



Climbing & Mountaineering Belgium



K2 Open Belgian/Dutch Boulder Championships 2026

Regulations

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1. INTRODUCTION

The regulations for the K2 Open Belgian/Dutch Championships Boulder 2026 are based on the World Climbing Competition Regulations International Events version 2.0 (March 2025), referred to as 'World Climbing Regulations'. Where 'IFSC' or 'World Climbing' is mentioned in the World Climbing Regulations, 'CMBEL and/or NKBV' should be read where applicable.

Applicable from World Climbing Regulations are:

- Paragraph 3.3 (Safety Petitions).
- Chapter 4 (The Competition Area).
- Chapter 5 (Clothing and equipment).
- Chapter 7 (Start lists, results and rankings), only 7.1-7.3 and 7.6-7.8.
- Chapter 9 (Disciplinary procedures).
- Chapter 10 (Appeals).
- Chapter 11 (Unplanned events).
 - Chapter 12 (Technical officials), except for 12.1 A and B (no event delegate and no medical delegate will be appointed).
- Annex C
 - Chapter 1 (General).
 - Chapter 3 (Safety).
 - Chapter 4 (Competition organization), 4.2 and 4.3 do not apply for qualification round; 4.6 applies only for finale round.
 - Chapter 5 (Scoring).
 - Chapter 6 (Timing).
 - Chapter 7 (Ranking).
 - Chapter 8 (Sporting & technical incidents).
 - Chapter 9 (Appeals).

Concerning the not applicable parts:

- Chapter 1 (General) will not be replaced, except for registration & quota, that is replaced by chapter 2 in this document.
- Chapter 2 (Applicable Code and regulations) is replaced by chapter 3 in this document.
- Chapter 3, except for 3.3 (Safety) will not be replaced.
- Paragraphs 7.4-7.5 (starting orders) are covered in chapter 4 in this document.
- Paragraphs 7.9-7.14 (Cup ranking and championships rankings) are not replaced.
- Chapter 8 is replaced by chapter 5 in this document.
- Annex A and B will not be replaced.
- Annex C
 - Chapter 2 (Format) will be covered in chapter 4

2. REGISTRATION & QUOTA

- 2.1. The competition shall include Categories for male and female competitors born in 2009 or before.
- 2.2. All team members must be member of NKBV, KBF, CAB or another World Climbing association member Federation.
- 2.3. The registration deadline for all team members is 26-01-2026 23:59.
- 2.4. The number of participants is maximized to
 - A) Male: 150
 - B) Female: 100
 ordered by the order of subscription.

3. APPLICABLE CODE AND REGULATIONS

- 3.1. Each person taking part in a World Cup or any championship event must comply with the World Climbing Competition Rules, these regulations, and any amendments noted in the Event Information Sheet.
- 3.2. The following sporting codes also have the status of rules for the purposes of these regulations:
 - [Tuchtreglement seksuele intimidatie Instituut Sportrechtspraak](#)
 - [Tuchtreglement matchfixing Instituut Sportrechtspraak](#)
 - [Nationale Doping Reglement \(NL\)](#)
 - [Antidopingdecreet \(VI\)](#)
 - [Décret relatif à la lutte contre le dopage et à sa prévention \(W\)](#)
 - [IFSC RED-S Health Screening Rules](#)
 - [NKBV Disciplinaire Reglementen](#)
 - [CMBEL Codes of conduct](#)
 - [NKBV Gedragscodes](#)

4. COMPETITION FORMAT

- 4.1. The event will be organized with 3 rounds as follows:

| Round | Nr Boulders ¹ | Modus | Rotation Time | Starting Order | Quota |
|---------------|--------------------------|----------|---------------|-----------------|------------|
| Qualification | 5 | Flash | 4' (fixed) | Random | 75 (group) |
| Semi-Final | 4 | On-Sight | 5' (fixed) | Rank Descending | 24 |
| Final | 4 | On-Sight | 4' (max) | Rank Descending | 8 |

- 4.2. If the qualification quota is exceeded at the registration deadline, the competitors should be divided into 2 starting groups of approximately equal number and strength. Competitors will be assigned to a group based on the Event Seedings (see 4.3) as follows:

| Group A | Group B |
|---------|---------|
| 1 → | 2 ↓ |
| 4 ↓ | ← 3 |
| 5 → | 6 ↓ |

The boulders for each group should be designed with similar overall difficulty and character. The quota for the next round will be divided equally between the 2 groups.

- 4.3. The Event Seeding is as follows:

- All competitors with a WorldClimbing World Cup ranking

¹ The Jury President may, in exceptional circumstances, cancel up to one boulder in any round.

- All competitors with a WorldClimbing European Cup Ranking
- Belgian competitors with no WorldClimbing ranking randomized
- Dutch competitors with no WorldClimbing ranking randomized
- Other competitors randomized

4.4. The quota for each round will be filled by the best ranked competitors from the preceding round, including any competitors tied in the last qualifying position.

4.5. Official Start Lists will be produced:
A) for the qualification round: The Thursday before the event at 12:01 PM.
B) for each other round: immediately after publication of the Official Results and the conclusion of any appeals procedure for that round.
Additional copies may be made available to the event organiser, team officials, the competition speaker, and media.

5. RANKING, MEDALS AND PRIZES

Medal Ceremonies

5.1. Medal ceremonies will be held as soon as practical following the end of the event.

Event trophies, medals, and prizes

5.2. A trophy will be awarded to the winner of each competition. Silver, and bronze medals will be awarded to the climbers placed 2nd, and 3rd in the General Ranking. Multiple trophies and/or medals will be awarded if climbers are tied.

5.3. Prize money will be awarded per the amounts established by the event organiser. Tied climbers will receive the average of the prize money for the tied places.

Dutch National Championship trophies, medals, and prizes

5.4. The Dutch Boulder Championships Ranking (the Dutch Ranking) is equal to the General ranking, filtered on competitors with the Dutch Nationality.

5.5. The Highest climber of a Dutch Ranking will be awarded the title of Nederlands Kampioen Boulder 2026.

5.6. A trophy will be awarded to the winner of the Dutch national ranking. Silver, and bronze medals will be awarded to the climbers placed 2nd, and 3rd in the Dutch Ranking. Multiple trophies and/or medals will be awarded if climbers are tied.

5.7. Prize money will be awarded per the amounts established by the NKBV. Tied climbers will all receive the prize money assigned to the place in the Dutch Ranking.

Belgian National Championship trophies, medals, and prizes

- 5.8. The Belgium Boulder Championships Ranking (the Belgian Ranking) is equal to the General ranking, filtered on competitors with the Belgian Nationality and being member of KBF and/or CAB.
- 5.9. The Highest climber of the Belgian Ranking will be awarded the title of Belgian Champion Boulder 2026.
- 5.10. Gold, Silver, and bronze medals will be awarded to the climbers placed 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in the Belgian Ranking. Multiple medals will be awarded if climbers are tied.
- 5.11. Prize money will be awarded per the amounts established by CMBEL. Tied climbers will receive the average of the prize money for the tied places.
- 5.12. Individual Ranking points will be awarded to competitors at the end the event equal to the World Ranking Points for their placing in the General Ranking. Team Rankings will be calculated for the competition by summing the Individual Ranking points awarded to the 3 best-ranked climbers from the team in both men's and women's categories (the Team Points). Teams will be ranked in descending order of their Team Points. A Belgian Team Ranking will be established with the teams who are clubs or cercles of KBF and/or CAB.
- 5.13. A trophy will be awarded to the team placed 1st in the Belgian Team Ranking. Multiple trophies will be awarded if teams are tied.
- 5.14. No prize money will be awarded for team performances.