The World Games Chengdu 2025 Guide

Sport Climbing

This Guide provides key event and competition information and should be read in conjunction with <u>TWG 2025</u> <u>Bulletin #3</u>, a handbook that offers more comprehensive details for all stakeholders. This Guide is subject to further updates when necessary.

1. COMPETITION OVERVIEW

Medal Events:

Men's Events (3)	Women's Events (3)
Speed Single	Speed Single
Speed Single 4	Speed Single 4
Speed Relay	Speed Relay

A total of 72 athletes, 36 men and 36 women, may take part in the medal events.

Key Dates:

Key Dates	Schedule
10 June 2025	Sport Entries Deadline (Shortlist)
07 August 2025	The World Games Chengdu 2025 Opening Ceremony
11 August 2025	Arrival begins for Sport Climbing
12 August 2025	Athletes Night – TWG Plaza
13 August 2025	Field of Play Training – Venue
	Technical Meeting – Athletes Village
14 August 2025	Speed Single Qualifications
	Speed Single Finals
15 August 2025	Speed Single 4 Qualifications
	Speed Single 4 Finals
16 August 2025	Speed Relay Qualifications
	Speed Relay Finals
17 August 2025	Departure for Sport Climbing
	The World Games Chengdu 2025 Closing Ceremony

Organization:

International World Games Association (IWGA)

International Sports Broadcasting (ISB)

Swiss Timing (OMEGA)

Chengdu 2025 Organizing Committee (LOC)

International Federation of Sport Climbing (IFSC)

Event Delegate: Hazel Han (KOR)

• Jury President: Karalyn Aronow (USA)

Judge: Ahmed Zulazfar Khan Bin Abdul Aziz (SGP)

2. COMPETITION FORMAT

Speed Single

This is the standard IFSC Speed format, featuring individual races on 2 lanes.

- Qualification: 36 athletes may compete in pairs, one in lane A (left) and one in lane B (right), to record the
 fastest time from two races. After completing the Qualification phase, the top sixteen (16) fastest athletes
 from the Qualification ranking will proceed to the Final phase.
- Final: 16 athletes compete one against the other in a series of elimination races (1/8 Finals, Quarterfinals, Semifinals, Bronze Medal Final, and Gold Medal Final).

Speed Single 4

This is a new IFSC format, featuring individual racers on 4 lanes.

- The qualification phase is held in two stages:
 - Seeding Heats: 36 athletes may compete in pairs in four races across four lanes (A to D) with approximately equal rest time between each race. After the seeding heats, athletes are ranked based on their fastest time. The top eight (8) athletes advance directly to the Finals, while athletes ranked 9th through 24th proceed to the Elimination Heats. The athletes ranked 25th and lower are eliminated and do not advance to the next stage.
 - Elimination Heats: 16 athletes (9th to 24th) are grouped into four (4) races. The best two athletes in each race, resulting in a total of 8 winners of the Elimination Heats, will progress to the Finals.
- Final: 16 athletes compete in a series of elimination races (Quarterfinals, Semifinals, and Final). Two winners in each race progress to the next stage. The Final race decides the Gold, Silver, and Bronze places.

Speed Relay

The Speed Relay involves climbing in two pairs on 4 lanes.

- Qualification: Each team consists of two (2) athletes of the same gender to record the fastest time from two
 races. Each country is permitted to enter a maximum of two (2) teams. The first athlete races on the left
 lane to touch the finishing pad, followed by the second athlete racing on the right lane. The top 16 teams
 from the Qualification will progress to the Finals.
- Final: 16 teams will compete one against the other in a series of elimination races (1/8 Finals, Quarterfinals, Semifinals, Bronze Medal Final, and Gold Medal Final).

3. COMPETITION SCHEDULE (LOCAL TIME) *Timetable is subject to change before The World Games.

Date	Time	Programme
	09:00	Warm-up opening for FOP Training
	09:00 - 13:00 (TBC)	FOP Training – competition venue (11:30 – 13:00 Team Relay training)
	09:00 – 13:00	Confirmation of Attendance
13 August	13:00	Warm-up closing for FOP Training
-	14:00 – 16:00	Dress Rehearsal
	18:30 – 19:00	Confirmation of Attendance (if necessary)
	19:00 – 20:00	Technical Meeting – Athlete Village



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Date	Time	Programme
14 August	07:30	Warm-up opening for Speed Single Qualifications
	09:15	Warm-up closing for Speed Single Qualifications
	09:30	Men and Women Speed Practice on 4-lanes
	10:45	Start of Men's Speed Single Qualification
	11:45	Start of Women's Speed Single Qualification
	12:45 (estimated)	End of morning session
Speed Single	15:30	Warm-up opening for Speed Single Finals
	16:30	Warm-up closing for Speed Single Finals
	17:30	Start of Men's Women's Speed Single Finals Followed by Medal Ceremony
	19:00 (estimated)	End of afternoon session
		Followed by Press Conference
	08:00	Warm-up opening for Speed Single 4 Qualifications
	09:00	Warm-up closing for Speed Single 4 Qualifications
	10:00	Start of Women's Speed Single 4 Qualification – Seeding Heats
	11:10	Start of Men's Speed Single 4 Qualification – Seeding Heats
	12:30	Start of Women's and Men's Speed Single 4 Qualification – Elimination Heats
15 August Speed Single 4	12:55 (estimated)	End of morning session
	16:00	Warm-up opening for Speed Single 4 Finals
	17:00	Warm-up closing for Speed Single 4 Finals
	18:00	Start of Men's and Women's Speed Single 4 Finals Followed by Medal Ceremony
	19:00 (estimated)	End of afternoon session
		Followed by Press Conference
	08:00	Warm-up opening for Speed Relay Qualifications
	09:00	Warm-up closing for Speed Relay Qualifications
	10:00	Start of Men's Speed Relay Qualification
16 August	10:45	Start of Women's Speed Relay Qualification
Speed Relay	11:40	Start of Women's and Men's Speed Relay Finals Followed by Medal Ceremony
	13:20 (estimated)	End of morning session
		Followed by Press Conference

4. TRAINING AND COMPETITION VENUE

The competition will take place at **Tianfu Park**, an urban park located in the Jinniu District, northwest of central Chengdu. The park spans 3,033 acres, with 200 acres occupied by its main lake, Yinggui Lake. In addition to the lake, the park features two more lakes, two museums, and the Tianfu Humanities and Art Library.

The Field of Play is equipped with a **4-lane Speed wall** oriented to the north.

The warm-up area is located behind the Field of Play and includes both indoor and outdoor spaces. The indoor area is air-conditioned and equipped with warm-up tools such as pull-up bars and jump boxes.

The warm-up wall, located outside in the same area, is 6 meters high and 12 meters wide, equipped with auto-belay systems, along with a roof and sunshade for sun protection.

Both the Field of Play wall and the warm-up wall will be available for training on 13 August. The training sign-up sheet will be circulated closer to the event.

5. ACCREDITATION, ACCOMMODATION, AND TRANSPORTATION

Registration

All participating athletes and Extra Team Officials must be registered in The World Games' registration system. Therefore, the registration through the IFSC Results Services (Vertical Life) is not necessary.

All successfully registered participants will receive a notification by email to log into an online platform to access the following items for completion. Refer to 7-9 sections of this document for more detailed instructions.

- Travel Information
- Consent Forms
- Data Privacy Policies
- ADEL certificates

Athletes

The World Games Local Organizing Committee (LOC) covers accreditation, accommodation, local transportation, and food and beverage services for all qualified and accredited athletes.

Accommodation is provided in a double room at the Tianfu International Hotel Complex (Athletes Village A), which also serves as the main accreditation center. Due to limited capacity at the Athletes' Villages, all accommodations are based on double occupancy, with no option for single occupancy upgrades.

Extra Team Officials

Team officials are accredited as "Extra Team Officials." National Federations are required to submit a list of their team officials during the Games registration process. The respective NFs are responsible for covering the cost of the accreditation package fee for their participating Extra Team Officials (consult <u>Bulletin #1</u> page 26: Accreditation Packages Fee per Night/Day, see Option 1 IF Extra Team Official). The accreditation package includes local transportation, accommodation, food, and beverages during the competition period. Payment procedures will be confirmed by the LOC.

The Extra Team Officials are accommodated in double occupancy rooms (same gender). Due to the limited capacity of the Athletes' Villages, accommodation for Extra Team Officials may not be guaranteed and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. The single room (additional costs) requests are not guaranteed and are subject to availability as determined by the LOC.

Alternative Accommodation

For those not wishing to stay in the Athletes' Village, individuals may opt for private hotel accommodations at their own cost. However, full board and local transportation will only be provided to those staying in the Athletes' Village.

Local Transportation

Regular shuttle service is provided between the competition venue and the Athletes' Village. The precise shuttle times will be shared closer to the competition days.

Catering

Buffet-style meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) will be offered in the Athletes' Villages. Refer to Bulletin #3 for catering opening hours.

Insurance

All participants are required to have personal health and accident insurance coverage as well as emergency medical evacuation coverage during the Games time. Refer to Bulletin #3 for more details on the requirements.

6. VISA POLICY

Visa Application

There are countries exempt from Chinese visas and can stay up to 30 days. The list of exempted countries is available on the Chinese Visa Application Service Center (link). The LOC and IWGA cannot be held responsible for the accuracy of the website information or its updates. It is the responsibility of the participants to check the entry regulations with the Chinese Embassy, Consulate, or visa centre in your respective country. The list of Chinese visa centers by country is available here: https://www.visaforchina.cn/globle/.

It is advisable to apply visa approximately one month prior to the intended date of entry into China, but not earlier than three months.

The LOC recommends that accredited participants for The World Games requiring a visa apply for the type F (non-commerce visa) or M (business visa).

Visa Invitation Letter

Registered participants who answered "yes" to the question "do you require a visa" during the Games registration will automatically receive a notification email with the Visa Application Letter attached, as soon as their registration has passed the background check carried out by the Chinese authorities. Participants are advised to take the invitation letter with them for immigration when they enter China.

7. ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Arrivals & Departures

The recommended official port of entry for internal travel into China is Chengdu Tianfu International Airport (TFU).

Other official points of arrival and departure are Chengdu Shuangliu International Airport (CTU) and Chengdudong Railway Station, recommended for domestic travel.

For Sport Climbing, the accredited athletes and extra team officials may arrive up to three days before the start of the competition and depart one day after the last day of their event, as outlined in *Key Dates* of this document.



Travel information submission

Participants' travel information is required by the LOC to organize the transport from the arrival point in Chengdu (airport/train station) to their accommodation. This information will also enable the LOC to arrange the welcome of the participants in the respective Athletes' Villages and arrange their departures.

Once the participants' registration has been checked and validated by the Chinese authorities (background check pass), an email notification will be sent to the participants to connect to a webpage for copleting the arrival and departure information online. The deadline to submit the travel information for all participants – Athletes and Extra Team Officials – is **4 July 2025**.

8. CONSENT FORMS AND DATA PRIVACY POLICY

All registered Games participants are required to approve one or two Consent Forms. These forms outline the terms and conditions for participating in TWG 2025 Chengdu. Participants will only be able to receive their ID Card at the on-site accreditation desk after completing this online approval procedure.

There are three types of Consent Forms. Either one or two consent forms must be signed.

- Athletes Consent Form > Athletes (or legal Guardian, if minors)
- Officials Consent Form > IF Officials, IF Extra Team Official
- General Consent Form > All participants

Once the participants' registration has been submitted and validated by the Chinese authorities (Background Check Pass), a notification will be sent by email to connect to a webpage for reading and approving the online Consent Form(s). The deadline is **31 July 2025**. After this date, the participant will be required to sign it manually on site at the registration centre in order to receive his/her accreditation card.

9. ANTI-DOPING EDUCATION REQUIREMENT

According to IWGA's Anti-Doping Rules, the following participants in the Games must complete WADA's Anti-Doping Education courses to receive their accreditation. More details on the verification process will be communicated in due course. For more details, refer to Bulletin #3.

- Athletes: ADEL for International Level Athletes (ILA) (25 languages) <u>LINK</u>
- Coaches: ADEL for Coaches of High-Performance Athletes (12 languages) LINK
- Medical Personnel: ADEL for Medical Professionals at Major Games (9 languages) LINK

10. UNIFORMS

The IWGA retains all commercial rights, including sponsorship, marketing, promotion, and merchandising worldwide for the IWGA, and grants these commercial rights nationally to TWG 2025 Chengdu Organizing Committee. TWG 2025 Chengdu Organizing Committee is responsible for observing that all participants comply with and follow LOC's restrictions as well as those mentioned in the IWGA General Guidelines on Authorized Identifications at The World Games.

Any participant who wishes to display a sponsor logo – whether personal, team, IF, NOC/NSO, or NF – on their clothing must submit a request for approval in advance. Displaying sponsor logos without prior approval is strictly prohibited. Manufacturer identification is permitted without approval as long as it complies with the size limitations



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in the guidelines outlined in Bulletin #3. The size of the logos and restrictions on the number of sponsors must also follow the regulations of the International Federation.

To streamline this process, the IFSC will submit the existing NF uniforms to the LOC on behalf of the NFs. The IFSC is responsible for uniform checks before and during competition days.

11. TICKETS

Tickets can be reserved on the official ticketing website: https://tickets.theworldgames2025.com/ticketPc/home

Accredited athletes can visit other venues with their accreditation by using the shuttle services provided from the Athletes' Village.

12. USEFUL LINKS

- TWG 2025 Bulletin #3 (published March 2025) LINK
- TWG 2025 Qualified Athletes LINK
- TWG 2025 Chengdu Official website: https://www.theworldgames2025.com/en/
- IWGA Website: https://www.theworldgames.org
- IFSC Website TWG Page: https://www.ifsc-climbing.org/multi-sport/the-world-games/2025-chengdu

13. KEY DEADLINES

Key Dates	Schedule	
10 April 2025	NFs to submit the Long List Registration to IFSC	
10 June 2025	Sport Entries (Short List) Confirmation (Only athletes from the already registered Long List can be selected)	
4 July 2025	Travel Information Submission	
31 July 2025	Consent Form and Data Privacy Policy submission	
13 August 2025 Technical Meeting	Late Reallocation of Quota Places or Athletes Replacement: until the Technical Meeting. In case of unforeseen circumstances (e.g., injury) preventing an athlete's participation, National Federations must officially communicate this to the IFSC Sport Department. Once notified, the IFSC will proceed reallocation of quota places/athlete's replacement and update the IWGA and the LOC. This process will follow the procedures and timeline according to the IWGA Late Athlete Replacement Procedures and the IFSC Qualification Systems. No further changes are made after the start of the Technical Meeting.	

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