



WORLD CLIMBING YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP ARCO 2026

BOULDER / LEAD / SPEED

ITALY

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1. Organisation

1.1. World Climbing personnel

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Judge	Michael Sprague (USA)	
Judge	David Mora Garcia (ESP)	

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Head route setter Boulder	Mauro Schwaszta (ARG)	
Route setter Boulder	Garrett Gregor (USA)	
Route setter Boulder	Stefan Scarperi (ITA)	
Route setter Boulder (diversity program)	Marcelo Balestrero (BRA)	
Head route setter Lead	Matthias Woitzuck (AUT)	
Route setter Lead	Akito Matsushima (JPN)	
Route setter Lead	Yann Genoux (FRA)	
Route setter Lead (diversity program)	Maragda Bagarre Flor (POR)	

1.2. Local Organiser Committee

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2. Programme

2.1. Provisional Programme (Local Time, UTC +2)

UPDATE

Friday 17 July

07.00 - 10.00	Health and Safety Screening for Women and Men's Lead Under 17
15.30 - 17.30	Confirmation of attendance Lead
18.00	Technical Meeting Lead
19.00	Opening ceremony

UPDATE

Saturday 18 July

07.00 - 10.00	Health and Safety Screening for Women and Men's Lead Under 19
11.00 - 20.30	Women's and Men's Lead qualifications Under 17

Sunday 19 July

11.00 - 21.00	Women's and Men's Lead qualifications Under 19
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Monday 20 July

07.00 - 10.00	Health and Safety Screening for Women and Men's Speed Under 17 and Under 19
9.00 - 11.15	Women's and Men's Lead semi-finals Under 17
14.00 - 16.15	Women's and Men's Lead semi-finals Under 19
20.00 - 21.00	Women's and Men's Lead finals Under 17
21.00 - 22.00	Women's and Men's Lead finals Under 19
Following	Awarding ceremony Lead – Under 19 and Under 17
15.30 - 17.30	Confirmation of attendance Speed
18.00	Technical Meeting Speed

Tuesday 21 July

Lead contingency day

07.00 - 10.00	Health and Safety Screening for Women and Men's Boulder Under 17
9.00 - 11.00	Women's and Men's Speed practice Under 17
11.00 - 13.00	Women's and Men's Speed qualification Under 17
15.00 - 17.15	Women's and Men's Speed practice Under 19
17.15 - 19.30	Women's and Men's Speed qualification Under 19
20.30 - 21.30	Women's and Men's Speed finals Under 17
21.30 - 22.30	Women's and Men's Speed finals Under 19
Following	Awarding ceremony Speed – Under 17 and Under 19
16.00 - 18.00	Confirmation of attendance Boulder
18.30	Technical Meeting Boulder

Wednesday 22 July

Speed contingency day

07.00 - 11.00	Health and Safety Screening for Women and Men's Boulder Under 19
10.00 - 18.15	Women and Men's Boulder qualifications Under 17

Thursday 23 July

10.00 - 19.30	Women and Men's Boulder qualifications Under 19
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Friday 24 July

09.00 - 12.00	Women and Men's Boulder semi-finals Under 17
18.00 - 20.00	Women and Men's Boulder finals Under 17
Following	Awarding ceremony Boulder – Under 17

Saturday 25 July	
09.00 - 12.00	Women and Men's Boulder semi-finals Under 19
18.00 - 20.00	Women and Men's Boulder finals Under 19
Following	Awarding ceremony Boulder – Under 19
TBD	Closing ceremony

2.2. Contingency day

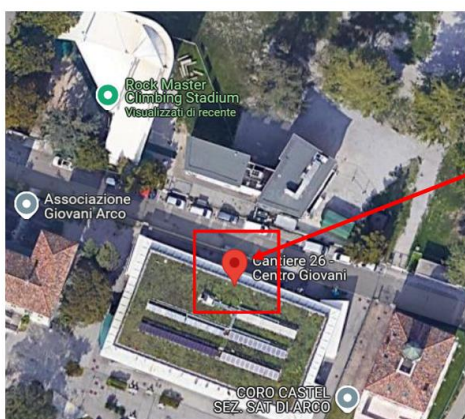
Considering the specificity of the venue and the importance of the event, all National Teams competing in Lead and Speed shall reserve one contingency day in their planning. The contingency day might be used for competition purposes, in case some of the rounds need to be postponed. Therefore:

- All National Teams competing in Lead are expected to remain onsite through Tuesday, 21 July (included) and plan their departure for Wednesday, 22 July.
- All National Teams competing in Speed shall remain onsite through Wednesday, 22 July (included) and schedule their departure for Thursday, 23 July.

2.3. Technical Meeting and confirmation of attendance

Location:

Cantiere 26 - Youth Center, Via Paolina Caproni Maini, 26/E, 38062 Arco



The venue for all Technical Meetings is approximately a 3 minutes walking from the climbing venue.

IMPORTANT: Please note that the Technical Meeting is reserved for registered National Team Officials.

Confirmation of attendance is mandatory for each discipline and must be done in person by the Head of Delegation. In case a National Team did not register the Head of Delegation, another member of the National Team shall be appointed to confirm attendance of the Team. In case of emergencies and late arrival, the Event Delegate must be informed immediately. Failure to provide this information in a timely manner may result in the athletes not being permitted to compete. A digital copy of the athletes' passports shall be provided at the confirmation of attendance.

IMPORTANT: Confirmation of attendance for each discipline is outlined in the event programme below. Athletes may only be confirmed in the discipline for which the confirmation is taking place, provided they are duly registered in that discipline. It will not be possible to confirm athletes for other disciplines during a different confirmation session.

3. Deadlines and quotas

3.1. Registration deadline

Member Federations may register eligible Team Members in the numbers and capacity following:

- A) Team Officials
 - 1) One (1) Team Manager;
 - 2) Three (3) Coaches per discipline;
 - 3) Three (3) qualified Medical Personnel
- B) Competitors
 - 1) any current Youth World Champion, in the Discipline for which they are champion; and
 - 2) a further three (3) competitors for each Category of the competition

Licences: Only competitors and team officials with a valid World Climbing international licence and approved medical status are allowed to register for the competition. Online Registration System: [link](#).

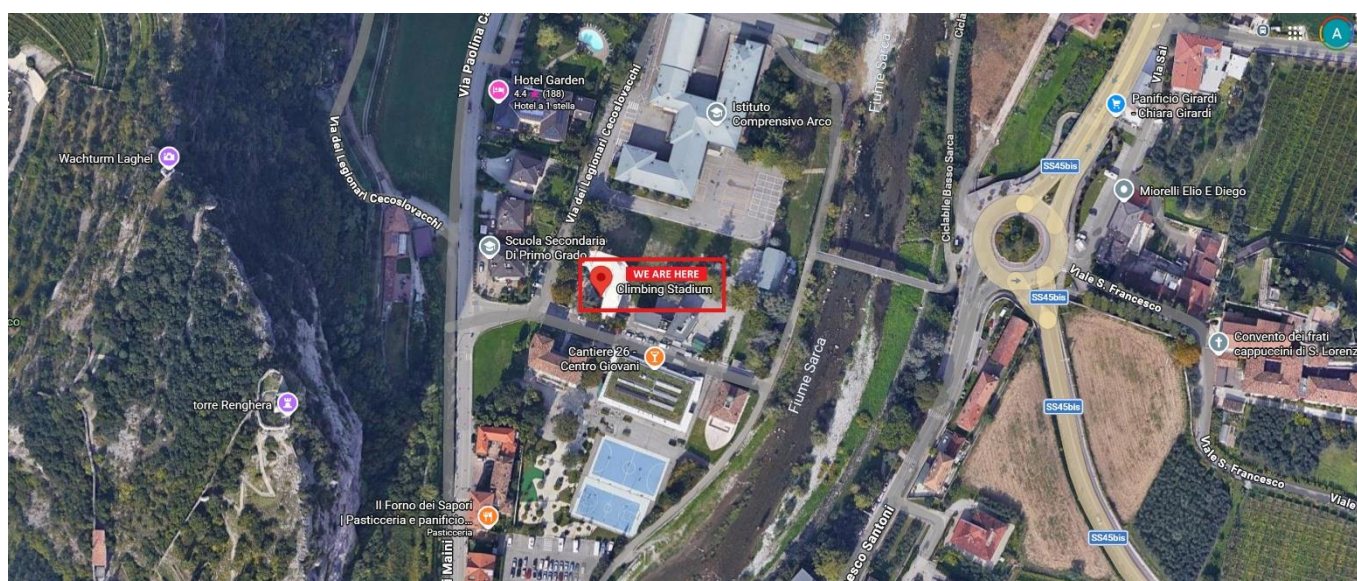
Deadline: The deadline for registration is one month before the first day of competition (the “Registration Date”) on 18th June 2026 at 11:59 PM UTC+0.

Following the Registration Date and until the 8th July 2026 at 11:59 PM UTC+0, Member Federations may, in exceptional circumstances, withdraw Team Members and substitute new Team Members to replace those withdrawn, provided that any substitute competitors must be registered in the same Category as the withdrawn competitor.

The World Climbing Office may authorise late registrations between the registration deadline and Thursday, 25 June at 23:59 CEST (UTC+2) at the latest. Late-registration requests must be officially submitted by the National Federation, and may be accepted upon payment of a late-registration fee of €200 per athlete, per discipline, and per gender.

4. Sport Information

4.1. Venue information

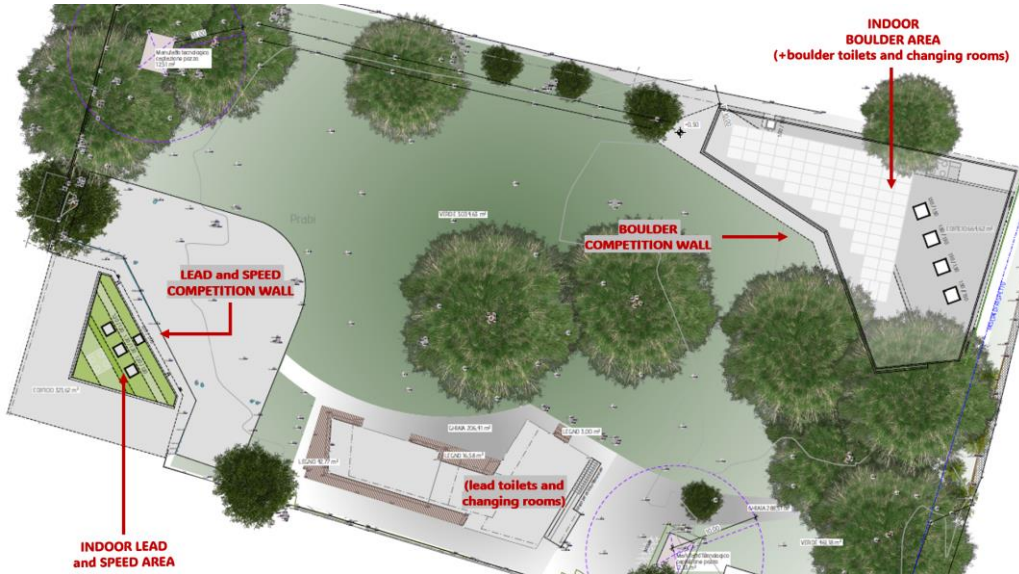


Building

Arco Climbing Stadium

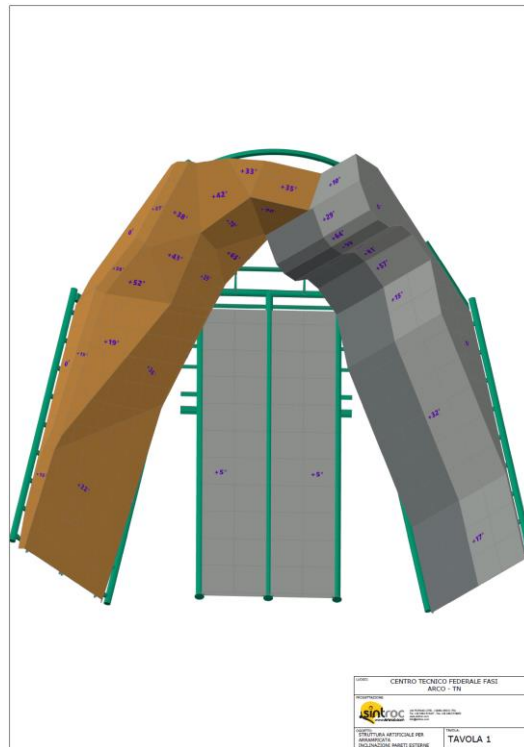
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Competition Areas

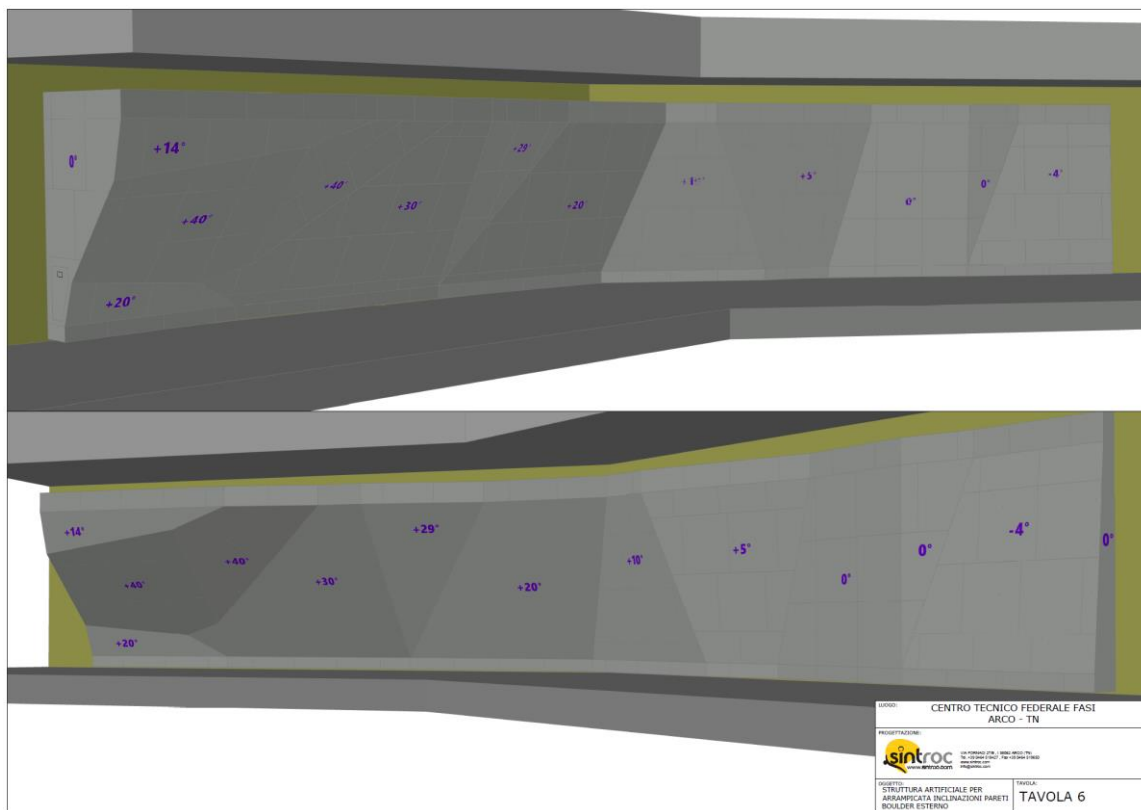


4.2. Wall profiles

4.2.1. Lead and Speed Competition Wall



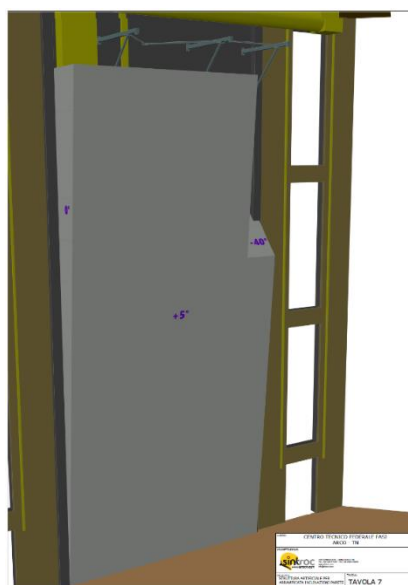
4.2.1. Boulder Competition Wall



Wall width = 34 meters

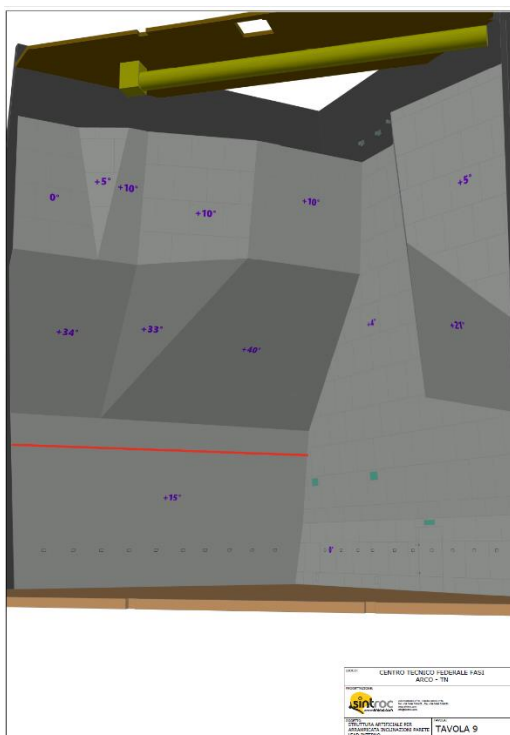
4.3. Warm-up walls

4.3.1. Speed Indoor Warm-Up Wall



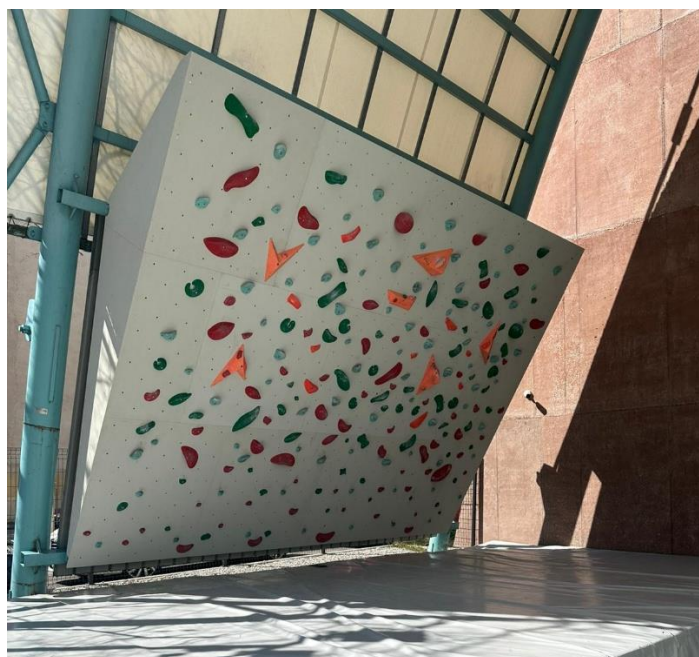
It will be set up with two competition lines and some half lines, the holds will be identical to those of the competition wall, there will be autobelays, timer and volunteers available for safety. Speed competitors can use also the outdoor and indoor spray walls

4.3.2. Lead Indoor Warm-Up Wall

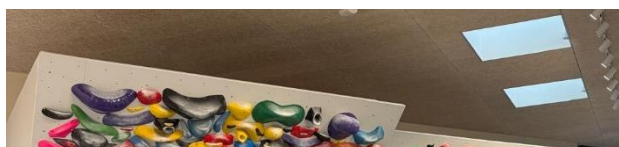


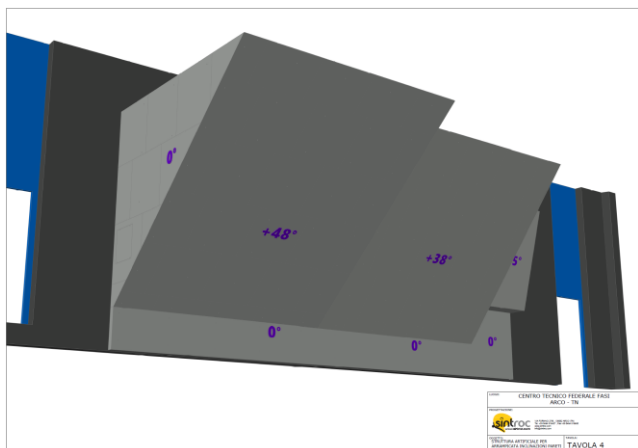
It will be set up with a 10-meter spray wall at 15° (using the lead wall up to 4 meters, see red line in photo) and mats. A few indoor routes will be available on the right side of the wall.

Just outside the main lead hall, athletes will have access to another smaller spray wall at 30° and a 12x12 Kilter Board



4.3.1. Boulder Indoor Warm-Up Wall





4.4. Training Possibilities

Lead	Speed	Boulder
<p>Arco Climbing Via Donatori di Sangue, 38062 Arco TN https://share.google/ty11VITGIVYmkJhE Entrance fee: 10 € Special itineraries will be set up for the occasion. The opening hours are TBD</p>	<p>Arco Climbing Stadium Via Paolina Caproni Maini, 26, 38062 Arco TN https://share.google/YVBUg84oPOoxjL7cr Entrance fee: FREE! Only indoor speed facilities. The opening hours are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Friday 17th 12:00 - 16:00 ▪ Saturday 18th 19:00 - 22:00 ▪ Sunday 19th 19:00 - 22:00 	<p>Arena Boulder Via Aldo Moro, 9/2 floor, 38062 Arco TN https://share.google/GmSWWnYuWl70R6rqN Entrance fee: 10 € Special itineraries will be set up for the occasion. The opening hours are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monday to Friday 10:00 - 22:00 ▪ Saturday and Sunday 10:30 - 19:30

NEAREST GYM

- Campfour (Boulder) - Viale Daino, 74, 38074 Pietramurata TN - <https://g.co/kgs/hmYNw8f>
- Block3 - Block al Cubo (Boulder) - Via del Macello, 38068 Rovereto TN - <https://g.co/kgs/XiqZuwG>
- Infinity (Boulder) - Località le Basse, 25, 38123 Trento TN - <http://infinityboulder.it/>

- SanbàPolis (Boulder and Lead) - Via della Malpensada, 82/a, 38123 Trento TN - <https://g.co/kgs/qGARXRP>

5. Boulder Qualifications

With reference to article 2.3 of annex C of the World Climbing competition regulations, Boulder qualifications will be run with a total of five (5) boulders, divided in two courses, with flash format. In details:

- a) Course A will be composed by three (3) boulders, with Random Order startlist;
- b) Course B will be composed by two (2) boulders, with Offset Order
- c) The ranking for the qualification round will be calculated from the total points accumulated by each competitor across courses A and B.
- d) Climbing time is fixed to four (4) minutes, with a fixed rotation time of fifteen (15) seconds
- e) There should be a minimum time gap of 50 minutes between the scheduled completion of a competitor's attempts on their first course and their scheduled start on the second course.
- f) Each boulder must be demonstrated by forerunners on a video recording:
 - available online via an electronic link provided to all teams, and/or
 - continuously played back in the warm-up area,
 and in each case these videos must be made available at least 60 minutes before the actual Start of Play. It is not necessary that these demonstrations show a successful `ground-up` attempt on the boulder.

6. Logistics

6.1. Visa and Travels

If you need invitations for visa, please contact segreteria@federclimb.it. In order to release an invitation letter, the LOC needs to receive the following information from all Team Members. Please send the information of all team members together in one table, looking like the following example. And please do not forget to attach a scanned copy of the passport(s)

<i>Date of birth</i>	<i>Place of birth</i>	<i>Nationality</i>	<i>Passport number</i>	<i>Expiration date</i>	<i>Occupation</i>	<i>Place of Visa Application</i>	<i>Consular authority of reference</i>	<i>Email address of the person in charge of the consular authority</i>	<i>Accommodation</i>	<i>Period of entry and exit</i>

6.2. Accommodation

National Federations can book their rooms by emailing: incoming@gardatrentino.it . Please visit the following website to get an overview of the hospitality structures available: <https://www.worldclimbingarco.com/#/accommodations>

6.3. Travel information

By plane:

The nearest airport to Arco is Verona (VRN) Airport which is 57.2 km away. Other nearby airports are Milan Bergamo (BGY) (96.2 km), Venice (VCE) (121.8 km), Milan Linate (LIN) (134.8 km) and Milan Malpensa (MXP) (171.7 km).

By train:

Verona - Brennero line: get off at Rovereto station. Here is possible to take the bus to Arco. Stop in front of the station.

By car:

- A22 Brennero - Modena motorway: exit at Rovereto Sud (Lake di Garda north), then continue on the SS240 state road towards Mori - Riva del Garda – Arco
- From the south-east of the lake, continue along the eastern gardesana SS249 (Peschiera - Garda - Malcesine - Torbole - Riva del Garda - Arco).
- From the south-west of the lake, continue along the western gardesana SS45bis (Brescia - Salò - Limone - Riva del Garda - Arco).

6.4. Local transport

Link for information on urban transport:

<https://www.trentinotrasporti.it/en/travel-with-us/city>

Arco is the perfect location for getting around by bike; the LOC secured an agreement with the following bike rental companies:

- Bike Shop Giuliani
<https://share.google/pVmq62S1yiTNiz3HF>
- BIKBIKE di PAOLO RICCIUTI
<https://share.google/j7ko3rgWxxuft6hsA>
- Vertical Bike Rent E-Bike
<https://share.google/66yvtw3dWnE5qcun>

6.5. Accreditations

Event Accreditation will be released in the moment of confirmation of attendance, for each discipline. No accreditations will be needed to watch other disciplines and rounds.

6.6. Tickets

No tickets will be needed to watch the event

7. Medical information

Emergency local doctor during the event: Filippo Sartori +39 377 349 6800

In addition to the emergency doctor, there will be a team of paramedics at the venue during the whole competition.

Emergency Numbers:

- Single European emergency number (NUE): 112
- State Police - Trento Police Headquarters: Tel. +39 0461 899511

First aid services:

- Croce Rossa - Trento Committee: +39 0461 1488091
- Croce Bianca Trento: +39 0461 820022

Nearest Hospital:

- Arco Hospital: +39 0464 582222 (Viale dei Capitelli, 48, 38062 Arco TN)
- Trento Hospital: +39 0461 903033 (Largo Medaglie d'oro, 9, 38122 Trento TN)
- Rovereto Hospital: +39 0464 403111 (Corso Verona, 4, 38068 Rovereto TN)
- Medical Service: 116117