

Job advertisement:**National coach: whitewater racing, junior and elite****20% (approx. 38 days per calendar year)**

Swiss Canoe wants to maintain its high level of success in whitewater racing. To strengthen our team of coaches, we are looking for you as an experienced coach to start on January 1st 2026. Together with the Whitewater Racing Technical Committee and in cooperation with the regional performance centres for flatwater and whitewater racing, you will be responsible for the athletic development of the athletes and the national team. As a national coach, you will report to the Head of Performance Sports and work closely with the Whitewater Racing Technical Commission. You will supervise the athletes of the junior and elite teams at major competitions and during various training activities.

The main areas of responsibility are:

- Leading and supporting the elite, U18 and U23 national teams in all boat classes at major competitions
- Creating the season plan for whitewater racing
- Organising and accounting for training camps and the participation of the elite, U18 and U23 national teams in international competitions (travel, accommodation, meals, equipment, vehicles)
- Management of coaches in the regional performance centres
- Ensuring structured exchange on training planning and setting the seasonal training plan – based on individual requirements and analysis of training, competitions and performance tests
- Supporting coaches at regional performance centres with medium- and long-term career planning for athletes in the national team
- Responsibility for the budget of the national whitewater racing team

What we expect from you:

- Experience as a whitewater racing coach at international or national level
- Good organisational skills and a motivating leadership style
- Professional coaching diploma with Swiss federal certificate or equivalent foreign qualification, or willingness to obtain or complete these qualifications in Switzerland
- Two of the following languages spoken and written: German, French or English
- Good working knowledge of MS Office applications Word, Excel and PowerPoint
- Willingness to work irregular hours and travel (nationally/internationally).
- Category BE driving licence desirable (minimum B).

What we offer

- A one-year fixed-term position (with the option of extension) as national coach with a high degree of independence and responsibility
- Workload of around 20 % (approx. 38 working days per calendar year)
- A varied and challenging role working with promising athletes at international level
- The opportunity to participate in international championships (Elite, U18/U23 European Championships and U18/U23 World Championships)
- The opportunity to exchange ideas within a performance-oriented and motivated team of coaches and to develop personally within a professional support structure
- Remuneration based on Swiss Olympic guidelines

For further information, please contact Lukas Werro, Head of Performance Sports at Swiss Canoe (lukas.werro@swisscanoe.ch), or Samuel Müller, Head of the Whitewater Racing Commission (abfahrt@swisscanoe.ch).

Complete application documents, including CV, professional recognition and certificates, should be submitted by email to Lukas Werro: lukas.werro@swisscanoe.ch.