



PADDLE EUROPE CANOE POLO EUROPEAN CUP



5-6 SEPTEMBER 2026



IDROSCALO MILANO





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INTRODUCTION

Dear National Federations, dear canoe polo friends,

The Paddle Europe has entrusted the Italian Canoe Federation, the city of Milan, and the Kayak Club of Idroscalo Club with the organisation of the 2026 Paddle Europe Canoe Polo European Cup.

We would like to thank the Paddle Europe for choosing the city of Milan as the host of this competition, and it is with great pleasure that we will welcome this event on 5th and 6th September 2026.

The Organising Committee and all volunteers have the know-how to ensure a high-quality competition and hope that this sporting event will remain an unforgettable experience for all canoe polo enthusiasts.

We wish everyone a very enjoyable time at this sporting event.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

KEY DATES

5 July 2026	Deadline for nominal entries (and meal reservation)
6 July 2026	Confirmation of entries by Organising Committee
August 2026	Timetable to the teams and federations
5 September 2026	Competition day 1
6 September 2026	Competition day 2

IDROSCALO MILANO AND ITS SURROUNDINGS

The Idroscalo di Milano was built between 1928 and 1930 as an airport for seaplanes used for Milan's international connections. It was constructed near Linate Airport and officially inaugurated in 1930 in the presence of Benito Mussolini. With the progress of aviation and the decline of seaplanes, the structure gradually lost its original function. In the following years, the area was transformed into a large space dedicated to sports, relaxation, and outdoor activities. Today, the Idroscalo is known as the "sea of Milan" thanks to its artificial lake, beaches, and green paths. It is one of the main meeting places for citizens and tourists, used for cultural events, concerts, and sports activities.





HOW TO GO TO IDROSCALO MILANO

Map:



By plane :

You can land off at the following airports and take a shuttle or public transport to reach Idroscalo club:

AIRPORT	DISTANCE	TIME
Milan Malpensa Airport	66 km	60 min
Milan Linate Airport	3 km	10 min
Orio al Serio Airport	50 km	40 min

Teams can book the transfer in advance writing an email to idroscalogare@gmail.com, the fee is per person and per boat, it depends on which airport the service is requested from.

- Linate Airport 5 € per person (one way)
- Bergamo Airport 15 € per person (one way, minimum 5 people)
- Malpensa Airport 20 € per person (one way, minimum 5 people)

In alternative, there is the possibility to take the public shuttle from the main airports to Milan.



ACCOMODATION

HOTEL	DISTANCE	TIME
Fasthotel Linate	4,4 km	6 min
Hotel Riviera	1,6 km	3 min
Moxy Milan	4,2 km	6 min
Best western Linate	4,5 km	6 min
Hotel Montini	5,0 km	8 min
Belstay Milano Linate	4,1 km	5 min

CATERING

Lunch and dinner are reserved by nation. Every meal is €15 per person. Please book the number of meals per nation **before July 5**. On-site catering will also be provided by the organizing committee. During your booking, report any intolerances, allergies or vegan and others diets.



SPORT INFORMATION

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

Friday, 4 September 2026	Accreditation, Equipment control, Team leaders meeting, ITO meeting
Saturday, 5 September 2026	Competition day 1
Sunday, 6 September 2026	Competition day 2, Podium

REGISTRATION

Please send us an email to the following address, before **2nd August 2026**:

idroscalogare@gmail.com

CANCELLATION TERMS

For any cancellation, money already paid to the Organising Committee won't be retrievable.

HOW TO PAY ?

Fees: 250 € per team and 150 € extra per missing Referee

The fees must be paid by bank transfer (SWIFT) according to the following conditions

- 100 % of fees when final registration is done
- Payment deadline: 5th July 2026
- Put the team's name in the comment (category and nation)

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Please be aware that possible fees resulting from bank transfer will not be taken in charge by the organising committee.



LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The enforceable regulation for the Paddle Europe Canoe Polo European Cup will be the same as for ICF World Championships. Please visit the Internet website: www.canoeicf.com

Specific doping regulations on Italian territory.

For any further information about these laws, please visit the website:

PEU CANOE POLO EUROPEAN CUP - SPECIAL RULES

1. Organisation

A. The Paddle Europe TD will choose a maximum of 2 tournaments from the host federation nominations.

B. Selected federations will announce entry dates to European Federations at least 4 months in advance of the competition. Details of entry and location should also be posted on the Paddle Europe website: <https://paddle-europe.eu/calendar/2026-paddle-europe-canoe-polo-cup-ii-646>

C. Only National Teams are allowed to enter the European Cup.

D. Applications to host a European Cup must come from a National Federation on behalf of the organizing committee. copy should be sent to the Paddle Europe Canoe Polo Technical Delegate (Paddle Europe TD) abaroni@paddle-europe.eu and be received by the Paddle Europe before 1st October in the year previous to the European Cup to be hosted.



3. National Representation

A. Each European Federation is allowed to nominate one national team in the following categories: Women, Men, U21 Men and U21 Women.

B. Each category of competition will count towards the overall points total if at least 5 nations are taking part.

C. "B"-teams and non Paddle Europe – affiliated Teams are allowed to enter – their results will not count towards the overall total for a nation.

D. A European Cup can still be played with less nations taking part however their points will not count to the overall total.

4. Invitations and Entries

A. Invitations are issued to each National Federation.

B. Entry forms must be returned by the closing date with the appropriate entry fee for the teams who will represent their federation.

C. All entries to the hosting federation must come from each National Federation with the appropriate Federation stamp and signed by their National Canoe Polo Chairperson.

D. Teams not fulfilling these requirements will have their entry forms returned and will be deemed ineligible to participate.

E. A copy of all entries must be sent to the Paddle Europe TD using the email abaroni@paddle-europe.eu

5. Player Eligibility

A. For player eligibility see ICF Rules Chapter 1 Point 3.

B. A player may compete in more than one category in all tournaments of the European Cup.

C. Mixed teams are not permitted.

D. The minimum age for a competitor is 15 years.



6. Referee's

- A. Each participating federation must provide one qualified ICF Referee for each category (Men, Women, U21 Men & U21 Women) in which the federation competes.
- B. If a federation enters all four categories the minimum number of ICF qualified referee's they need to provide is reduced to 3.
- C. The Referee only needs to be ICF qualified. They do not have to be from the participating federation.
- D. A new participating federation can ask the Paddle Europe TD for an exemption on providing a referee for 2 years.
- E. At the discretion of the chief Referee teams with special circumstances can apply to use a playing referee, the referee must be ICF registered.
- F. If a federation cannot provide the required number of referees they can still participate but only if they pay a fee of 150 € per missing referee.
 - a) This money must be used to cover the costs of finding and using a replacement referee.
 - b) It can also be used to provide food and accommodation for referee's who cover the duties of missing referees.
 - c) Any monies left over can be used by the Paddle Europe TD to further referee training and support within federations affiliated to the Paddle Europe.

7. Accreditation of players

- A. Players must present their passport or national identity card and insurance card at the accreditation office for each competition.
- B. Any Player who fails to do so will be declared ineligible for the competition

8. Competition Rules

- A. The competition will be played under the ICF Canoe Polo Rules, with the additional changes detailed below.
- B. Before the start of games all team's equipment will be scrutineered.
 - a) If a team plays a match before being scrutineered and their equipment subsequently fails when checked. The results of any games played before being scrutineered will be recorded as a win to the opposition.



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- C. All matches will be played with shot clocks.
- D. There will be no timeout after a goal apart from Semi-final and Final matches.
- E. Where possible Referee's should be from two different federations.
- F. Semi-finals and Finals must be played with line judges.
- G. The Jury will consist of 3 people nominated by the organising committee. The chairman should be either an ICF Canoe Polo Committee member or Paddle Europe TD.
- H. The competition committee will consist of 3 ICF referee's in attendance at the tournament. They will be responsible for dealing with protests.
 - a) Within 20 minutes of receiving the protest the chief referee will form the competition committee.
 - b) Referees who were involved with the game being protested cannot be part of the committee. They may be called to give evidence.
- I. If a player or coach receives a Red card in their last game of the tournament the team will be docked 5 points. The "next game" ban will be carried over to the next Paddle Europe cup in which they attend.
- J. The European Cup winners will be the team that attends both Paddle Europe CUPS and wins the most points in all valid European Cup tournaments.
- K. The following points will be allocated for each Paddle Europe cup:
 - a) 1st place = 25 points
 - b) 2nd place = 21 points
 - c) 3rd place = 18 Points
 - d) 4th place = 16 Points
 - e) 5th place = 15 Points and so on
- L. If there are teams with the same number of points after all Paddle Europe Cup tournaments the winner shall be decided as follows:
 - a) Goal difference in all Paddle Europe Cup tournaments.
 - b) Total number of goals scored in all Paddle Europe Cup tournaments.
 - c) Honourable play (total number of Red cards).
 - d) If the teams are still tied then an additional match must be played.

9. Entry Fee

- A. The entry fee per team (also "B" Teams and teams from out of Europe) is 250 € per tournament. This is paid directly to the tournament organiser.



B. Teams will only be accredited once the entry fee is paid.

10. Prizes

A. A winning Federation must return the trophy the following year.

B. The Competition Organizer would prepare the medals for each player in each category, 10 senior Men, 10 senior Women, 10 Men Under 21 and 10 Women Under 21. The label on the medal must include location, date and the category. It is not mandatory but recommended.

11. Results

A. A full set of results must be sent by Email to the Paddle Europe TD abaroni@paddle-europe.eu a copy should also be published on internet/social media.

12. Technical Delegate /Officials

A. The Paddle Europe will nominate a Technical Delegate who will control the running of the competition on behalf of the Paddle Europe.

B. Each host federation or host club will cover the travel and full accommodation cost for a technical visit and the competition.

C. The Paddle Europe Chief Referee will nominate a referee to act as chief referee at each event. The final decision will rest with the Paddle Europe TD.



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