

# **REGULATION 2026**

## **OUTDOOR RAID SERIES®**



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The registration of the participants entails their unconditional acceptance of these rules, as well as the various documents sent by the organizer (Newsletters, Road book of race, Cards...), where they acknowledge having read them and accept the terms without reservation.

## 1 - SUBJECT

The Outdoor Raid Series Morvan 2026 event is a support for the French round of the European Adventure Raid Cup under the ARWS Europe Series label (Adventure Racing World Series). It is a Full Nature Multisport Raid composed of several non-motorized sports disciplines, chained, without assistance, including different sections of different distances with variable slopes:

- MTB
- Running, Trail, Trek
- Packraft
- Still in orientation

The event will take place from **Friday, July 3 to Sunday, July 5, 2026**, at the departure and arrival of Avallon, department of Yonne, Burgundy-Franche Comté region, city gateway to the majestic and wild Morvan Regional Natural Park.

The proposed route totaling **around 200 km with a positive elevation gain of 4500 m** must be completed by all the complete teams, always together, without relay, in total autonomy (water and food) for a duration of **about 20 to 30 hours maximum...**

## 2 - ORGANIZER

The event Outdoor Raid Series Morvan 2026 is organized by the association law 1901 "Outdoor Series" designated as "the organizer" below.

The association is affiliated with the French Triathlon Federation, it is supported by the international structure Adventure Racing World Series (ARWS), as well as by the local organizing committee of Raid in France, support for the French round of the World Cup of Adventure Raid ARWS, custodian of the label in France.

## 3 - CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

- Outdoor Raid Series is only open to **adults aged 18** and over on the day of the race.
- Outdoor Raid Series is open to **teams of 4 mixed people** to be ranked in the **ARWS Europe Series ranking** and try to win a free registration to participate in the European Raid Adventure Championship ARWS Europe Series in Denmark from 28 to 31 August 2026.

- Outdoor Raid Series is also open to **teams of 4 people, Men or Women**, and will be ranked in an **Open ranking** while doing the same route as the mixed teams.
- All the teams will have to start and cross the finish line at 4 to be classified.
- If unfortunately, one of the team members had to stop for medical or other reasons, the race direction will determine if the team can continue with 3 or 2 crew members. In any case, these teams will be integrated into the overall ranking only after the ranked teams of 4 people.

#### 4 - REGISTRATIONS

- Registrations will be carried out entirely online on a dedicated registration platform and in no way by postal mail and/or email, the link of which will be posted on the organization's website.
- The registration for Outdoor Raid Series will only be considered when all the requested information is completed:
  - Dematerialized online form completed at 100%.
  - Provide a valid competition sports license from the FFFri
  - OR, failing that, a medical certificate dated less than 1 year ago, which does not reveal any contraindication to the practice of multisport racing in competition by mentioning all sports disciplines (mountain biking, running, Packraft)
  - Make the payment for the team (Any registration made without a payment will not reserve a spot for the team)
- The registration amount is set at:
  - **690 € per team from December 15, 2025, to January 31, 2026, at 23:59**
  - **750 € per team from February 1, 2026**, until the quota set by the organizer is exhausted.
- Registrations will close on 05/10/2026.
- By registering, each team certifies that all team members are aware of the characteristics of the race **«OUTDOOR RAID SERIES Morvan 2026 - ARWS Europe Series»** and its regulations.
  - In particular, **the point concerning ORIENTATION** where the team claims to have at least one participant capable of orienting themselves with the compass, during the day, as well as at night, and/or also during bad weather in foggy weather.
  - In particular, **the point on autonomy in SWIMMING** where each member is able to swim the distance of 100 m minimum without external assistance, without stopping, and including at least a full immersion of 5 seconds.
  - In particular, **the point on the knowledge and practices of the PACKRAFT activity** where the level of the rivers navigated will be from Class I to III (Classification of the International Canoe-Kayak Federation) according to the water level. Teams must be able to navigate rivers and lakes with wind and/or metre-high waves.
  - In particular, **the point on CORDES knowledge and practices** where all the rope activity routes will be equipped by the organizer but the teams must be completely autonomous. They must know the equipment used, their dangers, they know how

to equip themselves and use it, they are autonomous day and night in progression on rope. The rope courses are mandatory for teams wishing to be the highest ranked possible. The time required for the completion of the course(s) will be determined by the organization and will be the same for all teams; it will be indicated in the race road book.

## 5 - PARTICIPANTS

### Article 5.1 - Commitment of participants

- The participants undertake to comply with the instructions and running instructions given by the race management and acknowledge their regulatory value.
- The participants must comply with the ARWS (Adventure Racing World Series) rules, the race rules, their annexes, the various documents provided by the organizer (Maps and Road book of the race), the organizer's directives before, during, and after the race, as well as the various laws in force in the territories crossed.
- The preservation and management of ecological and natural balances are absolute priorities. All the people participating in the race must follow these instructions.
  - Respect for wildlife
  - Respect for the environment
  - Respect for residents and all types of users
  - **Compliance with the Highway Code since participants will be able to use roads open to traffic and will therefore in no way have priority over other road users.**
  - Assistance to people in danger
  - Any logical behavior or attitude, which is common sense.

### Article 5.2 - Change of teams member

- The withdrawal of one of the team members does not call into question the team's registration.
- This one may propose a new team member provided that all the required parts are presented at most 24:00 before the start of the race.

### Article 5.3 - Responsibility of the participants

- The registered teams participate in the race under their own responsibility.
- The participants are aware of the specific risks associated with their participation in such an adventure race and inherent to the practice of outdoor sports disciplines in natural and technical environments.
- The organizer can in no way be held responsible in case of accident or failure of the participants related to a poor state of health, to a misuse of their personal equipment, or related to insufficient physical, sports and technical preparation. Participation is therefore under the full responsibility of the competitors in full knowledge of this regulation.

- The organizer declines all responsibility in case of theft or damage to equipment. The personal effects of the participants are under the responsibility of the participants, except in areas managed by the organizer.

## 6 - INSURANCE

- The organizer has taken out organizer liability insurance, in accordance with current legislation, for the duration of the race.
- This insurance does not cover the repatriation of sick or injured participants. It is also not an individual accident insurance for the benefit of competitors. It is therefore up to the competitors to take out an insurance policy of this type as they see fit.
- Each participant must take out civil liability insurance to cover any damage caused to persons and property that they may commit as part of the race. He will also have to insure himself for damages that may affect him personally (permanent disability, physical injury of the participants or damage to equipment).
- Anyone who is not officially affiliated with a French social security scheme undertakes to cover all evacuation, hospitalization and other costs following an incident/accident during the race.
- FFTri Competition licensees are not concerned if they have taken out the guarantee in connection with their license.

## 7 - RANKING & TIMING

### Article 7.1 - Timing

- The start of the race will take place on Saturday, July 4, 2026 at 6:00 AM.
- The arrival of the race must be done before Sunday, July 5, 2026 at 12:00 PM under penalty of penalties specified in the Road Book of the race.
- The ranking of the race is first carried out based on the number of points collected by fetching the markers / CP over the entire course and then on the time achieved by the entire team.
- Some sections and tags will be mandatory for all teams.
- Some sections and tags may be optional depending on the choice of the teams.
- To win the race, the teams must have completed all the sections and validated all the mandatory and optional markers, and therefore collected as many points as possible.
- The marking of the tags will be done at the time card / passport

### Article 7.2 - Classification

- The teams will have to cross the finish line with 4 team members to be ranked.

- An overall SCRATCH ranking for any team composition of 4 people will be achieved. The first 3 teams will be rewarded.
- An ARWS Europe ranking for mixed teams of 4 people will be achieved. The first 3 teams will be rewarded.

#### **Article 7.3 - Racing behavior and penalties**

- Throughout the race, competitors must comply with the Highway Code
- The philosophy of the event is to promote a natural and wild territory, in a festive and respectful atmosphere while preserving it.
- The organizer offers a technical, fun, accessible course in places that we particularly like.
- It goes without saying that respect for places and people must be the priority whatever the circumstances of the race. Any deviation from these fundamental principles of the adventure raid by one of the teams can result in a penalty or the immediate disqualification of it by the race direction in collaboration with the race jury.
- Example: Abandonment of detritus on the course, damage to fences, crossing of a prohibited area (cultivation, private property mentioned on maps, a forbidden axis...etc), non-compliance with an obligatory passage.
- For safety reasons, on all sections of the race, participants from the same team must stay together and grouped. They must always stay within earshot without shouting, that is to say at a distance of less than 100 meters.
- The possession of mandatory equipment may be subject to checks on the course, which can lead to penalties commensurate with the shortcomings observed. The checks may be carried out either by members of the organization (volunteers at the transition areas), or by members of the race direction, or by members of the jury (Referee designated by the ARWS)
- The penalties will be specified in the race road book.

#### **Article 7.4 - Complaint / Race jury**

- If teams have a complaint regarding the event or the results, it will be considered with the following conditions :
  - The complaint must be made in writing before the award ceremony and given personally to one of the members of the race management.
  - It will be studied by the race direction, the person responsible for timing and rankings, as well as the referee designated by the ARWS.

## 8 - THE PARTICIPANTS

Only complete teams will be allowed to start unless exceptionally decided by the organizer. The organizer's contact person is the captain of each team, so he must give a name to his team, he is the recipient of the different race documents and will have to communicate them within his team.

### Article 8.1 - Obligations

- All participants must wear the mandatory equipment corresponding to each section.
- The emergency numbers transmitted on the race documents must be recorded in the team's racing mobile.

### Article 8.2 - Abandonment / Out of the race

- Any participant who has abandoned or is out of the race must notify a member of the organization (volunteers at the transition areas) or a member of the race direction as soon as possible.
- In case of abandonment of a participant, the team must follow the return route indicated by the organization. The possibility of continuing the race out-of-class will be assessed by the race director.
- In case of a request for rescue, the whole team must wait for the arrival at the site of a member of the race direction or a rescue staff from the organization.

## 9 - INTERVENTION MEANS

- The configuration of the raid in a natural environment further distances and time away the means of intervention.
- Each participant must therefore be aware that the means and time of intervention can be long, and in particular much longer than in daily life.
- The technical and accessibility difficulties of certain sections or portions of the route could add additional intervention times.
- For all these practical and concrete reasons, the organizer has chosen, in consultation and agreement with the public rescue services and the prefectoral authorities to prioritize the implementation as close as possible to the field or near the field of surveillance and rescue means in order to optimize the capabilities of these means to be able to intervene in as many situations as possible.

## 10 - RACING EQUIPMENT

The equipment used by the participants must be CE standardized.  
It is the responsibility of each participant to have individual equipment adapted and in good working and safe condition.  
Participants must be responsible and forward-looking in their choice of material.

### Article 10.1 - Mandatory equipment

- The complete list of mandatory materials, extracted from the ARWS (Adventure Racing World Series) regulations, will be specified on the organizer's website: [www.outdoorseries.fr](http://www.outdoorseries.fr)
- General equipment will be mandatory in all sections of the race and specific equipment will be mandatory in particular sections.

### Article 10.2 - Prohibited material

- Any means of map geolocation (Geoportal, Open Runner, Strava, Google, GPS watch with map background and any other application...).
- Any motorized means of travel such as e-MTBs (Electric Assisted Mountain Bikes).
- Gravel bikes.
- Traction systems are prohibited during grouped departures, downhill, and must be jettisonable at any time.

## 11 - RESPECT FOR NATURELS SITES & PRIVATE PROPERTIES

- The route will cross in particular communal lands, private lands, state forests, protected areas.
- The authorisations for passage are granted to the race organised on date t, and only for the day of the event.
- Respect these places, both environmentally (respect, cleanliness and tranquility) and in terms of materials (fences, gates, structures, crops, facilities, equipment in place...etc.)
- During your progress, you may encounter other users or wild animals or not. Your vigilance and behavior must always be equal to the potential dangers posed by all users of these places.

## 12 - DOPING

- The organization of the race is part of a full and complete fight against doping.
- At any time, before, during and after the arrival, anti-doping tests carried out by the AFLD (French Anti-Doping Agency) may take place. The terms and conditions will therefore

necessarily be accepted by the participants since their registration constitutes acceptance of these rules.

- In case of positive control, the participant(s) involved, and their team will be downgraded and excluded from the race without any registration refund.
- The AFLD will take the necessary measures in case of a positive control.

### **13 - RIGHT TO IMAGE**

- By virtue of their commitment, each participant expressly authorizes the organisers to use any still and/or audiovisual images taken during their participation in the different sections of the race, throughout the duration of the race, and on all media including promotional and/or advertising documents.
- Participants may object to the publication of their online rankings on websites in accordance with the CNIL's request.
- If a participant does not wish to appear on the rankings, or if a participant does not wish their image to be shown, they must notify the organization in writing before the start of the race.