

CANOE-KAYAK



AGE GROUP(S) & CATEGORIES

Voyageur River Race:

30+ years of age (born in 1989 or earlier)

Canoe Polo:

30+ years of age (born in 1989 or earlier)

Tandem River Race:

Category 1[A]: Males 30-45 years of age (born between 1974 and 1989)

Category 1[B]: Females 30-45 years of age (born between 1974 and 1989)

Category 1[C]: 1 Male and 1 Female 30-45 yrs of age (born between 1974 and 1989)

Category 2[A]: Males 45+ years of age (born in 1974 or earlier)

Category 2[B]: Females 45+ years of age (born in 1974 or earlier)

Category 2[C]: 1 Male and 1 Female 45+ yrs of age (born in 1974 or earlier)

Maximum 80 athletes

(40 athletes for voyageur canoe event; 40 athletes for river races)

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY & AFFILIATION

Athletes cannot be younger than 30 years of age (born in 1989 or earlier).

Eligible Athletes may compete in one, two (2) or all three (3) of the Alberta Masters Games events.

The Alberta Masters Games are Open to Residents of Alberta. Eligible athletes from just outside the provincial boundary, who are members of the Alberta Whitewater Association (AWA), may be able to compete if they have no provincial masters events in their province/territory.

Canadian National Team athletes that have competed at an international event representing Canada in any Canoe / Kayak Sport are eligible to participate in the Alberta Masters Games.

Required affiliation: Alberta Whitewater Association (AWA) Member. for information on how to affiliate, check out www.albertawhitewater.ca

EVENTS

Voyageur Canoe River Race:

This race will be a timed race initiated with staggered starts from the Horburg Provincial Campground Canoe Launch and include technical challenges at 4 key rapids on the North Saskatchewan River before concluding on river left, Highwater House of the Rocky Mountain House National Historic Site.

Teams will consist of six (6) paddlers of which at least two paddlers must be female. All paddlers must be 30 years of age (at some point in 2019) or older.

Canoes will be the 25' - six (6) person centennial canoes (or equivalent).

Canoe Polo:

Canoe Polo shall be governed by the rules of the International Canoe Federation (ICF) with exceptions to rules pertaining to team size, team composition, tournament format, time of games and code of fair play in order to accommodate the Alberta Masters Games configuration.

The goal will be to create even teams with each team having at least 2 females on the polo pitch at any time. All team athletes will be at least 30 years of age at some point in 2019, or older.

The Canoe Polo event format at the Alberta Masters Games will be a round robin tournament that allows each team to play all other teams with a final medal playoff round. Games will be sixteen (16) minutes in length (8 minute halves). There will be a 3 minute break at half time.

- the senior women's ball (between 65 and 67 centimeters in circumference / 83-90 kPa) will be used for all competitions
- tackling will be allowed
- rough play will not be tolerated among unequally sized or skilled players

Tandem Canoe Race:

This race will be a timed race initiated with staggered starts from the Fischer's Rapids and include technical challenges at 4 key rapids on the North Saskatchewan River before concluding on river left, Highwater House of the Rocky Mountain House National Historic Site.

All paddlers in the 30 – 45 years age category must be at least 30 years of age (born in 1989 or prior).

Teams consisting of two (2) males will compete in Category 1[A]. Teams of two (2) females will compete in Category 1[B]. Teams of one male and one female will compete in Category 1[C].

All paddlers in the 45+ years age category must be at least 45 years of age or older (born in 1974 or prior).

Teams consisting of two (2) males will compete in Category 2[A]. Teams of two females will compete in Category 2[B]. Teams of one male and one female will compete in Category 2[C].

Teams with one person 45 yrs or under and one person over 45 yrs will compete in the category 1 groups.

Canoes will be tandem and no longer than 17'6" with a recommended width no narrower than 33".

PROTEST PROCEDURES

After the posting of the results for the Voyageur and tandem river race events, team leads will have 30 minutes to lodge an inquiry into times and penalties with the Chief Judge. The Chief Judge will then decide whether there is enough information for the team to win a protest or leave the time standing.

For the Canoe Polo event the Field Judge has full control of the match.

FACILITY INFORMATION

The Highwater House near the Rocky Mountain House National Historic Site campground will be the “Paddle Events Central” throughout the 3 day event.

River Races will have “put-ins” upstream on the North Saskatchewan River west of the town of Rocky Mountain House.

The Horburg Provincial Campground Canoe launch (31 kms west of Rocky Mountain House) will be the starting point of the Voyageur River Race.

River access through private property to the start of the Tandem River Race near Fischer’s Rapid is approximately 10.2 kms of road travel (west predominantly on highway 11A).

Signage will guide participants to the put-ins as well as back to the race finish points.

The Canoe Polo event will take place at the Creekside Pond in the southwest part of the Town of Rocky Mountain House. Access is off of highway 752 (Cow Lake highway / 62nd St).

Transportation and equipment movement associated with the paddling events are the sole responsibility of the individual athletes.

Camping for Canoe/Kayak participants is available for 3 nights at the Rocky Mountain House National Historic Site. Please check <https://www.albertamastersgames.ca> for more details.

ALBERTA MASTERS GAMES REGISTRATION FEE/SPORT REGISTRATION FEE

An Alberta Sport Connection Games registration fee of \$35 per person will be charged, and a Host Society Sport fee of \$15 will be levied on all participants who register for the 2019 Alberta Masters Games

HOST SPORT CHAIR CONTACT INFORMATION

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Note: Competition Schedule Subject to Change