



**Val di Sole** EUROPEAN  
CANOE ASSOCIATION



# INFORMATION BULLETIN 2025 ECA WILDWATER CANOEING EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

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## WELCOME IN “VAL DI SOLE”!

From 04th to 08th June Mezzana and the Noce River will welcome the 2025 ECA Wildwater Canoeing European Championships. It will be an opportunity for the public to (re)discover this spectacular site and to come back there 30 years after the first ICF Wildwater Canoeing World Championships in 1993. What a celebration for such an anniversary! The city of Mezzana has already proved its capacity to host events: each year one national event (competition or leisure) takes place on the Pentecost weekend. Feel free to join us to share together strong emotions and nice sensations through exciting adventure!



### PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

For many years, the Italian Canoe Federation gained a lot of skills in hosting international events of great quality. It is with the same enthusiasm and the same passion that Italian Canoe Federation and Mezzana will work together in order to lead a new exciting project. We hope to see you in Mezzana along the river!

## GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE VAL DI SOLE TOURISM BOARD – MR. LUCIANO RIZZI

It is with immense satisfaction, on behalf of the Val di Sole Tourism Board, that I welcome all athletes, trainers and spectators coming to Val di Sole for the 2025 ECA Wildwater Canoeing European Championships. A prestigious sporting event that will once again be held on the spectacular Noce River after 17 years. These competitions, together with various European rafting competitions, that will once again be held in Val di Sole after a 13-year absence, will place Val di Sole back on the international scene of these thrilling river sporting events. Exciting sports that harmoniously co-exist with the local surroundings that therefore highlight the connection with one of the valley's most important features: water.



In fact, the abundance of water sources in Val di Sole distinguishes our destination from other alpine valleys and it also provides many opportunities for guests visiting the valley: the Noce River, thermal spa centers, lakes, waterfalls.

A great mix of new and exciting events for which I would like to express a heartfelt thank you to all of you for once again returning to Val di Sole. Good Luck and Happy Paddling!

## BASIC INFORMATIONS

Water is one of Val di Sole's most characteristic features, with its wealth of springs, streams, rivers, and lakes. And lord of them all is the River Noce. A paradise of nature, sport and fun. A place for body and mind, ideal for the most intimate of introspective exploration. The Noce is one of the most important rivers for sport in Italy, thanks to its difficult conditions, the length of its practicable stretches, and the beauty of its surrounding scenery. It is the only European river to be classed by NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC among the top 10 in the world for river sports! Activity suitable for all, requiring no particular skills. The only indispensable premise that you know how to swim. Then all you need do is jump in! Your total safety is guaranteed by our professional guides.



The River Noce rises near the Corno dei Tre Signori (3,360 m asl), in the Ortles-Cevedale mountain range, just few kilometres further down forming the artificial lake Pian Palù, after which it flows all the way down the valley, fed by other rivers that include the Noce Bianco, the Vermigliana and the Rabbies, in a continuing alternation of rapids and slower currents, crashing waves or slower moving stretches where the water feels almost like a caress. The Noce has history, scenery and biodiversity: the Parco Fluviale Alto Noce (Upper Noce River Park) guarantees management of the protected areas and river environment of the Noce and its tributaries. It offers plenty of activities to choose from: rafting, fishing and the cycle path that follows it almost the entire length of its course.

**Mountain traditions are everywhere in Val di Sole, in all its little towns and villages and in its friendly people.**



## TOWNS

Val di Sole is made up of 13 municipalities that follow the course of the River Noce. Some are in the valley bottom and others on the slopes of the surrounding mountains. They merge the modernity of their amenities with the tradition of their architecture and building materials, especially wood. Find out what is worth visiting in each place in the valley.

## WHERE WE ARE

Val di Sole is in north-western Trentino, among the Ortles-Cevedale, Adamello-Presanella and Brenta Dolomites Mountain groups. In the Trentino sector of Stelvio National Park and part of Adamello Brenta Park. Val di Sole also includes two small side valleys: Val di Peio and Val di Rabbi. Check out where we are on the map and how to get here.

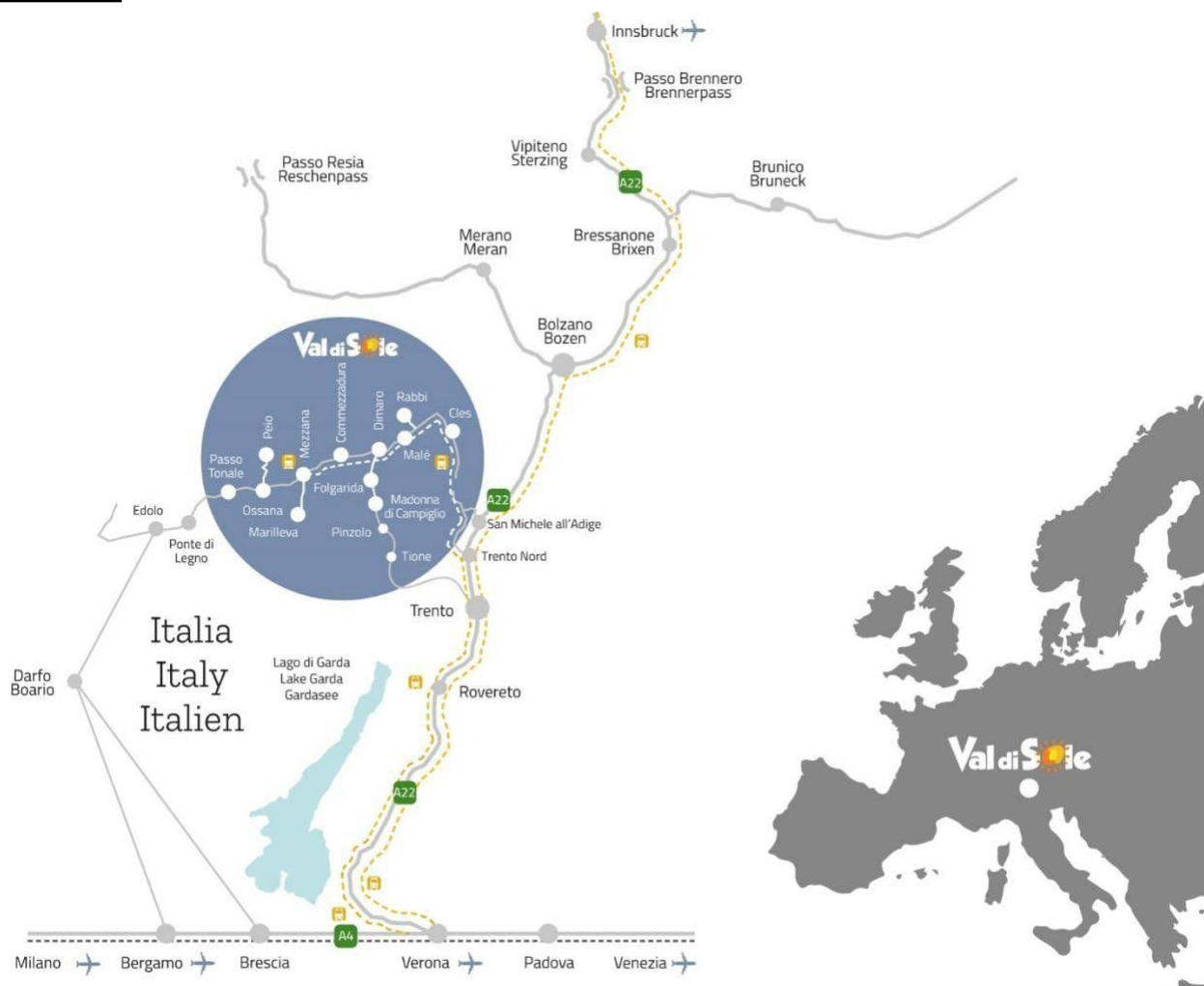


## PEOPLE & CULTURE

Val di Sole is the birthplace of several famous people. As well as these, we want to introduce you to our lesser 'heroes', who bring value to our area with their daily work. Artisans, mountain experts, farmers, and sportspeople. We think they say a lot about how we are and how we live. Want to get to know them?

## TRANSPORT

### LOCATION



Mountains, glaciers, rivers, lakes: the Val di Sole is the mountain in its purest state, a land just waiting to be explored. Val di Sole is in north-western Trentino, among the Ortles Cevedale, Adamello-Presanella and Brenta Dolomites Mountain groups, a UNESCO world heritage site. It develops for over 40 km along the course of the Noce, the river classified by National Geographic as one of the top ten in the world for rafting. Most of Val di Sole is protected to the south by the Adamello Brenta Nature Park and to the north by the Stelvio National Park where the two side valleys, Val di Peio and Val di Rabbi branch out.

[GETTING HERE & AROUND \(LINK\)](#)

[ACCOMMODATION \(LINK\)](#)



## ORGANIZING COMMITTEE



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## KEY DATES & DEADLINE

<b>03<sup>th</sup> May 2025</b>	Opening of online accreditations
<b>03<sup>th</sup> May 2025</b>	Deadline for visa requirement
<b>26<sup>th</sup> May 2025</b>	Closing of nominal entries
<b>03<sup>th</sup> May 2025</b>	Opening of competition venue
<b>From 15<sup>th</sup> May to 01<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Free trainings
<b>02<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Team leaders meeting
<b>04<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Competition day – (Classic race)
<b>05<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Competition day - (Classic and sprint team race) medals ceremony
<b>06<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Competition day – (Sprint Qualifications)
<b>07<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Competition day – (Sprint Final) and sprint team race Medal Ceremony
<b>08<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Kayak cross

### NOMINAL ENTRIES:

- **Nominal entries close: 26th May 2025**
- Each athlete competing must be entered through SDP system.
- Team personnel must also be submitted for accreditation at this time through SDP. These entries will be used to produce the accreditation cards for all teams.

## ENTRIES, ACCREDITATIONS & PARTICIPATION FEE

### ENTRIES & ACCREDITATIONS

Entries and accreditation requests must be made by the National Federation using the ICF's online entries system (SDP): <https://icf.mev.atos.net/icf/main.jsp>

For detailed instructions on how to submit entries, please read the SDP user guide [https://www.canoeicf.com/sites/default/files/nf\\_userguide\\_v4.0\\_final.pdf](https://www.canoeicf.com/sites/default/files/nf_userguide_v4.0_final.pdf).

Any questions or issues accessing the system or with the entries/accreditation should contact ECA Event Manager at [istanojevic@canoe-eca.eu](mailto:istanojevic@canoe-eca.eu) prior to the respective deadline.

### PARTICIPATION FEE

<u>Function</u>	<u>Numbers</u>	<u>Costs</u>
Athletes	Limited to registered athletes on ICF online entries	100 € per person
Team leaders	2 maximum per national federation	60 € per person
Team staffs	Unlimited	50 € per person
ITO	According to the list edited by ECA	Free

The payment of participation fees can be made by bank transfer before you reach Mezzana or on site upon your arrival by cash.

When your registrations are closed, you can request an invoice at the following address: [mezzana2023@gmail.com](mailto:mezzana2023@gmail.com)

### **BANK DETAILS (FOR BANK TRANSFER):**

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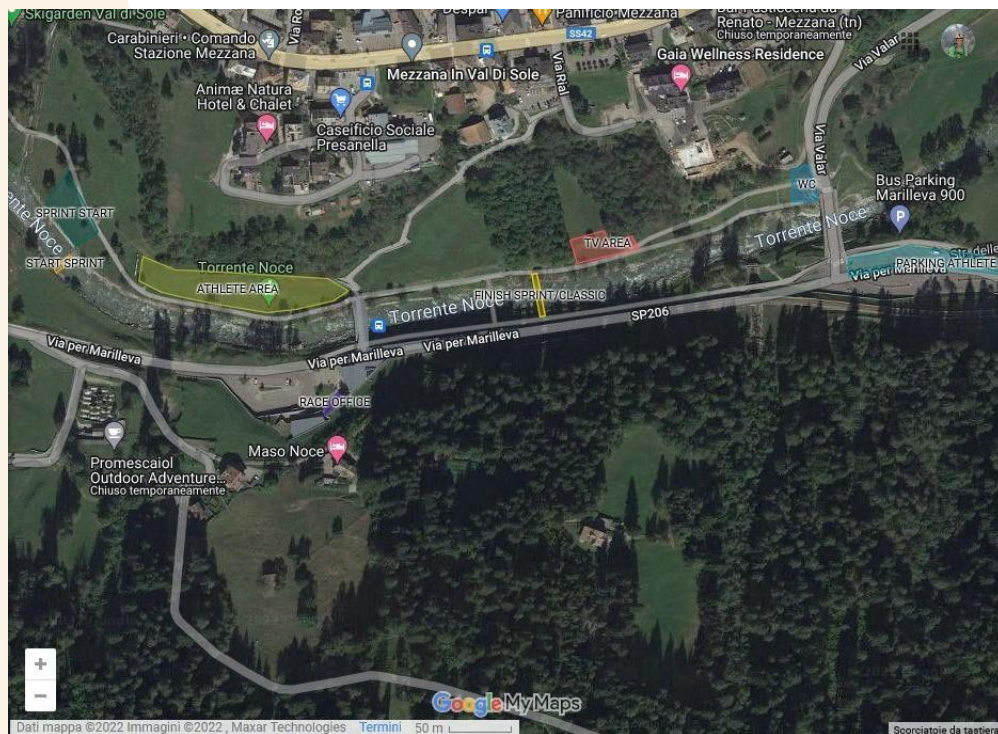
## VENUE

CLASSIC COMPETITION (finish sprint and classic competition are same)



**NOTE: IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO PARK FREELY ALONG THE ROAD, IT IS PROHIBITED. PLEASE PARK YOUR VEHICLES IN THE SPECIFIC AREAS INDICATED ABOVE.**

START SPRINT WILDWATER COMPETITION:



## USEFUL LINKS

- [LINK CLASSIC START](#)
- [LINK FINISH SPRINT AND CLASSIC](#)
- [LINK PARKING](#)
- [LINK ACCREDITATION](#)
- [LINK TEAM LEADER](#)
- [LINK PARKING CLASSIC](#)

## EVENT & COMPETITION PROGRAMME

The competition venue will be open to all the delegations and secured from Monday 01th June 2025 at 08:00 to Saturday 07th June 2025.

## COMPETITIONS PROGRAMME

TIME		SATURDAY 31 May / SUNDAY 01 June	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	Finish				
08:00:00	10:00:00	open Training Rafting			
10:00:00	13:00:00	open Training WWC			
13:00:00	15:00:00	open Training Rafting			
15:00:00	17:30:00	open Training WWC			
TIME		MONDAY 02 June	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	Finish				
08:00:00	10:00:00	official Training Rafting			
10:00:00	13:00:00	official Training WWC			
13:00:00	15:00:00	official Training Rafting			
14:00:00	15:00:00	Team Leader meeting Tourist Office Mezzana			
15:00:00	17:30:00	official Training WWC			
TIME		TUESDAY 03 June	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	Finish				
08:00:00	10:00:00	official Training Rafting			
09:30:00	13:30:00	Boat + Equipment Control Sprint Venue			
10:00:00	13:00:00	official Training WWC			
13:00:00	15:00:00	official Training Rafting			
14:00:00	16:00:00	Accreditation and bibs distribution			
15:00:00	17:30:00	official Training WWC			
18:00:00	19:00:00	Opening Ceremony			

TIME		WEDNESDAY 04 June	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	last start				
<b>Classic Individual</b>					
08:00:00	09:15:00	Training			
09:20:00		Forerunners	5		
09:31:00	10:00:00	WK1	30	00:01:00	00:30:00
		Interval			00:03:00
10:03:00	10:22:00	MC1	20	00:01:00	00:20:00
		Interval			00:03:00
10:25:00	11:14:00	MK1	50	00:01:00	00:50:00
		Interval			00:03:00
11:30:00	11:44:00	WC1	15	00:01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			
13:30:00	13:44:00	MC2	15	00:01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			00:03:00
13:47:00	13:56:00	WC2	10	00:01:00	00:10:00
		Interval			00:03:00
16:00:00	17:00:00	Bib Distribution Teams Race Office			
15:00:00	17:00:00	Rafting Training			



TIME		THURSDAY 05 June	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	last start				
08:00:00	09:15:00	Training			
<b>Sprint Teams</b>					
09:30:00	09:36:00	WK1 - Teams	7	00:01:00	00:07:00
		Interval			00:03:00
09:39:00	09:45:00	MC1 - Teams	7	00:01:00	00:07:00
		Interval			00:03:00
09:48:00	10:02:00	MK1 - Teams	15	00:01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			00:03:00
11:00:00	11:04:00	WC1 - Teams	5	00:01:00	00:05:00
		Interval			00:03:00
11:07:00	11:11:00	MC2 - Teams	5	00:01:00	00:05:00
12:00:00	13:00:00	Rafting Training			
13:00:00	14:50:00	Training			
<b>Classic Teams</b>					
14:50:00		Foreruners			
15:00:00	15:14:00	WK1 - Teams	7	00:02:00	00:14:00
		Interval			00:04:00
15:18:00	15:30:00	MC1 - Teams	7	00:02:00	00:14:00
		Interval			00:04:00
15:34:00	16:00:00	MK1 - Teams	15	00:02:00	00:30:00
16:04:00	17:14:00	WC1 - Teams	5	00:02:00	00:10:00
		Interval			00:04:00
17:20:00	17:30:00	MC2 - Teams	5	00:02:00	00:10:00
<b>CLASSIC - MEDALS PRESENTATION</b>					
18:00:00	18:30:00	Classic - Individual - Medal Presentation	6	00:05:00	00:30:00
18:30:00	19:30:00	Classic - Teams - Medal Presentation	5	00:05:00	00:25:00

TIME		FRIDAY 06 June	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	last start				
<b>Sprint Individual - Group 1 - Heats 1</b>					
08:00:00	09:15:00	Training			
09:20:00	09:24:00	Forerunners	5	00:01:00	00:05:00
09:30:00	09:59:00	WK1 - Heats 1	30	00:01:00	00:30:00
		Interval			00:03:00
10:02:00	10:21:00	MC1 - Heats 1	20	00:01:00	00:20:00
		Interval			00:03:00
10:24:00	11:13:00	MK1 - Heats 1	50	00:01:00	00:50:00
		Interval			00:03:00
11:16:00	11:30:00	WC1 - Heats 1	15	00:01:00	00:15:00
<b>Sprint Individual - Group 1 - Heats 2</b>					
12:00:00	12:24:00	WK1 - Heats 2	25	00:01:00	00:25:00
		Interval			00:03:00
12:27:00	12:41:00	MC1 - Heats 2	15	00:01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			00:03:00
12:44:00	13:28:00	MK1 - Heats 2	45	00:01:00	00:45:00
		Interval			00:03:00
13:31:00	13:40:00	WC1 - Heats 2	10	00:01:00	00:10:00
<b>Sprint Individual - Group 2 - Heats 1</b>					
14:30:00	14:44:00	MC2 - Heats 1	15	00:01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			00:03:00
14:47:00	14:56:00	WC2 - Heats 1	10	00:01:00	00:10:00
<b>Sprint Individual - Group 2 - Heats 2</b>					
15:30:00	15:39:00	MC2 - Heats 2	10	00:01:00	00:10:00
		Interval			00:03:00
15:42:00	15:51:00	WC2 - Heats 2	10	00:01:00	00:10:00
<b>Rafting</b>					
13:00:00	14:00:00	Bib Distribution Rafting			
16:30:00	19:30:00	Rafting Slalom		00:01:00	00:00:00

TIME		SATURDAY 07 June	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	last start				
08:00:00	10:00:00	Training			
10:00:00	11:30:00	Kayak Cross Training			
11:30:00	12:30:00	RX Qualification			
12:30:00	13:30:00	Kayak Cross Qualification			
13:30:00	14:30:00	Free Training Wildwater Finalists			
<b>Sprint Individual - Final</b>					
15:00:00	15:14:00	WK1 - Final	15	00:01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			00:03:00
15:17:00	15:28:00	MC1 - Final	12	00:01:00	00:12:00
		Interval			00:03:00
15:31:00	15:45:00	MK1 - Final	15	00:01:00	00:15:00
		Interval			00:03:00
15:48:00	15:59:00	WC1 - Final	12	00:01:00	00:12:00
		Interval			00:16:00
16:15:00	16:24:00	MC2 - Final	10	00:01:00	00:10:00
		Interval			00:03:00
16:27:00	16:32:00	WC2 - Final	6	00:01:00	00:06:00
17:30:00	19:30:00	Rafting Downriver			
<b>SPRINT - MEDALS PRESENTATION</b>					
19:30:00	20:00:00	Sprint - Individual - Medal Presentation	6	00:05:00	00:30:00
20:00:00	20:25:00	Sprint - Teams - Medal Presentation	5	00:05:00	00:25:00
20:25:00	20:30:00	Closing Ceremony			
21.00	24.00	Party			

TIME		SUNDAY 08 June	Number of Boats	Interval	Elapsed Time
Start	last start				
08:30:00	11:30:00	Rafting RC Knock Out			
11:30:00	14:00:00	Kayak Cross Heats, Final			



## VISA

All participants are kindly requested to contact the ITALIAN CANOE FEDERATION in time regarding visa requirements. The difficulty of obtaining visa to Italy varies by regions but you should calculate with a 45-day long issuing period to ensure the safe attainment of the visa.

### THE TYPICAL STEPS OF OBTAINING VISA ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Booking accommodation via the HOC or sending the confirmation of your hotel booking to the HOC (if booked individually) - please note, the HOC cannot take responsibility for rejection of visa issuance
2. Sending the filled-in visa application form to the HOC ([international@federcanoa.it](mailto:international@federcanoa.it))

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**Including travel details (flights, ecc....), dates and Embassy where you want retire the Visa.**

1. The HOC issues the Letter of Invitation
2. Visa issuance (Protocol Number issued by agreement between Italy NOC and Ministry of Foreign Affairs)

Please note that the HOC will not send you an invitation letter without knowing your teams' arrival/departure dates, where you are staying, how many people there are in your team and who they are. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs asks the same information from us, so we cannot stand up for you without you standing up for yourself by providing this information.

**The registration form must be received by Italian Canoe Federation before 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024: [international@federcanoa.it](mailto:international@federcanoa.it)**



## DOPING CONTROL

Doping control will be provided according to the ICF and ECA Standards, in partnership with the National entities NADO.



## ANTI-DOPING EDUCATION

For the ICF World Championships, ICF World Cups and ICF Ranking Races and Continental Championships, every athlete, coach and support personnel MUST pass the relevant anti-doping online course on the Anti-Doping Education Learning platform (ADEL) corresponding to their role

Athletes entered in any ICF competition or Continental championships must complete the ICF's anti-doping education programme or equivalent before competing or risk being denied entry to the competition. For more information please see: <https://www.canoeicf.com/anti-doping-education>

## INSURANCE

All official participants of The European Championships are strongly advised to acquire a medical insurance from the medical facilities available in their own countries.

## MEDICAL CARE

Medical assistance at the venue will be provided with an ambulance and first aid (please confirm this first with OC). Urgent or more complicated cases will be directed to the hospital. All hospital services provided in our public health care service must be paid directly by the athlete or by the National Federation he/she represents. The organizing committee does not take any responsibility for such events that may occur.

