

2025

**NEXT GENERATION
RAFTING CUP
RİZE TÜRKİYE**

BULLETIN 1

1-6 September 2025



Invitation letter

Welcome Paddlers!

Dear Team Representatives and Rafting Enthusiasts,

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to the Next Generation Rafting Cup, which will take place in Rize from 1-6 September 2025. This special event will bring together athletes from around the globe to share thrilling moments and celebrate the spirit of rafting.

The Ardeşen Canoe and Rafting Course awaits you with its breathtaking natural beauty and challenging courses. These competitions will be a true testament to friendship, sportsmanship, and the essence of competitive spirit. Together, we will create memories to last a lifetime.

Your participation will undoubtedly elevate the success of this event, and we are honored to welcome you to Ardeşen. Wishing you all the best of luck, and we look forward to hosting you in this extraordinary location.

Welcome to the Next Generation Rafting Cup!

Alper Cavit KABAKÇI
President of Türkiye Canoe Federation



Important key dates

Competitions programme

Day	Activity
1 September 2025	- Accreditation
	- Slalom free training
	- Downriver free training
2 September 2025	- Slalom & RX Qualification Official Training - Downriver Official Training - Opening Ceremony & Cultural activity
3 September 2025	- RX Qualification
	- RX Senior (Knock-out stage)
4 September 2025	- Slalom
5 September 2025	- Downriver - Closing & Awards ceremony
6 September 2025	- Departure

Registration deadline

10 August 2025: **registration** on the [WRF platform](#)

To support the Local Organising Committee in the preparation of the event, the National Clubs are invited to register their Teams as soon as possible.

There is no limit for teams' number for each Club.

All athletes are required to hold a valid World Membership, which can be obtained through the online platform.

An athlete may compete in different categories. For each team a substitute can be registered. The substitute for a Mixed Teams has to be a woman.

Registration link: <https://theflow.rsportz.com/pages/events>

Categories

- Senior (Men, Women, Mix)
- U23 (Men, Women, Mix)
- Junior (Men, Women Mix)
- Para-Rafting (2LTA+2)

Location

It is located east side of the city and on the Firtına River. It is logically closed to the city center and 10km to nearest airport. There is hotels, dormitories, and rents around the course.



[Map Link](#)

How to reach Firtına

- Rize-Artvin Airport (10km, 10min by car)
- Trabzon Airport (120km, 1.30 hour by car)
- Batumi / Georgia Airport (80km, 1 hour by car)

Level of the race courses

It is an artificial course with Class III difficulty. The water level can be adjusted as needed. There is a 10-meter elevation difference between the first and last pools. The flow is usually 8–10 cubic meters per second.

The course is 600 meters long and at least 12 meters wide. It has 4 inner pools and 2 large pools at the start and finish.

The downriver race will take place on the upper side of the Fırtna Valley. The course is Class III/III+ and, depending on the water level, will be 5 or 7 kilometers long.

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Rules

The event will be organised in accordance with the WRF Sport Rules (www.worldrafting.com).

Participation Fee

The participation is free of charge.

Accommodation & Food

The tent area can accommodate more than 100 tents. Toilets are 24/7 open and it's free to use by people who stays. Kitchen and cafeteria area is open to use till 08:00-20:00.

During the September, air temperature is 22-25 Celsius. Rize is most known for rains so you should consider it. Also, water temperature is around 13-15 Celsius. Near the venue there is dormitories, hotels, rental apartments.

Food will be delivered free for everyone during the organization.

Security at the venue

All competitors as well as officials will have accreditation passes enabling their access to the designated areas. General security will be guaranteed by a local security agency.

It is not guaranteed any responsibility for missing equipment and other goods.

Access pass and parking

Parking places will be organised. Every team will be allowed to park one van with the trailer.

Water safety

Rescue service in the competition area will be organised during the competition days.

Medical Insurance

Organising Committee kindly asks all participants of the event to ensure medical insurance policy in their countries. Organising Committee will not cover any expenses in connection with hospital or dental treatment.

VISA

For visa applications get in touch with Türkiye Kano Federation.

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