

PĀNUI 3



Waka Ama World Sprint Championships

Monday 17 - Monday 31 August 2026
Marina Bay, Singapore



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Aotearoa New Zealand

2026 IVF Va'a World Sprint Championships, Singapore

Aotearoa New Zealand Contingent - Pānui 3 - June 2026

KEY DATES

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| 20 June 2026 13 July 2026 3 August 2026 | Waiata Practice on zoom - led by Sophia Thomas Register online to receive the zoomlink Register here |
| July sometime | IVF waiver for every athlete to be signed. WAANZ Code of Conduct to be signed by every athlete |
| 20 July 2026 | Manager meeting on Zoom |
| 17 - 31 August 2026 | World Sprint Elite & Club Championships, Marine Bay, Singapore |

RACING UNIFORM

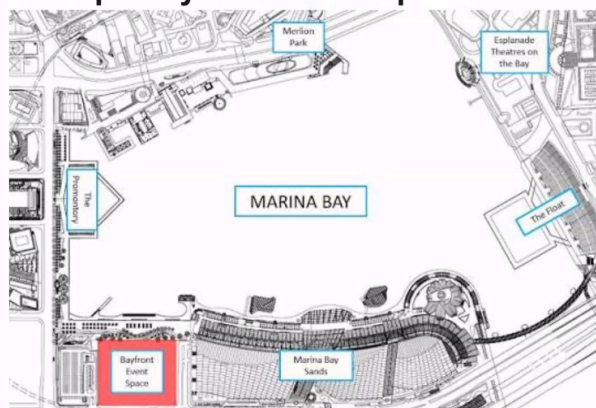
See Pānui 2 for information around race uniform

LOCATION OF EVENT

The race venue in Singapore is at Marina Bay Waterfront.

They have a great public transport system (Bus and MRT best value) along with Taxis and Grab, Ryde and a couple of other rideshare companies (their version of Uber).

Venue - Map "Bayfront Event Space"



TRAVEL IN SINGAPORE

Transport

Buses and MRT make getting around Singapore easy and cheap.

<https://www.lta.gov.sg/content/ltagov/en/map/train.html>

A little more expensive, but even more convenient you could get a Taxis or Grab (Singapore's version of Uber) plus a few other ride share companies operate there too. Ensure you download the app before departing the country.

There are several rideshare companies operating in Singapore

COURSE FAMILIARISATION

Once we receive our allocated time slots for course/canoe famil we will allocate this out to clubs/ V1 paddlers

Can you please fill in the [survey](#) to assist us in allocating time that your club/ teams/ v1 paddlers are in Singapore and available.

To be completed by end **12 July 2026**

SINGAPORE WAKA AMA CLUBS CONTACTS

Please note the following guidelines regarding waka rentals before and during the Singapore IVF Championship:

- Hydras: From 14 August onwards , these boats will not be available for rental due to preparation and familiarization requirements.
- Hydras: before 14 August - Availability is very limited, and we do not recommend renting them to avoid potential damage or regulations issues with Singapore Kallang water authorities.
- Other V6 brands: These can be rented at any time directly through one of the SG clubs, subject to Kallang waters regulations or Sentosa waters policies, with each club setting its own rental pricing and its own responsibility.
- If you manage to get a booking with a local club, check if you need to bring your own PFD with you noting that inflatable lifejackets are not allowed.

Current Singapore clubs contact list for waka rental:

Singapore Paddling Club (SPC): info@singaporepaddleclub.com

Va'a Team France (VTF) Singapore: teamfrance.sg@gmail.com

American Dragons Singapore (ADS): darrin_neil@yahoo.com, cc_matteoros26@gmail.com

Austcham Paddling Club (APC): austchampaddleclubsg@gmail.com

MERCHANDISE

Official Singapore [IVF merchandise](#) per order available till end 1 July 2026 - Some merchandise will be available at the event. But if you want to ensure you get the style and size you want get a pre order in

Aotearoa [NZ Merchandise](#) is now available for order

RACE RULES AND PROGRESSIONS

The updated race rules and progressions can be found [here](#)

VOLUNTEERS

The hosts are still looking for more volunteers, if you have 1 day or even just half a day you could give to volunteer and help out they would love to hear from you. Fill in the form [here](#)

WAIATA FOR CULTURAL EVENING

You can find both the words and the recording from the first waiata online zoom practice [here](#)

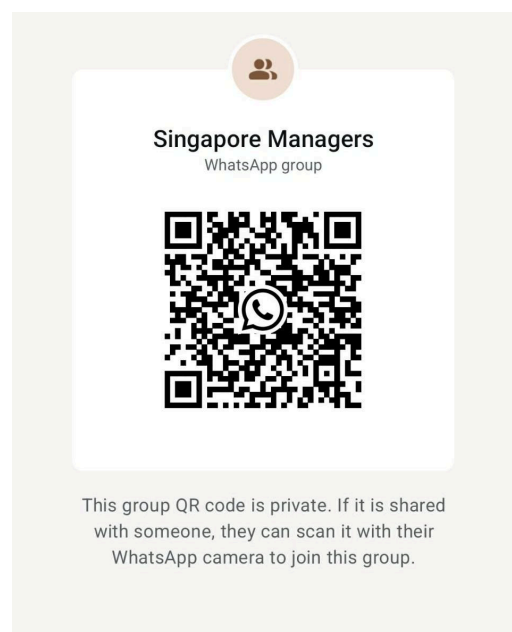
The first practice is setting everyone for the actions to go with the medley.

MANAGERS COMMUNICATION IN SINGAPORE

We will be using WhatsApp while in Singapore as our way of communicating with teams. This chat is **for managers only**, so that we can get important information to them. Managers can then pass on to the paddlers and their teams.

Ensure you download WhatsApp to your phone and create an account if you do not already have one.

You can then join the group via this [link](#) or QR Code



SOME RULES AND REGULATION FOR SINGAPORE

Public Conduct and Street Laws

- **Littering & Spitting:** Strictly prohibited in all public areas. First-time offenders face significant fines, and repeat offenders may be sentenced to Corrective Work Orders (CWO).
- **Vandalism:** Includes drawing, painting, or marking on public or private property without consent. This carries severe penalties, including fines, imprisonment, and mandatory caning.
- **Jaywalking:** Crossing the road within 50 meters of a designated crossing (pedestrian bridge or zebra crossing) is an offense.
- **Smoking & Vaping:** Smoking is prohibited in most indoor public places. **Vaping** (purchase, use, and possession) is completely illegal in Singapore and subject to fines.

Liquor & Public Order

- **Liquor Control Act:** Consumption of liquor in public places is prohibited from 10:30 PM to 7:00 AM daily. Specific Liquor Control Zones (e.g., Geylang, Little India) have stricter weekend and public holiday restrictions.
- **Disorderly Behaviour:** Public intoxication that causes a nuisance or behaving in a "disorderly manner" (including affray or rioting) is a criminal offense.

Prohibited Items & Activities

- **Chewing Gum:** The import and sale of chewing gum is banned, with exceptions only for therapeutic gums.
- **Feeding Wildlife:** Feeding pigeons or monkeys in public spaces is illegal and subject to fines.
- **Flags:** Displaying a foreign flag in public in Singapore is strictly prohibited. In the Event area, we are requesting exceptional approval during the event time. Wearing shirts with flags of countries for sporting events is completely acceptable.

INSURANCE

Travel Insurance including racing on water is **REQUIRED**. All club managers should ensure each paddler has supplied them with insurance details and that it includes cover of on water competition.

Travel Insurance Brokers have agreed to provide travel insurance that covers racing on water again through TAI. Information on how to purchase will be released in February 2026.

Contact worlds@wakaama.co.nz for guidance.

If you have purchased travel insurance through us and something happens from now, meaning you need to make a claim. Contact Bronwyn at Travel Insurance Brokers on **0800 855 0772**. She will give you all the information you need and assist you through the process.

THERAPEUTIC USE EXEMPTION (TUE)

If you are 18 years or older, competing in Singapore and start taking a new medication or your doctor changes your medication check it out on the [GlobalDRO](#) website to see if it is on the banned or restricted list

If your medication appears on the list, you will need to complete an emergency Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) form. TUE forms are available in the attachments on the [Information Hub page](#) and will require a doctor's appointment to complete.

Once completed, please submit your form to worlds@wakaama.co.nz we will then pass on to the IVF Medical Committee

If you would like to understand your responsibilities as a paddler, manager, coach, or supporter, you can find further information [here](#).

MEDICATION REGULATIONS FOR SINGAPORE

Singapore has strict regulations on bringing medication into the country. Some medications must be declared or approved before arrival. Please check the [requirements](#).

These strict laws and regulations means there are some prohibited items and behaviours to avoid penalties, or legal issues. Main ones to note: Vaping is strictly prohibited, and carries severe penalties. Chewing gum is also strictly prohibited. Smoking is allowed but in marked areas only.

HELPFUL LINKS

- IVF Sprint Rules: <https://www.ivfiv.org/race-rules--progressions.html>
- Travel safe: <https://www.safetravel.govt.nz/destinations/singapore>
- Link to Integrity Sport NZ: <https://sportintegrity.nz/integrity/anti-doping>
- IVF Website: <https://www.ivfiv.org/2026-world-sprints---singapore.html>
- IVF Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/InternationalVaaFederation>
- Event Host Website: <https://www.worldsprints2026singapore.com>
- Event Host Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/vaa.association.sg/>
- Event Host Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/vaa.association.singapore/>
- Singapore Ocean Cup race dates to be released often early- mid September:
<https://www.facebook.com/singaporeoceancup/>
<https://www.singaporeoceancup.com/soc-our-history>

SINGAPORE EVENT SCHEDULE

Race Schedule can be found [here](#) & canoe specifications [here](#)

| DATE | EVENT |
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| Monday 17 August | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Canoe Blessing 7am ● Canoe/Course Familiarisation |
| Tuesday 18 August | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Canoe/Course Familiarisation |
| Wednesday 19 August | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Canoe/Course Familiarisation ● Opening Ceremony 6.30pm at the race venue |
| Thursday 20 August | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Elite Championship ● Age Group Elite V1 |
| Friday 21 August | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Elite Championship ● Age Group Elite V1 ● Cultural evening 6.00 pm at the race venue |
| Saturday 22 August | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Club Championship ● Age Group Elite V1 |
| Sunday 23 August | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Club Championship ● Elite V1 |
| Monday 24 August | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Club Championship ● Elite V1 |
| Tuesday 25 August | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Club Championship ● Elite V1 |
| Wednesday 26 August | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Club Championship ● Elite V1 |

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| Thursday 27 August | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Club Championship● Elite V1 |
| Friday 28 August | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Club Championship● Elite V1 |
| Saturday 29 August | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Club Championship● Elite V1 |
| Sunday 30 August | Saver day |
| Monday 31 August | Saver Day |