

NEW

LOCATION

BULLETIN 1



**11th VENICE
INTERNATIONAL
DRAGON BOAT
FESTIVAL**
6 - 7 June 2025



2025

GREETINGS FROM THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE

The Organising Committee (O.C) of the Venice International Dragon Boat Festival is honoured to welcome your team to Venice and to its unique lagoon.

The O.C has as its reference the sports club Venice Canoe & Dragon Boat, the first dragon boat club in Venice. Founded in 2003, Venice Canoe has had over 30,000 people try dragon boating - children, students, athletes, managers, breast cancer survivors etc.

The O.C is supported by the company Venice Sport Events®, leader in Venice and in Italy in organising Team Building events with dragon boats and also in the realisation of important national and international

canoe and dragon boat competitions www.venicesporevents.com.

The idea of holding a dragon boat Festival in Venice came about in 2009 but it wasn't until 2012 that the first edition was held. The thread which links these events is the deep connection between Venice and China created by the Silk Road and the great Venetian traveller, Marco Polo. Until 2018 the Festival was held every two years.

The 11th edition will be held on Friday 6th June 2025 in Venezia-Mestre (location San Giuliano) and on Saturday 7 June 2025 in Venice Historical Centre (location Sant'Alvise).





IMPORTANT INFO

Organising Committee:

Dragon Boat Italia / Venice Canoe & Dragon Boat asd / Venice Sport Events in collaboration and with the support of the Venice City Council, Canoa Club Mestre asd, Associazione Nuovo Polo Nautico Venezia and Sports Centre Sant'Alvise ssd arl.

e-mail: venicedragonboat@gmail.com - info@venicesportevents.com

Organiser Manager: Mr. Andrea Bedin (cell. 334.9566321)

Time-keeping: in charge of the Organising Committee

Race Course: 4 lanes for the 200m races; race course with turns for the 2000m races

Distance: 200 and 2000 metres.

PROGRAMME

PUNTA SAN GIULIANO - VENEZIA/MESTRE

Friday 6 June 2025 afternoon

Festival/Regatta 200m – STANDARD and SMALL DRAGON

VENEZIA SANT'ALVISE

Saturday 7 June 2025

Festival/Regatta 2000m – STANDARD DRAGON



VENICE INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL TECHNICAL ASPECTS (RACES)

Team Categories:

- Breast Cancer Survivors (B.C.S.)
- Women (only female paddlers)
- Open
- Mixed (min 8 women in a standard dragon boat and minimum 4 women in a small boat)
The Drummer (must be a minimum of 15 y.o.) and the Sweep can be either male or female.

Boats accepted: Standard Dragon Boat and Small Dragon.

N.B.: The Organising Committee will provide the participants with one or more sets of standard Dragon Boats (IDBF/ICF approved) – complete with paddles, drum, sweep oar and PFDs (life jackets).

In the event of adverse weather conditions, the Organising Committee reserves the right to vary the start time or suspend the event.

The Organising Committee declines all responsibility for any accidents or damages that may occur to the participants and/or accompanying persons or that were caused by the said persons to people or property before, during and after the event.

The programme is provisional and the Organising Committee reserves the right to communicate any variations.

Registration: should be completed using the attached forms proposed by the Organising Committee and should be emailed to venicedragonboat@gmail.com.



VENICE INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

REGISTRATIONS OPEN: 15th JANUARY 2025

Registration Fee

Caution amounts

A caution amount of Euro 300 should be sent during pre-registration together with the Registration Form. This amount will be refunded after the regatta and will act as a guarantee for any eventual damages to boats and/or loss of equipment (paddles, PFDs etc). **The teams who have already paid a caution for services connected to the Vogalonga, do not need to send this amount.**

Costs and deadlines for participation in the 2025 Festival

- From 15/01/2025 to 02/06/2025, Euro 40.00 per person, including steerer and drummer.

The fee includes: registration for the Festival, use of boats and equipment for the Festival, gadget.

Bank Details

Payment of the registration fee should be made via bank transfer to the following account:

Beneficiary: **VENICE CANOE & DRAGON BOAT ASD**

Bank: **Banca Prealpi San Biagio** - Filiale di Venezia-Mestre - Viale Ancona 13

Iban: IT 96 A 08904 02000 041000001079

BIC/SWIFT: CCRTIT2TPRE

Account: 041000001079

Description: caution and/or registration fee for ____ people for participation only
Friday/only Saturday/ Friday and Saturday - Festival 2025 - Team Name.

IMPORTANT: All bank transaction fees are to be paid by the sender.





VENICE INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL SERVICES

ACCOMMODATION – If you have any particular difficulties in finding accommodation, contact us via email at venicedragonboat@gmail.com.

There are various types of accommodation in and around Venice, from camping grounds to luxury hotels. You can find the information on **Venezia Unica** Official City of Venice Tourist and Travel Information - <http://www.veneziaunica.it/en>.

TRANSPORT - For those who arrive by plane and/or train:

we suggest you reserve your accommodation as soon as possible in the hotels, the B&B and guest houses in Venice's historical centre and/or Mestre near the tram line.

INDICATION FOR FRIDAY 6 JUNE 2025

Teams will gather at the Polo Nautico Punta San Giuliano, located at Punta San Giuliano 15, Venezia-Mestre.

The regatta course will be located in the lagoon in the Seppa Basin, not far from the cranes which put the boats into the water.

For those do not have a car (for 06/06/2025): coming from Venice, the tram stop "SAN GIULIANO" is the first stop after Liberty Bridge, while if you are heading towards Venice (P.le Roma), it is the last stop before the bridge. From the tram stop, it is about a 10 minute walk through the San Giuliano park towards the lagoon.

For those who arrive by car (for 06/06/2025): using your navigator, search for "Venezia Mestre Punta San Giuliano". There is a parking area just before the entrance of the Polo Nautico (Porta Gialla). If you will be bringing your own gazebo, please let us know and we will send a shuttle to pick it up and transfer it to the athlete's area, which can only be reached by foot.

Parking for cars and minivans (for 06/06/2025): all information can be found at: <https://avm.avmspa.it/en/content/san-giuliano-car-parks-0>. The Porta Gialla parking area is closest to the race venue.

SERVICES (for 06/06/2025): Hygiene services are available in various points in the athlete's area. In this area, there are no shower facilities. We are verifying whether it will be possible to use the facilities of the local clubs.

INDICATIONS FOR SATURDAY 07/06/2025

Teams will meet at the Sant'Alvise Sports Centre located in Venice, Cannaregio 3163, which is next to the **Sant'Alvise waterbus stop**.

You can reach the Sports Centre by foot from Santa Lucia Railway Station in about 15 minutes, from Piazzale Roma in about 20 minutes and from Tronchetto in about 30 minutes. The race course will be set up in the lagoon, not far from the Sant'Alvise Sports Centre.

For those who arrive by car (07/06/2025): using your navigator, search for "Venezia Tronchetto" or "Venezia Parcheggio Comunale". These are the car parks in Venice. Other parking areas can be found on the mainland (eg San Giuliano) but keep in mind the longer travel time to get to the sports centre.

Parking information can be found at:

P.le Roma Comunale Car park <https://avm.avmspa.it/en/content/autorimessa-comunale-1> (about Euro 35 per day)

Tronchetto - <https://www.interparkingitalia.it/en/find-parking/Venezia-Tronchetto/> (about Euro 26 per day)

SERVICES (for 07/06/2025) – Hygiene and shower facilities are available.

ENTRY FORM

Name of Team/Club Representative

Mr./Ms/Mrs _____ (name and surname)

Contact: cell. _____ e-mail _____

Team/Club name _____

Country _____ Website: _____

Club Address _____

Page www.facebook.com/ _____ Account Instagram _____

We would like to participate in the Festival with the following team/s:

	Standard 200m	Small 200m	Standard 2000m
B.C.S.			
Women			
Open			
Mixed			

Please attach a copy of the Bank transfer of the Euro 300 caution amount which will be refunded after the conclusion of the Festival.

REQUEST

If it is your first participation in the Festival, for our archives and to present your team and/or your club we ask you to send us a brief description (max 500 characters), some photos (max 5 photos at a max of 1MB each) and the link to one of your videos published on YouTube. The images and texts sent to us will be used to publicise your participation in the events.

Before signing, remember to put 'Like' on our Facebook page
www.facebook.com/venicedragonboat
 so that you can receive all our updates, photos and videos.

Date _____

Signature _____

e-mail: venicedragonboat@gmail.com
 Facebook [@venicedragonboat](https://www.facebook.com/venicedragonboat) - Instagram [#venicedragonboat](https://www.instagram.com/venicedragonboat)

REQUESTED SERVICES SUMMARY

CLUB/TEAM NAME _____

ACCOMMODATION – YES, we are interested in receiving information about the services and to reserve our accommodation IN __/__/____ (arrival date) OUT __/__/____ (departure date) with

- ☐ half- board (room, breakfast and dinner) or
☐ bed and breakfast only

Mettere una "X"

The number of people interested are _____ (indicate exact number)
 with the following type of rooms:

n. ____ singles , n. ____ twins (2 single beds), n. ____ doubles (1 bed),
 n. ____ triples.

OTHER REQUESTS:

MEALS – YES, we are interested in receiving information about:

- ☐ lunch 06.06.2025, n. ____ pax
☐ lunch 07.06.2025, n. ____ pax

AREA RESERVED FOR THE SECRETARY

REQUEST RECEIVED ON __/__/____ (date request received and/or booked)
