

## oooo MALAYSIA RAFTING ASSOCIATION IRF WORLD RAFTING CHAMPIONSHIP 2025



Dear Rafting Enthusiasts Worldwide,

Immerse yourself in a dual river adventure! We are thrilled to invite you to participate in the prestigious IRF World Rafting Championship 2025, hosted on the stunning Kampar and Selangor Rivers, MALAYSIA, from 1 to 7 December

### **Experience the Thrill of Kampar River & Selangor River**

The Kampar and Selangor Rivers are the prime locations for the IRF World Rafting Championship 2025, offering ideal accessibility and logistical ease for this international event. These rivers are fully prepared to deliver a world-class experience, ensuring the logistical and comfort needs of all attendees are met amidst Malaysia's stunning river landscapes.

### Who Can Participate?

This championship is open to all rafters across the globe who are current IRF members. We welcome teams from all categories, including Youth, Junior. Open and master for both Men and Women. We will accept 2 teams per country per category. We have set the maximum of teams at 100 so it is first 100 teams that will be accepted if we have more than 100 teams.

All teams must be member and validated by their national rafting federation/association. Participating countries must be member of the IRF. Please refer to this link for details on annual membership for race participation:





### **Event Highlights:**

- World-Class Competition: Witness and participate in the pinnacle of international rafting, sanctioned by the International Rafting Federation (IRF).
- Spectacular Location: Experience the natural beauty of Gopeng, Perak, a region known for its lush rainforests and adventure activities.
- Multiple Disciplines: Compete in various disciplines, including R4 Sprint, Head-to-Head, Slalom and Downriver.
- Cultural Immersion: Discover the rich culture and warm hospitality of Malaysia.
- Government and IRF Support: This event is approved by the Ministry of Youth and Sports, Malaysia and the International Rafting Federation, to host, ensuring a well-organized and professional championship.

### **Key Information:**

- Dates: 1 December to 7 December 2025
- Location: Kampar River, Gopeng, Perak & Selangor River, Selangor **MALAYSIA**
- Registration Price: \$300 USD per team member (includes shuttle, meals and accommodation)
- Categories: Men and Women
- Divisions: Open, Masters (40+), Youth (Under 19 and Junior (Under 23)
- Organization Hosting Event: Malaysia Rafting Association (MRA)

### Stay Updated:

Follow us on Facebook: <u>Malaysia Rafting Association (MRA)</u>

Pre-Registration is STARTS on April 1st 2025. Please stay connected!



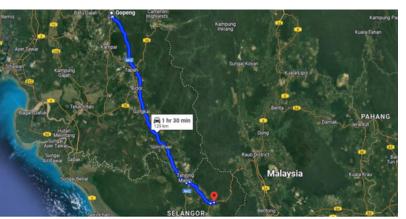






# IRF WORLD RAFTING CHAMPIONSHIP 2025





### Why MALAYSIA?

Discover the extraordinary fusion of adventure, culture, and natural beauty that Malaysia offers, setting the stage for the prestigious IRF World Rafting Championship 2025 in Perak and Selangor. We are committed to crafting a safe, enjoyable, and truly unforgettable experience for every participant.

Malaysia's strategic investment in infrastructure and a strong partnership with the IRF, fueled by a growing passion for rafting, ensures a world-class event of international significance. Hosting here showcases our nation's commitment to eco-tourism, cultural diversity, and the surging growth of rafting in Asia.

The challenging courses, unique landscapes, and rich biodiversity of the Selangor and Kampar rivers solidify Malaysia as the ideal host for the IRF World Rafting Championship 2025.

# Unleash the Thrill of the Kampar & Selangor River!

The Kampar and Selangor Rivers have been strategically chosen as premier venues for the IRF World Rafting Championship 2025.

These rivers provide an unparalleled blend of accessibility and logistical convenience, guaranteeing a seamless, world-class experience for an international event of this scale.

The Kampar and Selangor Rivers are fully equipped to support the logistical and comfort needs of all attendees, showcasing the breathtaking beauty of Malaysia's river landscapes.



### Key advantages includes:

- Strategic Proximity: Both rivers are conveniently located near major transportation hubs, minimizing travel time for participants and spectators.
- Effortless Accessibility: Well-maintained roads and readily available facilities provide smooth access for visitors and logistics teams.
- Comprehensive Support Infrastructure: The surrounding areas boast comfortable accommodations, diverse dining options, and all essential amenities to seamlessly host international participants.



# Gopeng

Surrounded by the natural beauty of Perak, Malaysia, Gopeng is a haven for adventure and eco-tourism. This charming town offers a wealth of outdoor activities, from exhilarating whitewater rafting and intriguing cave explorations to breathtaking waterfall abseiling, scenic sunset hikes, and immersive jungle treks.

# Kampar River

The Kampar River flows through this area, providing exciting rapids ideal for whitewater rafting, attracting both beginners and experienced rafters.



Experience the Kampar River's unique blend of natural flow and seasonal dynamism. Unlike major rivers, its flow is largely unaffected by large dams, relying instead on natural rainfall, particularly during the monsoon. This creates a thrilling and ever-changing environment for water sports. Well-designed access points with purpose-built ramps ensure easy entry and navigation for teams and officials. Paddlers will face the challenge of navigating natural waves and drop-offs, adding a strategic depth to the competition.

Kampar River: Grade 2/3

River water temperature 25°C - 27°C

By dressing in quick-dry, fitted, and protective gear, athletes can stay comfortable, mobile, and safe on the Kampar River.

• Sprint, H2H & Slalom: Grade 3

### River Terrain:

Sprint, H2H and Slalom: River left and right is natural jungle and offers easy access from the road for judges and safety. It is also easy to recycle the boats.

# Adventure, Nature and Culture







### Kuala Kubu Bharu

Step into Kuala Kubu Bharu, Selangor, where history whispers from colonialera buildings and the vibrant tapestry of diverse temples and mosques paints a picture of cultural harmony. Reborn from a devastating flood in the 1930s, this town now beckons adventure seekers. Feel the rush of whitewater rafting on the Selangor River, soar above the landscape with paragliding from Bukit Batu Pahat, and conquer the challenging climb of Bukit Kutu for breathtaking summit views. Kuala Kubu Bharu offers a sensory escape into both adventure and history, all enveloped by the beauty of nature.



# Selangor River



The Selangor River, thanks to its dam-controlled flow, offers a reliably thrilling experience for intermediate and advanced paddlers, maintaining stable conditions throughout both summer and monsoon seasons. Paddlers begin their journey in a tranquil pool, warming up with gentle Grade 2 rapids. The river's intensity gradually increases, transitioning into technical Grade 3 sections with rocky challenges and powerful currents. The highlight is the exhilarating Grade 4 rapids, demanding precise maneuvering through swift, narrow passages. The adventure concludes with a serene Grade 1/2 stretch, providing a relaxing and rewarding finish.

Selangor River: Grade 2 to 4

River water temperature 27°C - 30°C

Athletes will be comfortable in rash vests and shorts or light neoprene. There is no requirements for dry suits.

- Downriver: Continues Grade 2, working up to grade 3 and two grade 4 canyon rapids before calming down to grade 2 which the duration is approximately about 9km.
- Junior could have a Downriver with only class 2 and 3 rapids.

### River terrain:

• Downriver: The river flows through mostly jungle and farmland on both sides. There are sufficient places for teams to be spaced safely on both banks and it easy to recycle the boats.

# A Treasure of Heritage and Adventure













The Selangor River remains a strong contender for the Downriver event, and we can't wait to reveal our final choice! Keep your eyes peeled for the official announcement on our channels!

# Accommodation

We've curated a range of comfortable accommodations for athletes, from welcoming guesthouses to authentic homestays, all nestled along the stunning Kampar River. These accommodations are included in your registration price, ensuring a seamless and enjoyable stay.



















# Transportation

We've arranged a comprehensive transportation network to ensure your seamless travel. Convenient shuttle services will be provided using comfortable lorries, supplemented by 4x4 vehicles for specific needs. Additionally, we're pleased to offer complimentary airport transfers between Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) and Gopeng, Perak, both upon arrival and departure.













# Meals

Embark on a culinary adventure! Your registration includes breakfast, lunch, and dinner, offering a taste of Malaysia's vibrant food scene with delectable Malay, Chinese, and Indian fare. We'll also ensure you're well-hydrated with daily aqua supplies, allowing you to fully immerse yourself in the championship experience.















We look forward to welcoming you to Kampar & Selangor River, Malaysia, in December 2025!

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