

# WFDF 2025 World Beach Ultimate Championships

**Bulletin # 3**

**PORTIMÃO, PRAIA DA ROCHA  
ALGARVE, PORTUGAL**

**16 - 22 NOVEMBER 2025**



# WBUC 2025

The WFDF World Flying Disc Federation (WFDF), the Portuguese Flying Disc Association (Associação Portuguesa de Ultimate e Desportos de Disco – APUDD), the Clube de Praticantes Ultimate Portimão (your Local Organizing Committee – LOC) & the Municipality of Portimão are excited to host the WFDF 2025 World Beach Ultimate Championships in Praia da Rocha, Portimão, Portugal.

Please read this bulletin in conjunction with Bulletin #1 and #2. It contains additional information necessary for all teams to read, understand and follow for a smooth, safe and fun tournament.

With 136 teams, representing 38 countries, the event is set to showcase amazing worldclass Beach Ultimate with fun and laughter and creating memories for life. More than 2500 participants will attend the event, please ensure you listen to instructions, show spirit and fairness at all times.

Follow along during the week for all schedules and live results <https://results.wfdf.sport/wbuc/>

We look forward to hosting you in Praia da Rocha, Portimão, Portugal this coming week. Wishing all teams a safe travel to Portugal and good luck on the field!



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# Key dates

## TOURNAMENT OVERVIEW

The WBUC2025 will be a seven (7) day tournament running from Sunday, November 16th to Saturday, November 22nd, 2025, inclusive. Should weather (or other unforeseen circumstances) cause delays to play, the schedule will be adjusted to ensure the finals are played as scheduled on or before day 7.

## REGISTRATION

On-site event registration will take place on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>, Friday 14<sup>th</sup>, and Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> of November at the Jupiter Algarve Hotel. All teams have pre-booked appointment times specifically for your team registration. Please come early and ensure your team digital data is up to date. Appointment capped at 10 minutes each team.

## COACHES & CAPTAINS & SPIRIT MEETINGS

There are no in person meetings for WBUC. Both the Coaches' & Captains' Meeting and the Spirit Captains meetings will take place virtual via sharing of the slide decks.

## PARADE OF NATIONS & OPENING CEREMONY

The Parade of Nations and Opening Ceremony has been **cancelled** due forecasted bad weather and possible storm repairs that might be required on the beach on Sunday morning. Team photos will be moved to a later day (notification later via whatsapp).

## OFFICIAL ATHLETE PARTY & CEREMONIES

The official Athlete Party will be held on Friday, November 21st in the evening. All event participants will require the official armband for entrance to the party.

Medal Ceremonies will take place immediately following each final.

The Closing Ceremony will be held on Saturday, November 22nd, at the end of the last final of the tournament.



# Location Map and Venue



**All games for the WBUC 2025 will be held in the spacious sand area at Praia da Rocha. You can view the exact location [here](#).**

WBUC2025 LOC office, and the Athlete Village (Main tent, VC tent, and players' lounge) will be close to the Marina near Field #19. The WFDF office will be located near Field #1

WBUC REGISTRATION & OFFICIAL WFDF HEADQUARTERS is the Jupiter Algarve Hotel, Av. Tomás Cabreira 92, Praia da Rocha, 8500-802 Portimão, Portugal. WFDF can be reached outside normal beach game times by asking for Karina Woldt at reception (all hours of the night).

PLAYER LOUNGE is located near F19. Make sure to visit the player lounge, where you can find fresh fruit and see the live games and scores on TV. The lounge also features a designated area for teams to use their own physio tables for physio work. Please follow the posted guidelines for the use of this space.

## Parking & Toilets

There is free parking at the Portimão Marina, including limited spots along the road leading up to it. Please note that the parking lot is privately owned, so always drive cautiously and at low speeds.

Toilets can be seen on the map on the top side of the boardwalk as white dots. Please use the toilets with care and, whenever possible, preference the portable toilets. Do not use the fields or the beach for your toilet needs.



# Weather Warning

## Severe weather is forecast for the days leading into WBUC!

Heavy winds, rain, and massive swell are anticipated. LOC has been forced to protect the fields, by covering lines with multiple piles of sand to hopefully keep them in place. If you have practice sessions scheduled for the days before the event, please make sure not to remove the sand. After your sessions, please cover any uncovered lines.

### **THE BEACH HAS NOW BEEN CLOSED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES ON THURSDAY 13TH NOVEMBER.**

There is no beach access and no training available for teams on this day. Sorry for any inconvenience.

### **PENDING WEATHER. ACCESS TO THE BEACH ON FRIDAY THE 14<sup>TH</sup> REMAINS UNCERTAIN.**

### **DO NOT OPEN ANY OF THE TENTS NEXT TO THE FIELDS.**

### **THIS CAN CREATE A BALLOON EFFECT RESULTING IN DAMAGE TO THE STRUCTURE OR INJURY TO PEOPLE.**

Due to expected high seas, to protect the fields, some lines, particularly endzone lines, and some fields, especially the ones closest to the water (20-24), might only be set on the night before or the morning of opening day.

The beach is very large, the presence of boardwalks and support structures limits the available space for such a large event. In some fields, there might be areas that are not perfectly flat or narrow lanes between safety lines from fields. Concessions needed to be made to ensure the fields required.

# Health and Medical

## Medical Facilities

- Regarding medical assistance, there will be a doctor, nurses, and physiotherapists at the venue, as well as an ambulance and a quad with a stretcher with three paramedics. All medical staff will be in red shirts. Please refer to the map for the medical facilities at Field 19.
- The medical tent will be open from 1 hour before games start and until 30 min after the last game of the day.
- **IMPORTANT:** Please carry your Identification Card (if European) or Passport with you at all times in case of needing medical assistance. A copy is also acceptable.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** If you feel dizzy, are dehydrated, or are exhausted, please seek shade immediately, drink plenty of liquids, and consult an on-site medical staff member.

**EMERGENCY NUMBER: The emergency number in Portugal is 112**



# Beach Safety

Although the beach has been cleaned, debris may remain in the sand from musical festivals and from preparation work involving heavy machinery. The Storm might also wash up items from the sea. The use of sandsocks is recommended.

**ACCESS TO THE OCEAN:** Entering the ocean is not advised. Currents in the Atlantic are treacherous, and there are no lifeguards on duty around this time of the year. Also, due to the beginning of sand transference works, a piece of tubing will cross the entire Praia da Rocha waterline from one end to the other (PLEASE STAY AWAY FROM IT). If you need to go into the water, favour the small Marina beach next to the main tent. Do this at your own risk.

**LIGHTNING:** In case of lightning, please follow the instructions provided and ensure you get off the beach as soon as possible. Do NOT take shelter in the field tents. A return to the fields will be communicated in the official WFDF teams whatsapp group.

There is a 3-meter-wide safety area around each field. It is marked with red or black tape. Please keep this safety area clear at all times.

# Lost and Found

Please make sure to take care of your belongings. The organization is not responsible for theft or loss. There will be a lost-and-found in the players' lounge.

We encourage you all to clear the field/venue at the end of each day and drop back to the Lost and Found area any items left behind.



# Security

The Local Organising Committee (LOC) will provide general security for all teams, venues, and event areas, following the recommendations and requirements of the local authorities. These measures are designed to ensure a safe and secure environment for all participants, staff, and spectators throughout the Championship.

Teams may review the security arrangements provided and may supplement them as they deem necessary. Any additional measures must be approved in advance by the local authorities. Delegations with extraordinary security needs — such as private security personnel, special protocols, or additional logistical requirements — will be responsible for organising and covering the associated costs. Teams must notify the LOC well in advance of any such requirements to allow for coordination with the relevant local authorities and to ensure full compliance with local regulations.

Unattended bags or suspicious items will be reported immediately to the police. No bags are permitted into the grandstand. No bags may be placed under the stands or in the players lounge at any time.

# Social Expression Policy

WFDF is committed to the principles of the Olympic Movement as enshrined by the IOC in the Olympic Charter and its various guidelines, codes and regulations. In particular, WFDF adheres to a strict anti-discrimination policy with regard to race, color, religion, national origin, politics, sex or sexual orientation. WFDF would also like to remind all teams that ad-hoc protests at the WBUC venue precinct, any address of players or spectators during ceremonies or meetings, hate symbols on clothing or person, hand gestures, violence, signs, flags or demonstrations on the field of play will not be tolerated. You can find more information here.

[WFDF Social Expression Policy](#).



# Food & Beverage

Praia da Rocha has many restaurants for all tastes and budgets. The seafood and fresh fish are divine, and there are plenty of international flavours available as well.

There are many restaurants and bars on the promenade that are still working despite the low season. Treat the staff there kindly and be mindful that they might be understaffed at this time of year to handle the volume of people who will show up. Make sure not to limit your options during the day to these restaurants, and also consider the options at Praia da Rocha main street, just a few minutes away, and at the Marina (2 min walk from the main tent).

The following establishments on the promenade are in operation during WBUC2025:

- O Farol
- Atlantico
- Senhora da Rocha
- Mar e Sol
- Bonezinho
- Zodiaco (Algarve Casino Pool Restaurant is open for WBUC participants)
- Salsado do Zé
- Tropical
- Kokoa
- 3 Castelos

**LEGAL DRINKING AGE for alcohol consumption in Portugal is 18 years and older.**

**WATER in Portugal from taps is drinkable.** Athletes are advised to refill their water bottles from the water stations around the venue or at the hotels/restaurants. There will be water near the fields during the competition. Please come to the venue each morning with a full bottle of water to assist our refill team of volunteers.



# Accommodation

For those who booked accommodations through our booking agent (Viajes El Corte Inglés), please contact them directly by email, phone, or in person at Júpter Algarve Hotel. ADD EMAIL and PHONE

# Do's and Dont's at WBUC

For the successful experience of all WBUC participants, please adhere to these basic rules.

- Do use garbage bins and recycle properly. Don't litter. Please use the bins at the fields, and when possible, take your garbage and dispose of it in bins outside the beach (many by the Marina)
- Do report to the staff any safety hazards on the beach (broken glass, debris, wood) for prompt removal
- Do tell local spectators about what the sport is about
- Do use and look for #WFDFWBUC on social media
- Do treat volunteers with respect, and bring a souvenir from home to thank them for their work (to be dropped off with the Volunteer Director at the main tent)
  
- Don't litter
- Don't leave valuable items in the car
- Don't leave bags unattended
- Don't bring glass to the beach
- Don't smoke at the fields
- Don't bring any dogs to the site (unless registered aid dogs)

# Friday night WBUC Party

The WBUC2025 official parties will be held simultaneously at Katedral Club and Rock Sports Bar, both at Avenida Tomás Cabreira, 100 m apart.

Only people wearing the official WBUC2025 bracelet will be allowed in. You will receive one as part of your player pack during registration. Please make sure not to lose it.

[Katedral](#)

[Rock Sports Bar](#)



# Sponsors

**VC Ultimate** has been producing Ultimate's best-quality uniforms and custom performance apparel since 1998. A company that proudly puts values and community before profit, VC is the world's top source for quality, design, and all of your Ultimate needs.



All teams competing in WFDF events receive a 20% discount on team uniform orders. VC Ultimate is WFDF's official apparel partner and designs and produces Ultimate uniforms of the highest quality, and manufactures in both Canada and Europe using recycled fabrics. Contact [info@vcultimate.com](mailto:info@vcultimate.com) to start creating your next project.

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Contact Heiko Kissling, JUMP-and-REACH.com, it may eliminate all your headache about shipping costs, duty and taxes.

Email:

[uCustomize@JUMP-and-REACH.com](mailto:uCustomize@JUMP-and-REACH.com)

The new Hot Stamp prices are up on the website!

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The unique organisation system keeps smelly socks away from water bottles and muddy cleats away from clean clothes .

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WFDF's Footwear Sponsor **X-COM** has three different footwear categories that are aimed at the Flying Disc Audience. Hiking boots, fitness shoes and playing cleats. Providing footwear for an all-round fitness regime X-Com has your feet covered.

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Designed for optimal performance, they eliminate slippage, keep your hands warm, and improve your grip on wet, cold, and humid days. Whether you're throwing, catching, or disc golfing, Friction Gloves will elevate your game! Email address is [support@FrictionGloves.com](mailto:support@FrictionGloves.com)

The team: [frictiongloves.com](http://frictiongloves.com)



# Meet the WBUC Team

## The Local Tournament Organizing Committee (in blue shirts)

LOC Office at the Main tent near field #19.

- Pedro Vargas – Tournament Director
- Bruno Gravato – Information Technology & UltiOrganiser
- Sofia C Pereira – Vice-Tournament Director
- Ricardo Ferreira – Venue and Athlete Village
- Stephanie Huffman – Health and Safety
- Madalena Machado – Logistics (Accommodation)
- Julia Kinday and Jean-François Fortin – Volunteer Directors

## The WFDF Team (in blue shirts)

WFDF office near field #1

- Brian Gisel – Tournament Technical Director/ WFDF Vice President
- Nep Smith – Spirit Director
- Oliver Browne – Head Game Advisor
- Karina Woldt – Managing Director Events & Operations

## Volunteers (Light Blue shirts)

There are over 100 volunteers to help make the event a success. Make sure to thank them for their awesome job, and bring a small souvenir from home to auction to the volunteers (to be handed in at the main tent).

# Emergency Contacts

**For immediate emergencies contact:**

**Police, Ambulance or Fire \*\*\*Phone 112\*\*\***

In case of any threats, accidents or for general WBUC operations please reach out to WFDF Managing Director, Events & Operations

- Karina Woldt: [events@wfdf.org](mailto:events@wfdf.org)
  - phone +49-151-4045-6046
  - WFDF office (beach F1) (08:00 – 20:00 event days)
  - Official WFDF hotel Jupiter Algrave. (20:00 – 08:00 and all days when beach office not occupied)

LOC Emergency Contact: Ricardo Ferreira: +351 933 606 046 available from 07h00 – 01h00 (after 01h00, only if it is really really really serious)



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# WhatsApp Communications

WFDF and the LOC are using WhatsApp as the official communication channel for schedule changes and important notices.

Scan the QR code to join the TEAMS chat (for all team administrators and managers)

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/JI5hoim1nWNCNGrpx2Hnva>



**Spirit Captains** should join the Spirit Captains group

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/CmAZgFNNTIK4y2sGsYgla4>



# Virtual Meeting Presentations

**WBUC Virtual Coaches' & Captains Meeting Presentation**

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Dj8ahjXmbifXNkT9hrQIMVnDpOwCWGevwTKloOQZNOw/edit?usp=sharing>

**WBUC Virtual Spirit Captain Meeting Presentation**

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1zS78p0Ng-f501btrqISs54WuSyF-5vtLnKzLUJxTUPU/edit?usp=sharing>





## WORLD FLYING DISC FEDERATION

The World Flying Disc Federation is the international sports federation responsible for world governance of flying disc (frisbee) sports, including Ultimate, Beach Ultimate, Disc Golf, Freestyle, Guts and Overall Events. WFDF is a federation of 126 member associations that represent flying disc sports and their athletes in over 122 countries. WFDF is recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) and it is a member of the Association of Recognised International Federations (ARISF). WFDF is a member of the International World Games Association (IWGA) and IMGA. It is also a signatory to the World Anti-Doping Agency Code. WFDF is a registered not-for-profit 501(c)(3) corporation in the state of Colorado, USA.

