

LOOKING AT THE FEDERATION'S WATER PROGRAMS



GARDIENS DE LA RIVIÈRE



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Water Trails (Sentiers Nautiques®): To convey good reflexes and discover the territory from a different point of view through paddle sports, the federation, after an experimental period in the early 2010s, established in 2021 the Sentiers Nautiques®, a network of local value-added eco-tourism products.

True territorial showcase, through the paddling itinerancy, the Nautical Trails allow all to discover the built heritage, natural, cultural and landscape, thanks to a dedicated signage, safe routes, smooth mobility, in line with the micro-adventure concept, close to home sometimes. Paddle sports allow this virtuous change of scenery!

The dedicated website: www.sentiers-nautiques.fr

PAGAIE NATURE



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River Keepers (Gardiens de la Rivière®) is a network of paddleboard sport associations and professionals who act as sentinels at practice sites. They watch over the rivers, water bodies and the coast, scrutinizing pollution and dangers that may arise. These federal structures, voluntarily committed to the preservation of spaces and practice environments commit to ensure a linear river, coastal or water body in order to perpetuate access and practice, preserve the ecological quality and contribute to the dissemination of knowledge among members, a sine qua non condition for its respect.

Through this network, the Federation has set itself the objectives of:

- Preserving the ecological quality of practice environments;
- Improve the overall knowledge of our practice spaces (frequented and potential courses, obstacles, biodiversity issues...), and to help build a true Geographic Information System for paddle sports;
- Enhancing the value of federal structures towards other water users.



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The Nature Paddle (Pagaie Nature®) Program: is part of the construction of the Paris 2024 inheritance, and one of the axes of the federal project. It was launched thanks to the call for projects of the Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games «Impact 2024». Its objective is to encourage paddle sport structures to discover and preserve their practice environments (eventually becoming River Keepers®), to think differently about the life of their nautical equipment and to adapt their nautical bases and their mobilities to current and future environmental and climatic issues. 3 topics are covered, and will be finalized at the end of the 2024 Olympiad:

- Preservation of practice environments, with the creation of a Point Paddle Nature® quality label;
- The drafting of a technical book on the recycling and repair of nautical equipment, accompanied by training time on major events (including the Ardèche Marathon);
- A reflection and guide of good practices on the sustainability of nautical bases and the mobilities that are connected to it, with, in the end, the rewriting of the technical book of the equipments.

