



Canal du Midi Rallye



Regulations (reading mandatory)

Medical certificate

- The Canal du Midi Rowing Rallye is a n event for experienced rowers in a good shape (206 km + 48 locks).
 - This certificate must be supplied by non-rowers license holders.
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Participation Right

- Each participant must be a member of the de l'ATPPR. The subscription to the ATPPR is included in the fee for the Rallye.
 - The ATPPR is a member of the FFSA its purpose is to promote long-distance rowing. Therefore priority is given to rowing members; non rowing members will be accepted at a ratio of one non rower for each group of six rowers.
 - Each participant must possess an FFSA license or own national license and is therefore subjected to its rules (medical certificate, etc.). Otherwise, whatever their mode participation to the rallye, a one week licence will be delivered to members who do not possess one. Its cost is included in the fee for the Rallye.
 - Each under-age member needs a parent authorization, which must also be signed by the adult member who will be responsible for him/her during the week of the rallye, whether the parent or legal guardian is participating in the rallye or not.
 - The organization committee has the right to exclude any member who shows signs of incivility towards either people or equipment.
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Rallye principles

- The Canal du Midi Rowing Rallye is run in quad scull with coxswain.
 - The rallye is a five days event, each stage fo 30 to 50 km is split in two half days, an additional day is reserved for a regatta in Béziers and the return trip to Toulouse.
 - For safety reasons and good management of the Rallye, each boat is timed and therefore has a position in the final results.
 - Priority is given to the fastest crews.
 - Crew must carry they boat during the locks passage. They can help during the boarding process.
 - Respect to others participants and organisation is mandatory to insure safety and good ambiance during the Rallye.
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Safety – Assistance

- Safety during the rallye is ensured by members of the organization committee, riding their bicycles at the head, along and at the rear of the convoy, on each stage. They communicate between themselves and with the organizers by telephone.
- A medical team is present for all the time on the Rallye for daily health issues. In case of heavy injury, we call local rescue (SAMU, firemen,...)
- The tow-path is forbidden to motor vehicles, except in case of emergency.
- Every one must help anyone in danger according to their capacity and warn members of the organization as soon as possible.
- Crossing roads must be done with caution and respect to the road regulations.
- Driving members must have detailed maps (Green IFG n° 72 or 114).
- A nurse is present throughout the rallye for treatment of light wounds due to the competition (blisters, etc.). In case of greater wounds we will require the help of local medical services (physician, hospital, fire brigade, SAMU).
- **Each rower undertakes to respect the instructions of the organizers concerning safety in all situations (on the water, on the bank, on the roads, on the buses, etc.).**
- **It's forbidden to run during locks passage.**

The golden rule

We are covered by river navigation rules: all boats (barges, sailing boats, tourism boats) have right of way over our boats in every situation (while at rest, manoeuvring or at the locks).

Equipment

- Each participant provides and **insures** his/her own equipment.
 - Renting is possible in limited numbers.
 - Each boat must be equipped with a rope at the stern and bow, or with a bargepole, and decked at the stern.
 - Quad boats must be equipped with a reliable trolley to ensure passing of obstacles.
 - The ATPPR cannot be held responsible in case of theft of equipment.
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Specific conditions :

The Rallye du Canal du Midi is open to every experimented rower (***Regular practice during the year***).

- A rower can be replaced at any moment.
 - Rowers must carry their boats themselves from one side to other side of the locks.
 - Please respect all the participants in order to keep a smart ambiance to the Rallye.
 - Under 18 rower must be maximum 2 by crew.
 - Please leave the passage to quicker boats.
 - **DO NOT FORGET THAT ALL THE ORGANISATION ARE VOLOTARY AND PEOPLE TAKE VACATION FOR THE WEEK OF THE RALLYE**
 - ***Organization committee can modify or stop a crew if they estimate they can't continue safely for themselves or if they're disturbing too much the Rallye.***
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