICATION

In accordance with the International Rafting Federation (IRF) Race Rules, the Organizing Committee has established the following precise specifications for all rafting boats participating in the championship.

Below is the specification of the rafting boat:



- Length: 365cm
- Width: 170cm
- Thwarts: 2
- Thwarts Diameter: 48cm
- Weight: 40kg
- Foot Cups



SAFETY RULES

IRF RACE RULES

Visit the IRF Website for the Race Rules:

IRF Race Rules

<https://internationalrafting.com/racing/race-rules/>



MANDATORY GEAR

RAFTING EQUIPMENT



Personal Flotation Device (PFD)

Bring your own Personal Flotation Device (PFD) that meets IRF regulations.



Helmet

Ensure to bring rafting Helmet that meets water safety standards.



Paddle

You need to bring your own rafting paddle that is adhering to the IRF specifications.



River Knife

River knives should be accessible with one hand.



Throw Bag

Throw bags must be stored safely and must be a minimum of 15 meters in length unless otherwise specified by the Event Organisers



Flip Line

The flip line is mandatory safety equipment. Teams must ensure it is present and ready for immediate use before starting any race discipline.



River Shoes or Sturdy Footwear

Bring footwear that will stay securely on your feet in the water and provide good grip. No flip-flops.



Gloves (optional)

If you prefer to wear gloves for rafting, bring a pair that offers good grip and protection.

LOCAL & CULTURAL INFORMATION

CURRENCY

The official currency of Malaysia is the Malaysian Ringgit, symbolized as RM and denoted by the international currency code MYR.

Cash is still the most widely accepted form of payment, especially at smaller establishments, food stalls (hawker centres), markets and local shops in areas like Gopeng.

- Notes: Available in denominations of RM1, RM5, RM10, RM20, RM50 and RM100.

Exchanging Currency

- Best Rates: You will generally get the best exchange rates at licensed money changers found in shopping malls and city centres. They usually offer better rates than banks or airport exchange counters.
- At KLIA: Currency exchange booths are available at the airport, but use them only for small amounts needed immediately upon arrival.

Credit and Debit Cards

- Acceptance: Visa and Mastercard are widely accepted at hotels, major retailers, supermarkets and modern restaurants.
- ATM Access: ATMs are abundant and operate 24 hours a day.

Digital Wallets and QR Payments

- High Acceptance in Malaysia: Malaysia is rapidly adopting cashless technology. Touch 'n Go eWallet and GrabPay are the two dominant local payment methods, accepted everywhere from major chains to some food courts.

Tipping Culture

- Not Customary: Tipping is not mandatory or widely practiced in Malaysia. Restaurants often include a 6% government tax and a 10% service charge on the bill.

CLIMATE

Malaysia experiences a classic equatorial climate, meaning you can expect consistent conditions throughout the year. Our weather is defined by warmth, high humidity and abundant rainfall, which keeps our rivers and rainforests thriving!

Characteristic	Detail and Impact for Delegates
Temperature	Hot and consistent. Average daily temperatures range between 25° C and 35° C (77° F and 95°). The temperature remains relatively stable day and night.
Humidity	High and constant. Expect humidity levels ranging from 70% to 90%. This is the main factor that makes the weather feel particularly warm, especially when standing still.
Rainfall	Frequent but brief. While rain is common, it typically arrives as heavy, sudden tropical downpours (thunderstorms) in the late afternoon or early evening. These intense bursts usually last an hour or two, clearing quickly and leaving behind fresh air.
River Conditions	The frequent rainfall ensures our rivers, including the Kampar, have reliable water levels for the competition, though teams should be prepared for potential adjustments due to heavy rain.

LANGUAGE

The national language is Bahasa Melayu (Malay Language). English is widely spoken and used throughout Malaysia, especially in business, administration, tourism and major cities. All communication for the WRC—including meetings, announcements and logistics—will be conducted in English.

CULTURAL ETIQUETTE

ATTIRE

Malaysia is a beautiful, multicultural country and dressing respectfully is a wonderful way to show appreciation for our local hosts and communities.

When venturing out into local towns like Gopeng, markets, or other public spaces, we encourage a slightly more conservative approach. This demonstrates courtesy and ensures you are comfortable.

- Attire: Avoid overly revealing tops, very short skirts, or short shorts when away from the accommodation or river venue.
- Comfort is Key: Given the tropical climate, choose lightweight, breathable fabrics (cotton, linen) to stay comfortable.
- Footwear: Casual walking shoes or comfortable sandals are perfect for exploring.

At the actual competition site and accommodation grounds, dress is entirely informal and functional (e.g., team gear, casual athletic wear, swimwear). The respectful standards mentioned above apply primarily when you are outside these immediate WRC bubbles. By following these simple guidelines, you'll be perfectly dressed for every occasion and ensure a positive experience throughout your stay!

CUSTOMS

Malaysia is a vibrant, harmonious blend of many cultures and faiths. Observing a few simple customs while in public areas ensures a respectful and positive experience for everyone.

Showing Respect in Public:

- The Head and Feet: In many Asian cultures, the head is considered sacred. Avoid touching someone's head. Conversely, the feet are considered the lowest part; avoid pointing your feet at people or objects.
- Gestures: When passing an object, especially to an elder or official, it's polite to use your right hand.

Religious Observance & Food/Drink:

Malaysia is a Muslim-majority country and it is helpful to be mindful of Islamic customs, especially regarding food and social gatherings:

- Halal Food: Food provided at official WRC functions will be Halal-certified to accommodate Muslim delegates.
- Pork and Alcohol: When dining in public or at venues provided by the WRC, please note that pork is generally not served and alcohol consumption is not permitted at official WRC venues or provided accommodations.
- Social Drinking: Alcohol consumption is permitted in licensed hotels and establishments, but please be discreet and refrain from consuming alcohol in general public areas out of respect for local communities.

We know you will represent your teams and nations with the utmost respect and courtesy. By observing these small gestures, we can all contribute to the warm and welcoming spirit of the WRC!

ALCOHOL POLICY

We aim to host a safe, professional and respectful environment for all athletes and delegates. Please observe the following policy regarding alcohol consumption during the WRC 2025:

Official WRC Venues and Accommodation

- Alcohol is strictly prohibited at the official competition site (Kampar River venue) and within all accommodation provided by the Organizing Committee.
- This policy respects both the local cultural context and the high standards of performance and professionalism expected at the World Rafting Championship.

Licensed Off-Site Establishments

- Delegates who wish to consume alcohol may do so at licensed commercial establishments (such as specific restaurants, bars, or hotels) outside of the official WRC sites.
- We kindly ask that delegates exercise discretion and moderation when consuming alcohol off-site and remain fully respectful of local Malaysian customs and laws at all times.

Thank you for helping us maintain a respectful and focused environment for the championship





01

ESSENTIAL DOCUMENTS



02

PERSONAL ITEMS

IMPORTANT CHECKLIST BEFORE TRAVELLING

ESSENTIAL DOCUMENTS



Passport

Ensure your passport is valid for at least six months beyond your intended stay in Malaysia.

01



Visa (if required)

Check the visa requirements for your nationality to enter Malaysia. Apply well in advance if necessary.

02



Flight Itinerary

Have a printed or digital copy of your flight bookings and any other travel arrangements.

03



Travel Insurance

Carry proof of your travel insurance, including policy number and emergency contact information. Ensure it covers participation in water sports and international competitions.

04



Emergency Contact

Carry a readily accessible list of emergency contacts and their phone numbers.

05

PERSONAL ITEMS

01

Appropriate Clothing for Tropical Climate

Pack lightweight, breathable clothing suitable for hot and humid weather. Include casual wear for off-river time.

02

Swimwear

Essential for rafting and any other water activities.

03

Sunscreen

High SPF, water-resistant sunscreen is crucial to protect yourself from the strong Malaysian sun.

04

Hat

A wide-brimmed hat will provide additional sun protection for your face and neck.

05

Sunglasses

Bring sunglasses, preferably with UV protection. Consider a strap to keep them secure during activities.

06

Insect Repellent

Mosquitoes and other insects can be prevalent in tropical environments.

07

Personal Medications and Prescriptions

Bring an adequate supply of any personal medications you require, along with the prescriptions. Keep in their original packaging.

08

Toiletries

Pack all your personal toiletries.

09

Reusable Water Bottle

Stay hydrated by bringing a reusable water bottle that you can refill.

10

Small Backpack or Dry Bag

Useful for carrying essentials during training and competition.

11

Adapter for Electronics

Malaysia uses Type G power outlets. Bring an adapter if your devices use a different type.

12

Cash and Credit/Debit Cards

Ensure you have sufficient funds for personal expenses. Inform your bank about your travel dates.

13

Camera/Waterproof Camera (optional)

To capture memories of the event and your time in Malaysia.

14

Snacks (optional)

You may want to bring some familiar snacks, especially for training days.

15

Team Uniform/Attire

Don't forget your team's official wear for events and ceremonies.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS!

Check Official Communications: Always refer to the official IRF World Rafting Championship 2025 website and communications from the organizing committees for the most up-to-date information and any specific requirements.

Team Specific Needs: This checklist covers general items. Your team might have additional specific equipment or items to bring.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

01

REGISTRATION & ELIGIBILITY

Q: What is included in the official registration fee?	Airport transfer, accommodation (30th Nov to 7 Dec), meals, daily shuttle and race kit.
Q: When is the final deadline for team rosters and payment?	The deadline for submission is thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of your WRC Registration email.
Q: Where do we submit our final team roster and passport information?	Through the WRC Registration Form.
Q: What are the eligibility requirements for athletes (e.g., age, IRF membership)?	Validated by the country's rafting federation and IRF membership.

TRAVEL & LOGISTICS (GETTING THERE)

Q: What is the nearest major airport to the event venue in Gopeng?	Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA)
Q: How do we get from KLIA to Gopeng?	Public transportation such as car rental, bus or trains are available.
Q: Is ground transportation (airport transfers) provided by the Organizing Committee?	Yes, the organizing committees provides airport transfer for the delegates.
Q: How long is the travel time from KLIA to the accommodation area in Gopeng?	Driving will take approximately 2.5 hours to 3 hours via highway from KLIA to Gopeng.

ACCOMMODATION & MEALS

Q: Where will the teams be accommodated?	Teams will be assigned at designated Accommodation #1 & Accommodation #2.
Q: Are meals included, and what is the meal schedule?	Meals are provided from dinner on 30th November, 3 meals during event and breakfast on 7th December 2025.
Q: Can the Organizing Committee cater to specific dietary needs (e.g., vegetarian, halal, allergies)?	<p>Yes. The Organizing Committee will strictly follow the information and special requests as stated by your team on the official WRC Registration Form.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action for Teams: Teams must ensure all vegetarian requirements and critical food allergies are clearly detailed in the designated sections of the registration document. • Safety Priority: We use this information to coordinate with our catering partners, ensuring your meals are prepared safely and correctly throughout the event.
Q: Will a laundry service be available for teams?	No laundry services provided but there is laundry services at Gopeng Town.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



EARLY ARRIVAL & TRAINING	
Q: What is the official arrival date for all teams?	30th November 2025 as the Opening Ceremony will be held at 5:00pm in Gopeng town.
Q: We plan to arrive earlier than the official date (e.g., before Nov 30). How do we arrange accommodation and training?	Early arrival information deck can be obtained by email to secretariate@malaysiarafting.my .
Q: When and where will the official team practice/training sessions take place? Share the schedule and the river sections available.	The official team training will be held on 1st December 2025. Schedule is available on the WRC webpage: www.worldraftingchampionship.com
Q: Will rafts and safety equipment be provided for training and the race?	Equipment rentals are available for early arrival who wish to form training. Rafts will be provided by the organising committee only during the race.
COMPETITION & VENUE (RACER INFO)	
Q: Where can we find the Official Race Rules and Competition Schedule?	Race Rules is available on the IRF webpage and the race schedule is available on the WRC webpage.
Q: What are the river grading levels for the competition disciplines (Sprint, H2H, Slalom, Downriver)?	The river grading levels for the competition disciplines are Grade 3 to 4.
Q: Where is the Race Information/Secretariat office located?	Event Secretariat/Official Event Hub is located at the Riverside Camp.
Q: What is the official weather and water temperature for the competition dates?	Daytime highs are around 35°C (86°F) and nighttime lows are around 21°C (70°F).
CONTACT & EMERGENCY INFORMATION	
Q: Who is the main point of contact (Liaison Person) for logistics and registration inquiries?	Logistic: Aiman (+6019 434 8156) and Liaison & Registration: Adrena (+6010 246 4027).
Q: Who is the contact for emergency medical situations?	Medical: Azuan (+6017 313 5624).
Q: Where can teams purchase local currency and how far away is the nearest ATM?	Money Changer available in KLIA and the nearest ATM is located in Gopeng town which approximately 8km (17mins) from event location.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS & MEETINGS

Q: When and where will the Captain Meeting be held?	The Captain Meeting will be held at the Ulu River Lodge, 6:00pm.
Q: Are all Team Managers & Team Captain required to attend the Captain Meeting, or can a delegate attend in their place?	Based on the IRF Race Rules, Team Captain is compulsory to attend all the Captain Meeting.
Q: When and where is the official Opening Ceremony and Parade of Nations?	The Opening Ceremony will be held on 30th November 2025 from 5pm at Gopeng Town.
Q: When and where is the Closing Ceremony and Awards Banquet?	The Closing Ceremony and Awards will be held at the Official Event Hub, Riverside Camp.

FINANCIAL & LOCAL INFORMATION

Q: What is the local currency, and where can we exchange foreign currency?	The local currency is Ringgit Malaysia (RM) and the foreign currency can be exchanged at the money changer located in KLIA. Refer to “Local & Cultural Information” on Currency.
Q: Are credit cards widely accepted in Gopeng, or should we plan to use cash?	Cash is still the most widely accepted form of payment, especially at smaller establishments, food stalls (hawker centres), markets and local shops in areas like Gopeng. However, Malaysia is rapidly adopting cashless technology such as Touch 'n Go eWallet and GrabPay are the two dominant local payment methods, accepted everywhere.
Q: What is the average cost of a standard meal/drink outside the provided catering?	For purchases outside the official catering, the standard cost of a local meal is approximately RM10 and higher, with drinks starting from RM3.
Q: What is the emergency contact number (police, ambulance) in Gopeng/Malaysia?	Gopeng Police Station: +605 359 2222 / Gopeng Health Clinic: +605 359 3355.

COMMUNICATION & VENUE SERVICES

Q: Will Wi-Fi be provided at the accommodation and competition venues?	<p>Official Wi-Fi service will generally not be provided at the competition venues or official accommodation. However, staying connected is easy and affordable in Malaysia:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Connectivity Solution: Affordable prepaid Local SIM Cards are readily available for purchase at Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) and local stores near Gopeng/Kampar. • Cost: Prepaid SIM card packages, including voice and data, typically start from around RM10 and up, depending on the data plan you choose. • Recommendation: We strongly recommend purchasing a local SIM card upon arrival at event location to ensure seamless mobile data access throughout the WRC.
Q: What type of electrical plug/socket is used in Malaysia, and what is the voltage?	Malaysia uses the Type G electrical plug and socket, which has three rectangular pins. The standard voltage is 240V at a frequency of 50Hz.
Q: Where will the Official Notice Board be located for immediate updates, protests and race results?	At the Official Event Hub, Riverside Camp.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

LOCAL RULES & CONDUCT

<p>Q: Are there any specific cultural or conduct rules we should be aware of in the local community?</p>	<p>Malaysia is a vibrant, harmonious blend of many cultures and faiths. Observing a few simple customs while in public areas ensures a respectful and positive experience for everyone. Please refer to the Cultural Etiquette.</p>
<p>Q: Is smoking or consuming alcohol permitted at the official venues or accommodation?</p>	<p>Regarding local policies: Smoking is permitted, but only in designated areas—please be aware of all posted signage. Furthermore, alcohol consumption is prohibited at the official designated accommodation. Should you choose to consume alcohol at licensed off-site establishments, we request that you maintain discretion and refrain from doing so in general public areas as a mark of respect for our local Malaysian communities.</p>
<p>Q: What is the process for lodging a formal protest during the competition?</p>	<p>Please refer to the IRF Race Rules.</p>
<p>Q: How can spectators or family members purchase tickets or access the viewing areas?</p>	<p>You do not need to purchase tickets to watch the core racing events along the Kampar River. We encourage everyone to come and support the teams.</p>

VISA, IMMIGRATION & HEALTH REQUIREMENT

<p>Q: Do I need a visa to enter Malaysia for the WRC?</p>	<p>Visa requirements depend entirely on your country of citizenship. To determine if you require a visa to enter Malaysia, please kindly refer directly to the official Malaysia Immigration Department webpage. This is the most accurate and up-to-date source of information: https://www.imi.gov.my/index.php/en/main-services/visa/visa-requirement-by-country/</p>
<p>Q: If a visa is required, how do I request an Official Letter of Invitation?</p>	<p>If you discover that you do require a visa, please contact the WRC25 Liaison immediately at: adrena.sicilza@outlook.com</p>
<p>Q: Is there a requirement to complete a Digital Arrival Card (MDAC) before arrival?</p>	<p>Yes. All foreign delegates and spectators arriving in Malaysia are generally required to complete the Malaysia Digital Arrival Card (MDAC) before immigration clearance. The MDAC is a mandatory digital form that must be submitted within three (3) days prior to your arrival date. https://malaysiadac.visasyst.com</p>
<p>Q: Are there any mandatory vaccination certificates required for entry (e.g., Yellow Fever)?</p>	<p>Malaysia currently does not require mandatory vaccination certificates for general entry for most travelers. However, there is one important exception governed by International Health Regulations (IHR) which is Yellow Fever Vaccination Certificate (ICVP).</p>

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



MEDICAL & ANTI-DOPING POLICY

Q: What is the Anti-Doping Policy for the WRC?	The WRC 2025 is fully governed by the Anti-Doping Rules of the International Rafting Federation (IRF), which are 100% compliant with the World Anti-Doping Code (WADA Code).
Q: Where can I find the official WADA Prohibited List?	https://internationalrafting.com/anti-doping/
Q: How should athletes apply for a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE)?	If you require a TUE, you must apply by writing to IRF well in advance of the WRC.
Q: Will there be medical support staff on-site at the river venue and accommodation?	Dedicated medical team, including certified First Responders and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT), will be stationed at all high-risk areas. Rescue and swift-water paramedics will also be available, along with evacuation procedures for immediate transport.

INSURANCE & LIABILITY

Q: Does the WRC registration fee include medical or travel insurance for the athletes?	Medical or travel insurance is excluded from the WRC registration fee.
Q: Will teams be required to sign a liability waiver upon arrival?	The Release of Liability and Waiver is available on the WRC registration form which need to be submitted prior to the WRC event dates.
Q: Is the Organizing Committee responsible for damage to personal rafting equipment?	The organizing committee is not responsible for damage to personal rafting equipment.

SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Q: What is the WRC's policy on waste management and recycling at the venue?	Our policy is founded on the 'Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle' hierarchy, with the primary goal of keeping the Kampar River ecosystem pristine.
Q: Are teams permitted to use single-use plastics at the venue?	Zero Single-Use Plastic (Refuse/Reduce). We are a single-use plastic bottle-free event. All delegates are strongly encouraged to bring a reusable water bottle.
Q: What measures are in place to protect the Kampar River ecosystem during the event?	Our commitment to the river's ecosystem is enforced through three key operational pillars: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zero Impact Infrastructure & Access: Minimizing Footprints, Designated Access Point & Bank Stabilization.• Strict Pollution & Waste Control: No chemicals in the water, Containment & Zero Litter Goal• Post-Event Audit: environmental audit will be conducted immediately following the WRC.

OUR GOALS



SPORTING & OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE

These goals ensure the championship is world-class, fair and safe:

- Flawless execution
- Safety assurance
- Athletes experience
- Global Reach

SUSTAINABILITY & ENVIRONMENTAL LEGACY

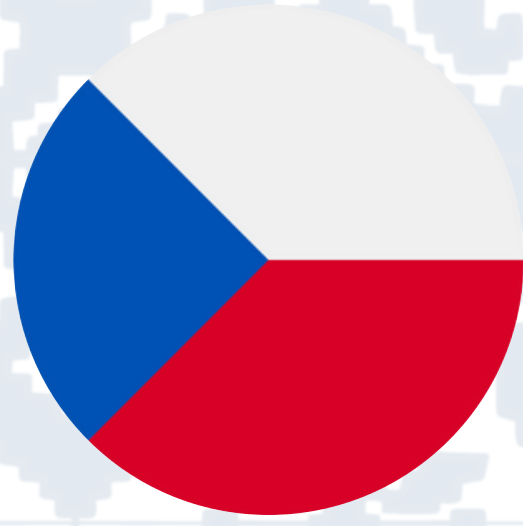
As a river sport, conservation is paramount. These goals focus on protecting the natural environment and promoting sustainable practices:

- River Conversation - Leave No Trace
- Waste Reduction
- Plastic Elimination
- Carbon Neutrality

SOCIAL LEGACY

These goals focus on the positive impact on Malaysia, the local community and the sport's future:

- Tourism exposure
- Youth development
- Sports promotion
- Economic benefit





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