

## REGULATION

### 27th "Du Grain" Film Festival – November 13th > 22th 2026 International Film Competition (short and feature films) and Official selection (out of competition)

The 27th « Du grain » international film festival will take place between November 13th and 22th 2026 in Gonfreville-l'Orcher, Le Havre and Montivilliers (76 000, Normandy - France.) The festival is organised by the "Du grain à démoudre" association, with the support of the town of Gonfreville l'Orcher, Le Havre, the Centre National du Cinema et de l'image animée (CNC), the Conseil Régional de Normandie, Département de Seine Maritime, Direction Régionale des Affaires Culturelles (DRAC) de Normandie, Le Havre Seine Métropole and La Caisse d'Allocations Familiales (CAF) de Seine Maritime.

#### 1. Terms of participation

The selection will concern productions completed after January 1st, 2025 not yet presented to the selection committee. All film productions (fiction, animated films, documentaries, experimental films) can be submitted to the selection committee.

#### Maximal duration accepted for short films : 29 minutes.

When selected, film productions must comply with indications specified on the registration form. Advertising and corporate films are not accepted.

#### 2. Registration

- **For short films** : by the platform of on-line registration [www.shortfilmdepot.com](http://www.shortfilmdepot.com), and also available through the website [www.dugrainademoudre.com](http://www.dugrainademoudre.com)

**Deadline for registration : May 15th, 2026**

- **For feature films** : through the website of the Festival [www.dugrainademoudre.com](http://www.dugrainademoudre.com) (a registration form must be completed, printed, signed and sent by email to the Festival). The registration of the film will be effective on reception of the registration form with a private link with password)

**Deadline for registration : July 1st 2026**

#### 3. Official selection (out of competition, special events, short film night)

At least 1 photo of the film will be requested. If needed, the list of original dialogues and their French or English translation will be sent with promotional material.

#### 4. Competition selection

5 feature films and 5 short films will be selected for the international competition. At least 1 photo of the film will be requested as well as a photo of the director(s). If needed, the list of original dialogues and their French or English translation will be sent with promotional material.

The list of selected films will be available on the Festival's website from october 15th 2026.

#### 5. Posting copies of selected films

Selected films must be sent to the Festival bureau by **November 1st november 2026** at the latest.

#### 6. Publication authorisation

The registration of a film automatically entails the authorisation to publish it in the Festival catalogue, in all Festival print communication and on the Festival Internet website.

#### 7. Returning copies

Copies will be returned the week which follows the end of the festival.

#### 8. Transportation and insurances

Copies' delivery charges are the responsibility of participants and return delivery charges the responsibility of the Du grain à démoudre association.



Insurance costs covering the period between the reception and returning of copies are the responsibility of the Du grain à démoudre association.

Should there be any losses or deterioration during this period, the Du grain à démoudre association will be responsible for the replacement value of the copy.

No claims concerning the state of copies will be receivable beyond 30 days following the return date.

## 9. Invitations

Directors of films selected will be invited to the Festival.

The Du grain à démoudre association will take in charge the travel expenses, meals and accommodation.

For each film, one director (or representative) will be invited.

## 10. Prizes

Various prizes will be awarded, including:

- **'The Grand jury'** prize (Festival Trophy for the best feature film and the best short film, composed by professional players from the audiovisual field, film directors, actors, stage directors...)
- **'The young film lovers jury'**, for the best feature film and the best short film (Festival Trophy)
- **'The young audiovisual student jury'** for the best feature film and the best short film (Festival Trophy)
- **'The public'** prize (Festival Trophy) for the best feature film and the best short film. This prize is awarded by the spectators' vote. The public prize also concerns the competition "Lab" (aesthetic news, unconventional stories, school films...).

Award-winning films get broad promotion via professional networks.

## 11. Promotion

Participation in the Festival automatically gives the du grain à démoudre association authorisation to reproduce and broadcast, free of charge, extracts of films selected for the Festival on television and on internet sites. These extracts must not exceed 10% of the total length of the film and will in all cases be limited to 3 minutes. They will only be used for Festival news reports, television or Web programs or interviews, and/or promotional adverts for the current or future Festivals.

## 12. Following the Festival

Participation in the Festival automatically gives to the Du grain à démoudre association the authorisation to edit extracts of several films selected for the Festival (in particular prize-winning films) and to screen them, via any format, to promote the Festival in France and abroad. This authorisation is valid for a period of one year, renewed by tacit agreement.

## 13. Unexpected cases and disputes

Situations not provided for in the Festival regulations are to be handled by the Du grain à démoudre association's bureau or its representative, who are also responsible to grant dispensations on special motivated request.

## 14. Miscellaneous

Participation in the Festival automatically implies that the terms of the present regulations are accepted without reserve. The Du grain à démoudre association's bureau or its representative are authorised to cancel a registration and take adequate measures should the Festival regulations not be complied with or in case of any attitudes susceptible of disturbing the good progress of the event.

Should any dispute occur, the tribunal of competent jurisdiction is the court of Le Havre.

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