



# ICF CANOE MARATHON WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

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## GREETINGS FROM THE MAYOR

Győr has always been home to the training of sport icons: lots of champions have started their sports career or arrived to the top of it here. In the „City of Rivers” kayak and canoe competitors of Győr representing the most successful sport branch of Hungary have several times achieved smashing victories and classified very well in prestigious competitions. Upbringing of youth teams has always been a priority to Győr, so development in sports life is unbroken here. Probably it is not just a pure coincidence that Győr can be home to such an important event in the kayak and canoeing sport for the third time, and also host to the first paracanoe competitions.

I hope that our Guests will have time to discover the beauties of our City and have some days full of sports events and wonderful experiences.



**Zsolt Borkai**

Mayor



## BEFORE BREAKTHROUGH

In 2015 the marathon canoe racing returns to Győr, the town of waters, where after 1999 and 2007 we can host the world championships in this discipline exceptionally already for the third time. The Hungarian canoe sport at the peak of its success is getting ready for the big shot, as we wish to organise the best ever marathon race in September, which marvels the whole world.

The county seat of West Hungary really has excellent water features, the races run almost through the downtown area. And Győr is moreover a real sport town, where great many fans know and follow the events of the canoe sport and where full support is given to such big-scale events.

Besides the on-site service offered to the spectators we wish to make canoe racing exciting for the TV viewers as well. The spectacular coverage of road biking events has already proved that even long-distance sport races can be perfectly broadcasted. We plan to cover the races of the marathon world championships with drone cameras for the first time in the history of canoeing, thus you can follow the rivalries of physics, tactics and mind, water battles, which so far have remained hidden for the spectators. If we manage to properly package the discipline for the viewers, the breakthrough on global level can be ensured for the marathon canoe racing.

Another essential new feature is that at the world championships as a pioneer we also stage races in paracanoe in Győr for the first time in the history of the discipline. We are confident that athletes with a handicap will be able to discover the beauties of canoe racing in growing number in the years to come.

See you at the ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships in Győr, the town of waters in September 2015.

Yours truly,

**Dr. Etele Baráth**

President, Hungarian Canoe Federation



# TO ALL NATIONAL FEDERATIONS AFFILIATED TO THE ICF

## DEAR SPORT FRIENDS,

The Hungarian Canoe Federation is pleased to invite you to take part in the ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships to be held in Győr on the river Mosoni-Duna in 2015. Having staged several world events with great success the Hungarian Canoe Federation is proud to host the most prestigious marathon kayaking and canoeing event for the third time.

In this Bulletin we wish to summarize the most vital and useful bits of information not just on the competition, board, lodging and the services included in the participation fee but also on the city of Győr.

You are kindly requested to read it thoroughly and familiarize yourself with the forms annexed to this Bulletin all of which will also be available to download from the official website of the competition. Please do not forget to fill them out through the online entry system and also by regular mail in conformity with the prevailing ICF rules until the deadlines indicated, thus helping us processing the data and organizing an event that lives up to everyone's expectation.

All the marathon kayak-canoe competitions in Győr are usually accompanied by huge crowds along the banks and on the bridges spanning the rivers cheering for the athletes no matter what country they are from. We expect these crowds to be there again in September, 2015 and of course we expect YOU to be there and witness the Marathon World Championships that hopefully will be the grandest our sport had seen so far.

You can reach the official website of the competition from January 2015 at [www.gyor2015.com](http://www.gyor2015.com) or via the homepage of the Hungarian Canoe Federation: [www.kajakkenusport.hu](http://www.kajakkenusport.hu)

## Gusztáv Kadler

Chairman of the Organizing Committee





## GYŐR

One of the most populated and richest cities in terms of monuments lies in the middle of the road between Vienna and Budapest, in the estuary of the rivers Moson-Danube, Rába and Rábca. This is a dynamically developing city and a significant economic, cultural, educational and sports centre.

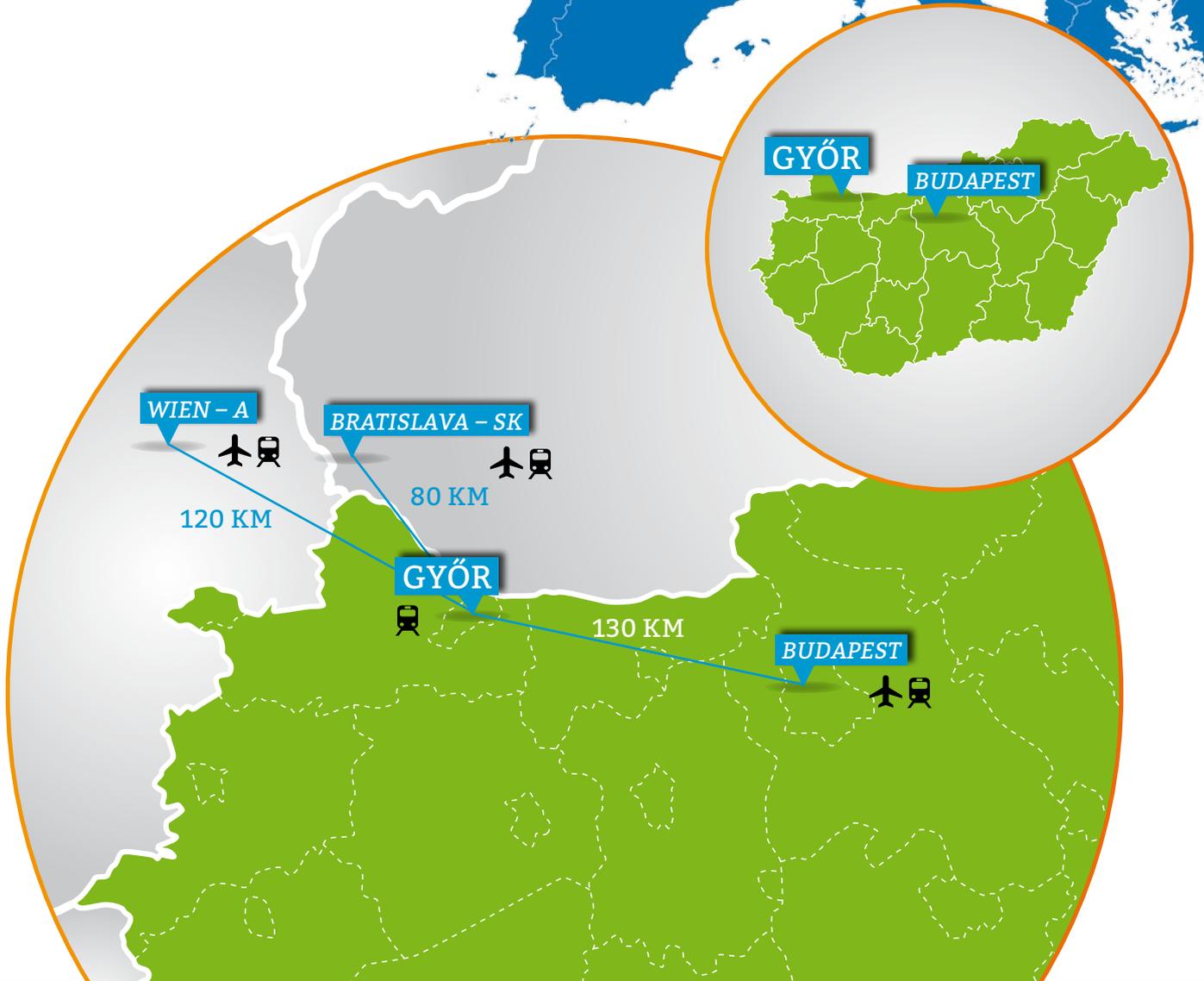
There are several visitors who fall in love with Győr at the first sight. And there are people, who spend some time here and realize that Győr can only be loved. Beautiful baroque style buildings of the downtown, river banks inviting you to have a walk there, cosy terraces of restaurants and the colourful cultural life are ingredients of an unforgettable stay in Győr. Visitors wanting to relax are invited to enjoy the 67 degree C thermal water with its healing effect. Through its superior services, the multifaceted Spa and Water Park offers great possibilities for active recreation, healing and relaxation. Water-lovers can have a wonderful time taking a ride on rafts, going for a stroll on the Radó Island or cheering on the 'Golden Beach' for the kayak-canoeists, rowers or dragon boats who are competing. Lovers of ball-games are promised to have a good time watching matches of the green-whites; the AUDI ETO KC female handball team of Győr won the Champions League for the second time; and the football, the female basketball and the futsal players also have matches every weekend.

To sum up, Győr is a real multicolour city with a unique sports life, so opportunities for entertainment are guaranteed for everyone!

# LOCATION

Győr, Hungary

*Borders and airports*



## EVENTS

The competition programme includes 17 events of a regular Marathon World Championships

AGE GROUPS	DISCIPLINES	DISTANCE	LAPS	PORTAGES
<b>SENIORS</b>	K1, K2	30,0 km	7+short	7
	WK1, WK2	26,1 km	6+short	6
	C1, C2	26,1 km	6+short	6
	WC1	22,2 km	5+short	5
<b>U23</b>	K1	26,1 km	6+short	6
	WK1	22,2 km	5+short	5
	C1	22,2 km	5+short	5
<b>JUNIORS</b>	K1, K2	22,2 km	5+short	5
	WK1, WK2	18,3 km	4+short	4
	C1, C2	18,3 km	4+short	4
	WC1	14,4 km	3+short	3

## VENUE / COURSE

The course will be laid out on Mosoni-Duna and in the heart of Győr. One part of the course will lead in a natural area and the other in an urban area.

The start and finish line and the portage will be in the same area. There is no portage in the first lap for all categories. Starting will be from a pontoon with boat-holders assigned to each competitor. A portage 100m long will be placed on the bank of the river near the finish line. Both ends of the portage will be a sandy beach so no pontoons will be used for getting in and out. The portage areas will be clearly shown by barriers and marked with red and yellow marks at the disembarkation and embarkation places. The disembarkation and embarkation will be on sandy beaches. The portage will allow at least four K2's to be portaged simultaneously.

There will be electronic time keeping with chips carried by the participants and photo-finish at the finish line.





Turning point: full lap

Turning point: short lap

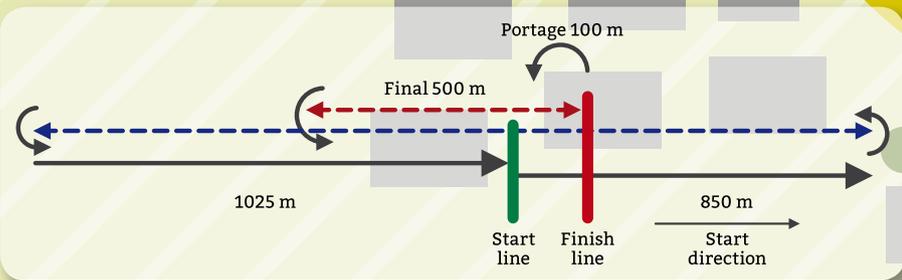
Full lap length apprx. 3.9 km  
Last short lap 2.7 km

Portage

Start

Finish

Turning point:  
full and short lap



# PRELIMINARY COMPETITION PROGRAMME

## 7<sup>th</sup> of September (Monday)

Accreditation open

## 9<sup>th</sup> of September (Wednesday)

Masters Marathon World Cup single races

Paracanoe races

Boat control

## 10<sup>th</sup> of September (Thursday)

Masters Marathon World Cup double races

Paracanoe races

Boat control

14:00 Team leaders meeting

Officials meeting

Opening Ceremony

## 11<sup>th</sup> of September (Friday)

09:00 K1 Women Juniors

09:05 C1 Women Seniors

09:10 C1 Women Juniors

11:30 K1 Women U23

11:33 C1 Men Juniors

14:45 K1 Men U23

14:48 C1 Men U23

## 12<sup>th</sup> of September (Saturday)

09:00 K1 Men Juniors

09:03 K2 Women Juniors

11:30 K1 Women Seniors

11:35 C1 Men Seniors

14:45 K1 Men Seniors

## 13<sup>th</sup> of September (Sunday)

09:00 K2 Men Juniors

09:05 C2 Men Juniors

11:30 K2 Women Seniors

11:33 C2 Men Seniors

14:30 K2 Men Seniors



## ENTRIES / ACCREDITATION

To complete all entry and booking forms you have to use two separate systems.

For the numerical, nominal entries and accreditation you have to use the ICF entry system (ISIS).

For the preliminary entry, accommodation booking, boat rental you have to use the system of the Organizing Committee. You can reach our online Competition Management System on <http://entry.mkksz.hu>. To use it you need to send an email to [registration@mkksz.hu](mailto:registration@mkksz.hu) first. In response you will receive a username and a password. It is essential to obtain it - even if you have previously used our system for other races - as this will activate your access to this specific event.

Please make sure you include all your paddlers personal details to make sure the commentators can tell spectators all about them and their previous successes.

The systems will automatically display the next deadline you need to observe. Nevertheless the Organizing Committee will surely contact you before upcoming deadlines so you can keep them as they are:

<b>Bulletin No 2.</b>	30 <sup>st</sup> June 2015
<b>Preliminary Entry/Hotel Reservation</b>	30 <sup>th</sup> March 2015
<b>Boat rental</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> May 2015
<b>Numerical Entry/Final Hotel Reservation</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> July 2015
<b>Nominal Entry</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> August 2015
<b>Final Travel Info</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> August 2015

### *Please note!*

The online entry system will automatically close down on the 28<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 24.00 hours (CET).

(For help with the online system of Organizing Committee you can always contact the administrator directly at: [registration@mkksz.hu](mailto:registration@mkksz.hu) or the Hungarian Canoe Federation ([info@mkksz.hu](mailto:info@mkksz.hu)).

### *Athletes' eligibility*

Please observe the Canoe Marathon Competition Rules upon submitting entries!

3.4 The first year a junior competitor can compete is the year in which his/her 15<sup>th</sup> birthday falls, and the last year he/she may compete as a junior is the year in which his/her 18<sup>th</sup> birthday falls.

The first year an Under 23 competitor can compete is the year in which his/her 15<sup>th</sup> birthday falls, and the last year he/she may compete as a junior is the year in which his/her 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday falls.

## BOARD / LODGING

### Participation Fee\* (*WITHOUT accommodation and catering*)

**Participation fee of EUR 32/person/day from the day of your arrival which includes the following services:**

- Accreditation
- Shuttle bus service connecting the regatta course and the official hotels
- Right of common and operational costs of the venue
- Medical care at the course
- Security service at the competitors area
- Fully comprehensive insurance of the event
- Special seats for the Opening Ceremony
- Access pass and parking for one trailer and one accredited vehicle (up to 3,5t)
- Mineral water during the competition days (11-13. September)

The Organizing Committee cannot be held responsible for the quality and price of individually reserved accommodation.

### Participation Fee (*participation with accommodation and catering*)

Participation fee as well as accreditation fee is to be paid for the length of your team's stay when the services (listed below) are provided. For bookings outside this period please see the chapter on training camps.

**The Participation Fee includes the following services:**

- Accreditation
- Accommodation in the selected category
- Three meals per day
- Shuttle bus service connecting the regatta course and the official hotels
- Right of common and operational costs of the venue
- Medical care at the course
- Security service at the competitors area
- Fully comprehensive insurance of the event
- Special seats for the Opening Ceremony
- Access pass and parking for one trailer and one accredited vehicle (up to 3,5t)
- Mineral water during the access period

#### **\* Please note!**

Those making alternate arrangements for accommodations are subject to pay participation fee based on the number of days attending the event.



## CONSIDERING DIFFERENT CATEGORIES AS FAR AS ACCOMMODATION THE PARTICIPATION FEES ARE AS FOLLOWS

### **1. Category 1 (\*\*\*\* star hotels with A/C)**

- a. Single room 140 EUR/person/day
- b. Double room 110 EUR/person/day

### **2. Category 2 (\*\*hotels, motels, guest houses and inns)**

- a. Single room 120 EUR/person/day
- b. Double room 95 EUR/person/day

### **3. Category 3 (\* and \*\* hotels, motels, guest houses and inns)**

- a. Single room 110 EUR/person/day
- b. Double room 85 EUR/person/day

### **4. Category 4 (youth hostels, \* hotels, motels, guest houses and inns)**

- a. Single room 90 EUR/person/day
- b. Double, triple or quadruple room 75 EUR/person/day

Please keep in mind that because of limited availability of hotel rooms in various categories reservations will be accepted on a 'first-come, first-served' basis which means your team will be redirected to a different category than initially requested if there is not enough space left in the required category.

The Organizing Committee does not take responsibility for any extra service of the hotel, like minibar, telephone, parking, etc., these costs are to be paid directly to the hotel. In case your team would cause any damage to the rooms you are to pay for it on the spot or else our federation will send you the invoice for the cost of the damage afterwards.

Check-in time is 14:00. The rooms are to be vacated before 11:00 AM on the day of departure. (Upon request the hotels will provide storage rooms for an additional fee.)



## AIRPORT TRANSFER

Neither the Accreditation nor the Participation Fee includes transfer from airports to and from Győr.

### **For teams that**

- booked their transfer needs until the 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2015
- are larger than 3 people and
- arriving together at the same time

We offer the transfer between Budapest, Vienna, and Bratislava - Győr for 20 EUR/person/one way. For those teams that book after the 28<sup>th</sup> August the price will increase to EUR 27/person/one way.

Individuals and teams of 3 or less requiring transfer should contact the Organizing Committee for a custom price.

In case the exact departure time of your entire team is not known by the time of accreditation the transfer fee will increase to 27 EUR/person for the return leg.

### ***Please note!***

We prefer that you arrange to arrive at Vienna Airport.

## TERMS OF PAYMENT

The participation fees are to be paid in the following installments:

- **40%** by the 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2015
- **30%** by the 28<sup>th</sup> July, 2015
- **30%** upon arrival

**Bank:** MKB Bank

**Account No:** 10300002-50801762-26304888

**BIC CODE:** MKKB HU HB

**IBAN:** HU88 1030 0002 5080 1762 2630 4888

**Beneficiary:** Magyar Kajak-Kenu Szövetség, 1138 Budapest, Latorca u. 2, Hungary

***Please do not forget about the transaction fees. It is your responsibility to pay these extras when transferring money to our bank account.***

The booking shall be provisional until the first installment has arrived to our bank account hence the Organizing Committee reserves the right to alter or cancel the reservation until that time. With the arrival of the first installment it shall be a confirmed reservation. An updated pro forma invoice will be sent by the Organizing Committee verifying the arrival of any money to our bank account.

### Accepted methods of payment at accreditation

- Cash (only Euros and US Dollars are accepted)
- Visa and MasterCard credit cards
- We do NOT accept Travelers' Cheque

***Please note there is no money exchange at the venue!***

### Cancellation terms

Should you cancel your booking, a charge will be made equivalent to any loss suffered by the Organizing Committee, as itemized below. The amount of any cancellation fee will be calculated as a percent of your FULL participation fee according to the following period of notice given:

- No forfeit if cancelled until 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2015
- 30% forfeit if cancelled in the period 7<sup>th</sup> July-20<sup>th</sup> July, 2015
- 50% forfeit if cancelled in the period 21<sup>th</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2015
- 100% forfeit if cancelled from the 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2015





## VISA

All participants are kindly requested to contact the Hungarian Embassy or Consulate in their home country. Be aware that visa applications may take some time to process. Please send requests for supporting documents to your visa application to the Organizing Committee without any delay once specified by the Hungarian Embassy or Consulate. We will contact the Hungarian Embassy in your home country directly.

## INSURANCE

All official participants of the World Championships are strongly advised to take out a medical insurance policy in their respective countries.

## MEDICAL CARE

The following medical services are available for all official participants of the World Championships: doctor on duty, hospital and clinic assistance. A medical centre will operate at the regatta course with ambulance and first aid. The costs above the regular first aid, ambulance and physiotherapeutic services are to be covered by your medical insurance policy, the Organizing Committee is not responsible to cover your expenses in connection with hospital treatment, dental treatment or any other medical treatment.

## BOAT TRANSPORTATION

Please contact Your Chamber of Commerce or Customs Office to obtain the accurate information regarding the documents necessary for boat transportation.

## BOAT RENTAL

The Organizing Committee has a limited number of marathon boats available for rental purposes (Nelo, Plastex and other Hungarian brands). You may request rental boats by filling the online form until 18<sup>th</sup> May. Upon receiving the boat rental form 50% of the rental fee will be added to the pro-forma invoice as it must be paid in advance as a deposit along with the participation fee. The remaining 50% must be paid upon arrival at the accreditation centre. Boat rental requests received after the deadline will be considered but the Organizing Committee cannot guarantee the requested make or model and the rental prices will be higher after 18<sup>th</sup> May.

### *The boat rental prices are as follows*

BOAT TYPE	BOOKED UNTIL THE 18 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	BOOKED AFTER THE 18 <sup>TH</sup> MAY
K-1 / C-1	40 €/Day	60 €/Day
K-2 / C-2	60 €/Day	90 €/Day

Those who required rental boats will have to present not just the voucher that was given to them at the accreditation centre after settling the balance but also a security deposit in cash when receiving the rental boat(s) at the regatta course. The security deposit is 200 Euros for single boats and 300 Euros for double boats. The security deposit will be fully refunded (minus anything that missing or damaged) when you return them intact.



## ACCLIMATIZATION, TRAINING CAMPS IN HUNGARY

The Organizing Committee will surely offer you popular training camps with its nice calm waters and well-known heritage in the paddling sports in Győr or in any location in Hungary.

## ACCOMPANYING EVENT / 27<sup>TH</sup> DANUBE CANOE AND ROWING MARATHON, 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015

The Organizing Committee offer the following event for those, who will arrive earlier.

**Do not miss** opportunity for attractive and ideal pre Worlds event near Győr, on **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2015**, just several days prior to major races. **Take part** in long distance race along Slovakian/Hungarian section of Danube River. **Explore** pleasant natural course in unique ecosystem, called inland delta. **Enjoy** 22km downstream paddling on calm water in authentic friendly atmosphere and finish in legendary pub Hullám Csárda, for many years favoured by canoeists, fishermen and sailors (just 30km from Győr).

The event, with estimated K1 men time 1 hour and 10 min., is ideal both for your acclimatisation and training prior to Győr major races as well as for your touring and exploring the region. The event with number of age groups and boat classes is suitable for top athletes, masters, hobby paddlers and accompanying person.

More details on [www.dunmar.kanoe.sk](http://www.dunmar.kanoe.sk)

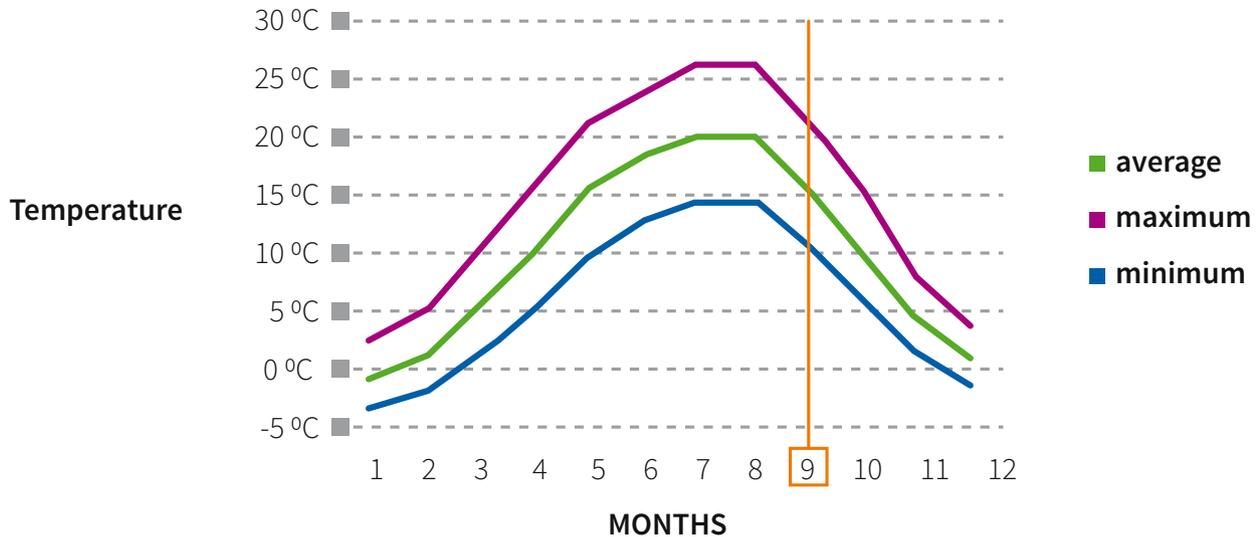
Organizing Committee of the World Marathon Championships is able to help with personal and boat transfer for those who would like to participate on the event. If you are interested in this, please do not hesitate to contact us.



# WEATHER IN GYŐR

Győr has a continental climate with cold, cloudy, humid winters and warm to hot summers. Average annual temperature is 9,7 °C (49,5F). Temperature extremes are about 38 °C (100F) in the summer and -29°C (-20F) in the winter. Average temperature in the summer is 27 to 32 °C (81 to 90F), and in the winter it is 0 to -15 °C (32 to 5F). The average yearly rainfall is approximately 600mm (24 in).

Monthly average temperature in Győr



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Chairman of Organizing Committee





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