

French Alpine Club FEDERATION - Toulouse

* YOUTH COMMISSION



INTERNATIONAL YOUTH ICE CLIMBING CAMP

Guillestre, Hautes Alpes (05), France

February 22-28, 2026

Date: Sunday February 22nd – Saturday February 28th, 2026

Location: Guillestre, near Briançon, Southern Alps of France (Rhone Alpes region, 05 departement, "Hautes Alpes")

This is the same location of the international Ice Climbing event of L'argentière-La-Bessée.

All the ice climbing sites are described on this internet site: <http://www.ice-fall.com/>

We will be in a youth hostel, called "Auberge des 4 vents"

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Rooms for 4 people, breakfast and dinner are provided by the gite and are included in price.

Staff / leaders: all the staff are qualified to supervise this event: mountaineering instructors, and IFMGA mountain guides.

Participants: Young people from 16 to 26 years old. Participants should lead rock climbs, with a minimum of 5b French grade, and should be autonomous for managing belay. **We will be offering places to a maximum of 4 participants per country Federation.**

Participants younger than 18 years old must be accompanied by an adult climber/coach, who is able to look after them during this camp.

***We will register a maximum of 18 climbers.** Due to the large number of requests to attend the event, people who have already participated in a previous camp will be registered on a waiting list.*

Registration deadline: February 1st 2026.

Please note that even if demands of registration are received before this deadline, it is not a guaranty of participation. The camp could be full before this dead line.

Price: 400 EUR per participant, **an advance of 150 EUR will be necessary (transfer bank) to confirm registration.**

Price includes accommodation, full board, leading and organisational costs **(except all picnic lunches).**

Equipment: climbing harness, winter alpinism shoes with ice crampons, climbing helmet, belay device and 5 quick draws (UIAA standard/CEN), 2 ice axes (can be rented by staff), one avalanche detector device (can be rented from staff), 5 ice screws, sun glasses & cream, sleeping bag, head torch, winter climbing clothing, toiletry kit, water bottle, any personal medication.

Insurance: Participants should be insured for accident, rescue, third party liability and travel which is valid for participating in the programme of climbing and trekking. A **copy of each insurance must be presented to the organisers on arrival.**

Entry visas: If your representatives need to obtain entry visa, please confirm their names and passport numbers to the contact emails as soon as possible as Visa processing is a very lengthy process.

Meeting point:

- Gite (there is a train between Briançon and Gap, with a stop at Montdauphin and then a shuttle to Guillestre.
- Or Blagnac Airport (Toulouse) on Saturday, February 21st (then travelling 6 hours from Toulouse on Sunday 22nd, by minibus, with Toulouse French Young Climbers participants).

Additional information and registration:

- Pierre Hullin, Head of Youth section at CAF-Toulouse: gaspard1877@gmail.com - +33 637 891 333,
- Christian Biard, Member of the National Commissions of Youth and Mountaineering of FFCAM, christian.biard@orange.fr

About UIAA Global Youth Summit events: These events are a great opportunity to meet a varied group of young climbers from home and abroad, and make new friends, as well as exchange climbing techniques.

Activities / Schedule

The main goal of this youth ice climbing camp is to learn practicing many forms of ice climbing –one pitch, or multi pitch routes. The camp will include:

- how to use different sorts of equipment (ice screws, crampons, ice axes, ...),
- how to climb on ice safely, and how to make a safe belay,
- evaluating the ice and its quality,
- a first approach on "dry tooling" climbing.

There is also a training during the camp, led by an IFMGA mountain guide for future FFCAM Ice Instructors. You will learn how to manage an Ice training school for inexperienced climbers. (Maximum 8 participants)

Some pictures of some previous events / camps:

2025	https://photos.app.goo.gl/eidpbJb17haHQG827
2024	https://www.ffcam.fr/le-stage-de-glace-2024-du-club-de-toulouse-en-image.html
2023	https://photos.app.goo.gl/zw3UbGTmseoM9Fqx5
2022	https://www.ffcam.fr/index.php?nocache=1&alias=cascades-sans-frontieres-2022
2020	https://www.ffcam.fr/index.php?nocache=1&alias=camp-jeunes-uiaa-cascade-glace-guillestre-2020
2019	https://photos.app.goo.gl/jGiV3Ge5GjWz6AYW6

Sunday, end of afternoon, February 22nd, 2026:

- Arrival at the gite: about 6:00 PM for the participants coming from Toulouse
- Catching up in Montdauphin station, for the foreign participants (or directly at the youth hostel)
- Installation in rooms
- Provisioning of needed gear by staff

Other days: 07:00 AM, breakfast, then splitting in different groups according to climbers' current level of ice climbing, going to different sites.

Last day, Saturday, February 28th, 2026, about 1:00 PM: End of camp

(For people going back home from Toulouse: arrival in Toulouse at about 8:00 PM).

International ice climbing in Guillestre, Hautes Alpes (05), France February 22nd – February 28th, 2026

FEDERATION: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____

E-MAIL: _____

Name and Family Name		Sex	
Date of Birth			
Address			
Email			
Mobile telephone			
Passport number		Period of validity	
Date of issuing and city			
Please indicate your language preferences.			
Spoken languages		1.	2.
Special diets: ☐ vegetarian ☐ Eat variety ☐ allergies and intolerances ☐ special diet			
Details:			
Do you have any Special medical needs or allergies that we should be aware of?			
Name and telephone numbers of a person we can contact in the event of an emergency. Relationship type (parent, spouse, friend, ...)			
Participant climbing experience, level and skills:			
I can tie in /Yes/No/ =			
* I can top rope belay safely /Yes/No/ = using (belay device)			
* I can lead belay safely /Yes/No/ with a (belay device)			
Rock climbing: My current onsight level is:_____ My current redpoint level is:_____			

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Place, date and time of arrival and transport, which you plan to use :

- ☐ By train (Toulouse Matabiau station)
- ☐ By plane (Toulouse Blagnac airport)

*****Insurance: Participants should have a collective or individual insurance policy,** which guarantees covering the expenses of all rescue operations should an accident occur in France. In addition, third party liability, accident and travel insurance should be acquired. Please bring a copy of your insurance with you.

Name of the insurance company: _____

Policy number: _____

Others notes: _____

Participants applying for a UIAA Global Youth Summit event also acknowledge and accept that:

- Safety is a primary concern at UIAA Global Youth Summit Events, but as with all the forms of climbing/mountaineering there is a danger of personal injury or death. The participant must strictly follow the rules given by the leaders.

- Participants at UIAA Global Youth Summit events, and their parents if younger than 18, accept the risks of participation and are responsible for their own actions, which should take into account relevant circumstances such as changing weather conditions.

- To take part it is necessary to be medically fit to do the activity and have valid liability and accident insurance which is valid in the country of the event and which covers rescue and repatriation. Please bring a copy of your insurance with you to show the organizers

IMPORTANT: consumption of alcohol under 18 years of age is strictly forbidden during the camp.

Any further question? Please mention it in your email when you send the application form.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT :

(Parents or participant if over 18)

Date:

The candidate participation must be approved and confirmed by the President of his country Mountain Federation President, with the Federation's stamp

Signature (or authorized representative signature)

Stamp

Signature (or authorized representative signature) _____

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