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INFORMATION PACKAGE: 2021 OPTT

To: National Team Athletes, National Team Coaches, Provincial Teams, Clubs,
Officials, High Performance Committee & Competition Organizers

From: Graham Barton, Chief Technical Officer
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Date: March 2, 2021

EVENT: 2021 Olympic & Paralympic Team Trials (OPTT)

DATES: Thursday, March 11, 2021 to Sunday, March 14, 2021

VENUE: Burnaby Lake, Burnaby, BC

PURPOSE:

For the competition objectives identified below please refer to the 2021 National Team Selection Policies and the 2021-22 AAP Criteria found under the High Performance section of the Resources tab on the CKC website; <http://canoekayak.ca/selection-criteria/>

COVID-19:

The 2021 Olympic and Paralympic Team Trials will be held under the regulations of local Covid-19 protocols and specific CKC competition Covid-19 protocols. A separate document with all competition Covid-19 protocols will be published prior to the event. To uphold the local and competition Covid-19 protocols the event will be run with two competition venue cohorts. Only those athletes who have completed the intent to compete form and those approved to participate in the Tokyo 2021 Preparation Camp are eligible to register. Athletes who completed an Intent to Compete form must provide a negative Covid-19 test within 72 hours prior to arriving at the venue. **No spectators, coaches, or media can attend the event in person.**

A. COMPETITION SPECIFICS

1. The competition will be run with modified ICF racing rules. A copy of the ICF racing rules can be found on the ICF website www.canoeicf.com and the modified rules will be reviewed with the coaches at the virtual pre-competition meeting:

Wednesday, March 10, 2021 @ 4pm Pacific / 7pm Eastern

Register in advance for the Zoom Pre-Competition Meeting (Link sent via e-mail)

2. The format will include open events only. There will be two (2) finals for each Olympic and Paralympic event.
3. This competition is only open to all athletes who hold Canadian citizenship.
4. In order to participate, all entrants must be in "good standing" with CKC and their member club.
5. All payments for **any** outstanding accounts must be made by cheque, cash, email transfer* (jhache@canoekayak.ca) or credit card** payment **prior to the Pre-Competition Meeting (Wednesday, March 10 at 4pm Pacific / 7pm Eastern)**. Athletes who do not settle their account with CKC risk being disqualified from the Trials event.
*** E-Transfer – please use password: Canada**
**** Credit card payments are subject to 3% processing fee.**
6. Advancement specifics will be communicated after the entries are closed and the number of heats for each event is known.
 - a. Only those crews in Final 1 will advance to Final 2.
 - b. If required only those crews that won Final 1 and Final 2 will be included in a race-off.
 - c. If required, in non-qualified Olympic events (See below) only those crews that are composed of athletes who have not earned an athlete quota for Canada will race in a Pan Am Final to be held at the end of Olympic Selection.
 1. Men K-2 1000
 2. Men C-2 1000
 3. Women K-2 500
 4. Women C-2 500

- d. There will not be any B Finals at Olympic Team Trials.
7. Athletes who miss a race or scratch from a race after the Pre-Competition Meeting will be required to pay a penalty of \$75 CAD prior to the end of the same race day or next event in which they are entered in order to continue racing and for their results to stand.
8. CKC will post results and advancements on the **Canoe Kayak Canada immediaC results App**.
9. Protests can be submitted by Remote Spokespersons registered by an athlete in the 2021 OPTT – Athlete Registration process. A link to the online protest form will be sent to all registered Remote Spokespersons ahead of the Trials. Protests must be submitted via the online form within 1 hour of the race.
10. **Boat Numbers:** CKC and Host Organizing Committee will provide regulation size boat numbers for the 2021 OPTT.
11. Athletes registered and competing at the 2021 OPTT are subject to the Canadian Anti-doping Control Program. Anti-doping controls may be conducted on a random basis in accordance with the Canoe Kayak Canada's Anti-Doping Policy and Doping Control Program. <http://canoekayak.ca/anti-doping/>. In the 14-day period prior to this competition, athletes and coaches are advised to seek medical counsel prior to utilizing **any** medications, ointments, drops, nutritional supplements, etc. which may be used for acute or chronic medical conditions. Such advice should be provided by physicians familiar with the International Olympic Committee's "banned list of drugs" which can be found on the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport's [Drug Classification](#). Any questions or concerns about specific products should be directed to the Canadian Center for Ethics in Sport at 1 (800) 672-7775, by fax at (613) 521-3134 or by e-mail to info@cces.ca

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

The Chief Technical Officer reserves the right to change published race schedules and the advancement format in order to provide the fairest possible racing and selection conditions to all participating athletes.

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
MORNING			
MK4 500 Final 1	MK4 500 Final 2	WC2 500 Final 1	WC2 500 Final 2
WK4 500 Final 1	WK4 500 Final 2	WK2 500 Final 1	WK2 500 Final 2
MC2 1000 Final 1	MC2 1000 Final 2	MC1 1000 Heats	MC1 1000 Final 2
MK1 1000 Heats	MK1 1000 Final 2	MK1 200 Heats	MK1 200 Final 2
WK1 200 Heats	WK1 200 Final 2	WK1 500 Heats	WK1 500 Final 2
WC1 200 Heats	WC1 200 Final 2		
Para VL Seeding	Para VL Final 2		
Para KL Seeding	Para KL Final 2		
AFTERNOON			
WK1 200 SF	<i>Race-offs (if required)</i>	MC1 1000 SF	MK2 1000 Final 2
WC1 200 SF		MK1 200 SF	<i>Race-offs (if required)</i>
MK1 1000 SF		WK1 500 SF	
WK1 200 Final 1		MC1 1000 Final 1	
WC1 200 Final 1		MK1 200 Final 1	
Para VL Final 1		WK1 500 Final 1	
Para KL Final 1		MK2 1000 Final 1	
MK1 1000 Final 1			

B. ATHLETE REGISTRATION FOR OPTT

1. Athletes will need to complete the **2021 OPTT - Athlete Registration** process on ckcmember.ca by **4pm Pacific / 7pm Eastern, March 7, 2021**. Please reference the *2021 OPTT - Athlete Registration Guide* for more detailed steps on how to complete the online registration form. If you need assistance with this process, please email Laurel MacAdam, Domestic and High Performance Coordinator at lmacadam@canoekayak.ca.
2. For any athletes under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian must complete the 2021 OPTT – Athlete Registration form on your behalf to sign the release agreement waiver.
3. The 2021 OPTT – Athlete Registration process will include the following:
 - Identify remote spokesperson (Coach off-site who will represent the athlete to the Competition Committee, if needed). Ryan Blair, Chair of Coaches Technical Committee will be available as the on-site spokesperson for all competing athletes, as needed.
 - Sign a release agreement waiver. **Note:** Athletes who are 17 years and younger will require a parent/guardian to complete the process.
4. The entry fee for 2021 OPTT is **\$225 CAD** per athlete. Payment in full must be received **prior to the Pre-Competition Meeting (Wednesday, March 10 at 4pm Pacific / 7pm Eastern)**.
5. Payment Options available:
 - **E-Transfer** to jhache@canoekayak.ca. Password: Canada
 - **Credit card** payment by phone at 613-869-1591. Credit card payments are subject to 3% processing fee.

No cash, credit or cheque payments will be accepted in person at the competition.

C. ENTERING ATHLETES INTO RACES

1. Entries into specific races for all athletes training with the National Team at the Tokyo Preparation Camp in Burnaby, BC will be submitted by the National Coach.
2. Athletes who are NOT currently training with the National Team at the Tokyo Preparation Camp in Burnaby, BC and who submitted the Intent to Compete form, must submit their entries into specific races as part of the 2021 OPTT – Athlete Registration process on ckcmember.ca
3. Deadline to submit entries for this competition is **4pm Pacific / 7pm Eastern, March 7, 2021.**
4. There are no Post Entries.

D. OTHER COMPETITION DETAILS

WhatsApp - Event Updates and Reminders

Please join the 2021 OPTT/EEOP WhatsApp chat to receive event updates and reminders directly to your cell phone via the mobile app during Trials. To join the chat, please follow the instructions below:

If you DO NOT have WhatsApp:

1. Download WhatsApp on your phone.
 - Download from the App Store (iPhone) or Play Store (Android) on your phone

OR

 - Visit <https://www.whatsapp.com>
2. Open WhatsApp and follow prompts to set-up account.
3. Close app and click link below on your phone to join the Trials group chat.
4. Confirm your settings are set-up to receive notifications for new messages.
 - Open WhatsApp and click on *Settings* button. Click *Notifications*. Turn on *Show Notifications* for Group Notifications.

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This is a free app, but please note it requires Wi-Fi or cellular data internet. For more information on WhatsApp, please visit their website: <https://www.whatsapp.com>

Training Times

Burnaby Lake is available as of Monday, March 1, 2021 for training between 10 AM and 4 PM on weekdays and 12:30 PM and 4PM on weekends. Reminder: Intent to compete athletes are only permitted at the venue with proof of a negative Covid-19 Test within 72 hours prior to arriving at the venue.

Boat Storage

Boats for Tokyo 2020 Preparation Camp participants will be stored inside the CKC shipping containers in the parking lot. Athletes who submitted an intent to compete are responsible for their own boat, there is no inside storage. There will be security at the venue during the competition only.

Boat Control

Boat weighing will be set-up in the on Wednesday, March 10 from 10:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-3:00pm and will be competition ready one hour before the first race on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Streaming

The 2021 OPTT will be streamed by Sport Canada TV. Links to watch the stream will be published on the CKC website. <https://canoekayak.ca/event/2021-olympic-and-paralympic-sprint-team-trials/>

Media

Media requests can be sent to Colleen Coderre, Communications Lead at ccoderre@canoekayak.ca.

Pre-Competition Meeting

A meeting of competition organizers, officials and coaches will be held to provide final competition details.

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