

DRAGON BOAT SPORT INFORMATION GUIDE

1. Competition Dates

Dragon Boat competitions for Open Masters Games Como 2027 (CoOMG27) offers team events for men and women.

The provisional Dragon Boat competitions schedule for CoOMG27 is as follows and could be subject to change according to the requirements of the Organizing Committee and may be modified according to the total number of entries.

The Dragon Boat competition schedule is as follows:

21 Sep 2027	22 Sept 2027	23Sept 2027
Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
1.000 mt	200 mt	500 mt
09h00 – 17h00	09h00 – 17h00	09h00 – 17h00
Lago di Varese		

All information contained in this Sport Information Guide is current at time of publication and may be subject to change.

The Welcome Ceremony is scheduled for the afternoon of Saturday 18 September 2027 with the Farewell Ceremony on the evening of Sunday 26 September 2027.

1.1 Organising Committee

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE	SPORT FEDERATION	SPORT ASSOCIATION
Sport Management Bernardino Chiavola	Federazione Italiana Canoa Kayak CR FICK Lombardia Presidente Maurizio Lenuzza FIDB Presidente Antonio De Lucia	Società Canottieri Varese A.S.D. Presidente Paolo Consonni Sport Director Pier Paolo Frattini FIDB Technical Office Maura Dezi

1.2 Competition venue

Venue	Address	City
Lago di Varese	Via dei Canottieri 21	Varese

Schiranna Venue for Dragon Boat



The Dragon Boat competitions will take place in Schiranna locality situated on the shores of Varese Lake, in Lombardy, Italy. Schiranna is a world-class center, offering ideal conditions for the practice of this sport and hosting major international events. Lake Varese offers ideal conditions for Dragon Boat competition, with calm waters and a mild climate.

Schiranna Venue Map



2. Sport regulations

2.1 Age Categories

- **Men:** 40 - 49; 50 - 59; 60 – 69; 70+
- **Women:** 40 - 49; 50 - 59; 60 – 69; 70+
- **Mixed:** 40 - 49; 50 - 59; 60 – 69; 70+

2.2 Age is determined at 31 december 2027

- The age of the youngest paddler determines the age category of the crew

The Organizing Committee, in the case of small number of participants, reserves the right to group one age category with the one immediately above or below, provided that the awards remain for age category in the original age category entered.

Any matters not covered by this section are subject to the regulations set out by the International Dragon Boat Federation.

3. Competition Sport & Disciplines

The competition will be held under the auspices, rules and regulations of the International Dragon Boat Federation (IDBF) and the Italian Dragon Boat Federation (FIDB) and will conform to any special requirements of the International Master Games Association (IMGA).

3.1 Expected distances

- 1.000 mt
- 500 mt
- 200 mt

3.2 Sport Categories

- Open
- Mixed
- Female

4. Competition Rules

4.1 Crew Composition

- Minimum: 18 paddlers + 1 drummer + 1 helm = 20
- Maximum: 20 paddlers + 1 drummer + 1 helm = 22
For specific safety reasons, the Jury may allow a smaller crew: Minimum: 16 paddlers + 1 drummer + 1 helm = 18

4.2 Reserves

Each crew may nominate up to four reserve members for the entire competition, whose names must be submitted to the Race Committee together with the official crew list.

4.3 Restrictions

Only competitors who are officially registered for the competition and included in the crew lists are allowed to compete.

4.4 Competition Course

The racecourse must allow races of at least 1.000 meters in a straight line.

4.5 Racing Lanes

Each lane must be at least 9 meters wide. The racecourse must have a minimum of four lanes and may include up to a maximum of nine.

4.6 Start and Finish Lines

The start and finish lines, placed perpendicular to the racecourse, must be at least 50 meters long. They must be clearly marked on the water surface on both sides of the course, with intermediate markings every 250 meters between the start and finish lines.?

4.7 Course Markings

The start and finish lines must be marked on the water with red flags or buoys at the intersection points with the outer longitudinal lines of the course. Each lane must be marked from start to finish with buoys placed at intervals of no more than fifty meters. Each lane must be numbered at both the start and the finish. At least three racing lines must be available, allowing alignment for 4 to 6 boats and 4 racing lines for 7 to 9 boats.

4.8 Start Area and Starting Docks

Starting docks should be provided whenever possible to create a starting area behind the start line. Their position must ensure that the dragon's head is on the start line. Alternatively, fixed starting blocks located at the end of the racecourse may be used.

4.9 Measurement of the Racecourse

The length of the racecourse and intermediate distances must be precisely measured by a qualified official. A map of the course must be made available by the Organizing Committee to all participants.

5. Equipment

Competitors are recommended to rent boats through the organizer, for paddles and personal flotation devices nevertheless it will be possible to rent the equipment during the competition.

6. Uniforms

The Organizing Committee will not distribute sportswear for the dispute of the competitions.

7. Technical meeting

A Technical Meeting will take place before the start of the competitions to introduce the competitions, remind those involved of the regulations and the behavior that is expected.

8. Medals

In CoOMG27, the athletes do not represent their country of origin, therefore the prize-awarding ceremonies will be carried out without hoisting flags. No National Anthem of the winning team will be played. The medals will be provided by the Organizing Committee.

9. Additional information

- All information about practice and warm up will be available at a later stage.
- Disabled: No competition for disabled athletes will be held in this discipline.

10. Personal accident insurance and medical certificate

All participants must organize their personal accident insurance. The competitor registration fee does not cover personal accident insurance.

Personal accident insurance is available to purchase through the Organizing Committee for registered Competitors at the Accreditation Centre.

All participants must have a currently valid medical certificate of fitness for competitive sports. The medical examinations required (ex D.M. 18 February 1982) to obtain a medical certificate of fitness for competitive sports are:

- medical check-up;
- regular urine test;
- electrocardiogram both at rest and under effort;
- spirometry (breathing test).

For any further information please visit our website (Registration & Terms and Condition).

11. Doping Control

During the Open Masters Games Como Lake 2027 anti-doping controls will be carried out according to the World Masters Sport anti-doping policy and rules established by WADA (World Anti-Doping Agency).

12. Accommodation

Participants are free to select own accommodation according to own preference. To assist participants, an accommodation booking section offering special room rates for the Games is made available on the official website: www.mastersgamescomolake2027.it

13. Further information

The planning of the CoOMG27 Dragon Boat competition will continue throughout 2026 and early 2027. Additional sport specific operational information will be communicated to registered participants and updated in future additions of this Sports Information Guide.

All participants are encouraged to monitor the CoOMG27 website at www.mastersgamescomolake2027.it and other Games communication channels to find out all the latest information.

If you have any further sport specific questions, please send an email to info@omgcomo27.it