



**World Rowing/Olympic Solidarity  
Youth Athlete Development Programme  
2025 Asian Rowing Beach Sprint Finals  
Zhoushan, China  
6th – 10th September 2025  
Development Bulletin No. 1**

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### Main Points of Contact

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### Introduction

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As part of its ongoing commitment to regional development, World Rowing regularly provides continent-focused opportunities to support Member Federations in their rowing development pathway and preparation for key continental and world events. These initiatives are designed to support and enhance athlete training, build local capacity, and advance coaching and technical education.

Prior to the 2025 Asian Rowing Beach Sprint Finals, and in close collaboration with Olympic Solidarity (OS), the Asian Rowing Federation (ARF), and the Chinese Rowing Federation (CRA), World Rowing is organising a Youth Athlete Development (YAD) Training Camp. The YAD training camp will take place from 06–10 September 2025, leading to the 2025 Asian Rowing Beach Sprint Finals to take place from 11–14 September 2025. Accordingly, athletes nominated for the camp are expected to also compete in the youth (U19) category of the 2025 Asian Rowing Beach Sprint Finals.

Olympic Solidarity will extend formal invitations to the National Olympic Committees (NOCs) that qualify for participation in the Youth Athlete Development Programme.

Member Federations not eligible for Olympic Solidarity support may still apply to attend the training camp; however, all associated costs must be borne by the applicants themselves.

**Please read** this bulletin carefully and send your application to Inas Hussein, [inas.hussein@worldrowing.com](mailto:inas.hussein@worldrowing.com) **no later than 10 July 2025** following the application process explained below.

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### Scope, Timeline & Application Process

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#### World Rowing Youth Athlete Development Training Camp

World Rowing strongly encourages MFs to prioritise under 17 (U17) athletes when selecting the athletes to propose for this camp, in line with the age criteria for YOG 2026.

However, under 19 (U19) athletes can also be proposed by the MFs given the event category as the camp represents a valuable opportunity to foster the growth and development of a new generation of rowing athletes. Many of these athletes may ultimately be considered and trained for the 2028 Olympic Games, which will also feature beach sprint rowing.

Arrival	6 September 2025
World Rowing Youth Development Training Camp	7-10 September 2025
2025 Asian Rowing Beach Sprint Finals	11-14 September 2025

**Note:** Athletes put forward for the training camp should also be entered to participate in event.

Invited NOCs/MFs can apply for 1 female and 1 male athlete; and 1 coach (male or female) by sending their full name, date of birth and a copy of their passport to Inas Hussein, [inas.hussein@worldrowing.com](mailto:inas.hussein@worldrowing.com) **no later than 10 July 2025**.



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MFs that are not eligible to receive support through the Olympic Solidarity Youth Athlete Development Programme, or those who wish to nominate additional athletes beyond the quota covered under the programme, are kindly advised that all related costs must be fully borne by the respective federation. This includes a camp fee of USD 100 per participant.

In addition, MFs are required to provide testing results as per the test performance protocol for the proposed athletes. Please submit your test performance results here: [Login | RowersDataBase \(rowingtest.com\)](https://rowingtest.com)

The test performance tutorial can be found here: [Rowing Test Tutorial - Tutorial](#)

For test performance programme related questions please contact the WR Lead Coaching Expert for Asia Chris Perry at [cxjperry@gmail.com](mailto:cxjperry@gmail.com).

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#### **Development Programme Support**

Invited NOCs/MFs whose applications have been accepted by World Rowing Development will benefit from the following support:

- **Local accommodation<sup>1</sup>**: Accommodation in shared rooms of the same gender for **a maximum of 5 nights per participant** with arrival on 6 September 2025. Competition and any additional days need to be supported by each Member Federation.
- **Meals**: Breakfast, lunch, dinner.
- **Coaching & Training support for athletes and coaches**
- **Educational Programme.**
- **Logistical support.**

MFs participating in the training camp at their own cost will receive:

- **Coaching & Training support for athletes and coaches**
- **Educational Programme.**
- **Logistical support.**

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#### **Accommodation**

The WR Development Programme participants will be housed at ***Boutique Area Resort***, which is the official designated hotel for the 2025 Asian Beach Sprint Finals.

Beyond the nights and team members supported through the World Rowing Development Programme, the price per person/per night for additional participants/nights is as follows:

- Twin room (two single beds): \$70 / person / day
- Single room (one king bed): \$110 / person / day

(The hotel fees include accommodation, and three meals a day)

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that, subject to room types and availability, athletes and coaches will be housed with other athletes and coaches of the same gender.



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### **Information on Visa Requirements**

Please refer to the 2025 Asian Rowing Beach Sprint Finals event bulletin attached.

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### **Transport/Airport of Arrival**

Please refer to the 2025 Asian Rowing Beach Sprint Finals event bulletin attached.

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### **Safety and Health of the Rowers**

It is a priority for World Rowing to preserve the health and safety of the athletes and coaches.

Camp participants need to submit a signed [WR Commitment Form](#).

For minor athletes, the athlete legal guardian needs to sign the WR commitment form on behalf of the athlete.

### **Swimming ability**

The ability to swim and stay afloat is essential for participants in water sports, such as rowing. The risk of tipping over or falling into the water in a rowboat can be dangerous if athletes are unable to stay afloat, and coaches need to be prepared.

Each rower taking part in the development programme shall ensure that they have a state of health and fitness which allows them to compete at a level commensurate with a world level event; and they have a basic swimming ability, including being able to swim 50 m and keep their head above water unassisted for three minutes.

Accordingly, prior to attending the Event, all national rowing federation officials need to verify athlete compliance with the safety and health of the rowers. Likewise, all rowers, unless they are athletes who are known to have already performed the capsize drill, must have completed the capsize drill with safe recovery.

Swim tests and capsize drills must be held in pools with at least two lifeguards present. World Rowing recommends that you contact your national swimming federation and ask for guidance, if necessary. Swim tests should never be conducted in open water. Each national federation is required to certify the swimming ability for each rower submitted to participate in a World Rowing development activity.

It is recommended that members of the federation carefully read the guidelines of the British federation on swimming competitions found in section 3.6 of RowSafe, available at the link below:

<https://www.britishrowing.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/2023-RowSafe.pdf>

Please note that all rowers must have completed a pre-competition health screening as per the World Rowing rule book.

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### **Insurance & Liability**

The participants are responsible for insurance costs of equipment and persons. World Rowing and the Organising Committee declines all liabilities for all kinds of damage in the area of the regatta. Participants are solely responsible for themselves, and the material used. The OC is not responsible for damages that may occur in China.

Each Member Federation shall ensure that it has adequate and appropriate insurance cover in place for each of its rowers and accompanying team officials (including delegates) for at least the duration of the event and



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the period of travel to and from. We refer to Rule 15 – insurance on the [WR rule book](#) for “adequate and appropriate insurance cover”.

It is mandatory that all participants have medical and incident insurance abroad.

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### **Safeguarding & Wellbeing**

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World Rowing believes that it is a fundamental right of all individuals involved with World Rowing to be able to participate in a non-violent, safe, and respectful environment.

World Rowing acknowledges its duty of care in this regard and is committed to creating and supporting an environment and a culture free from harassment and abuse. The welfare of all individuals involved with World Rowing is paramount.

All forms of harassment and abuse constitute a violation of the World Rowing Code of Ethics, World Rowing Safeguarding Policy, and the International Olympic Committee (IOC) Code of Ethics. Thus, all behaviours and actions that constitute harassment and abuse will not be tolerated.

All MFs participating in the YAD Camp must ensure that their delegations (including officials, coaches, and athletes) respect and follow the World Rowing Safeguarding Policy. They should refrain from any behaviour that constitutes any form of discrimination, abuse or harassment to others. They have a duty to report any concerns about or allegations of discrimination, abuse or poor practice via proper reporting channels.

Violation of the World Rowing Safeguarding Policy and Code of Ethics can result in formal disciplinary sanctions.

You can learn more information about the World Rowing Safeguarding Policy and Procedures from the following link: [Safeguarding - World Rowing](#)

### **World Rowing Development Team**