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## Canoe (Dragon Boat)



- 1 **Organisers:** Organising Committee of the World Masters Games 2021 Kansai, Organising Committee of the World Masters Games 2021 Kansai • Shiga Local Organising Committee, Otsu Local Organising Committee, Shiga Canoe Association, Shiga Dragon Boat Association
- 2 **Co-organisers:** Japan Canoe Federation, Japan Dragon Boat Association, Shiga Prefecture, Otsu City

- 3 **Competition Dates:** Friday, 28 May – Sunday, 30 May 2021 (Competition: 2 Days)

Date	Time	Event
Friday, 28 May	9:00 – 17:00	Official Training, Team Managers' Meeting
Saturday, 29 May	8:00 – 17:00	Women's / Mixed / Open Small (10) : Heats, Repechage, Semi-Final· Finals
Sunday, 30 May	8:00 – 14:00	Women's / Mixed / Open Standard (20) : Heats, Repechage, Semi-Final· Finals

\* Extra days for bad weather: None

#### 4 Venue

Biwako Motor Racing Course  
(1-1 Chagasaki, Otsu, Shiga 520-0023)

#### 5 Competition Capacities

Small (10 paddlers): 80 teams

(A team should be composed of 10-15 people, including 1 manager, 1 drummer and 1 steerer (allowed to serve as a paddler) and paddlers).

Small (20 paddlers): 65 teams

(A team should be composed of 18-25 people, including 1 manager, 1 drummer and 1 steerer (allowed to serve as a paddler) and paddlers).

#### 6 Rules and Method of Competition

(1) Competition Rules



All events are conducted in accordance with the 2021 competition rules of the International Canoe Federation (ICF), or as otherwise specified in this document. Provided, however, the 2021 competition rules of the Japan Canoe Federation (JCF), the International Dragon Boat Federation (IDBF), and the Japan Dragon Boat Association (JDBA) shall also be adopted.

(2) Technical Delegates

Masao Nakai, Executive Director of Japan Canoe Federation

Makoto Shobu, Vice Chairman, Japan Dragon Boat Association

(3) Competition Rules

- Dragon Boat race competition in a 250 m straight course
- Each race is held in 5 (five) lanes and the tournament method is adopted for those age categories by type with many competing teams, including the Heats, Repechage, Semi-Finals and Final. In those age categories by type with few competing teams, a point system is adopted and the ranking is determined by the number of points awarded.
- Races are held in the intervals of 8 to 10 minutes.
- The number of races scheduled to be held per day is 51 for 10 paddlers' race and 39 for 20 paddlers' race.
- All crew members of each team shall gather at the competition headquarters set up in the venue 30 minutes before the start of the race for identification (checking of member ID) and verification of the suitability of life jackets and paddles.
- Double entry for age categories by type is allowed depending on the number of participating teams and participants. Since the race schedule will not be altered, however, this should be done at team's own risk.
- A manager, a drummer, and a steerer shall be allowed to serve as a paddler in the race.

## 7 Events

(General Category)

Gender	Event	Grade	Age Categories
Women	Small (10)	—	30+, 40+, 50+
	Standard (20)	—	30+, 40+, 50+
Mixed	Small (10)	—	30+, 40+, 50+
	Standard (20)	—	30+, 40+, 50+
Open	Small (10)	—	30+, 40+, 50+
	Standard (20)	—	30+, 40+, 50+

\*Regarding the gender categories;

- For open teams there are no gender limitations (including steerer and

drummer).

- A mixed team must contain a minimum of 8 and a maximum of 12 female paddlers (The drummer and steerer do not fall into the team's gender category). For small boat race, this shall be 4 to 6 females.
- A Women's team must be composed of 100% female participants, including paddlers and drummers. (The steerer can be of any gender.)

\* Regarding the age categories;

- The age of the youngest paddler in the team will determine team's age category (the ages of the drummer and steerer are not taken into consideration).
- The age category entered must be either the actual age category or a younger age category.

## 8 Eligibility

Nothing in particular. Provided, however, that persons with heart disease wearing a pacemaker are not allowed to participate for to avoid sudden physical burden.

Those who apply individually will be randomly assigned to a team by the executive committee.

## 9 Age Requirement

Minimum age is 30 (born on or before 31 December 1991)

In line with the sport-specific rules, an athlete must compete in their designated age group, with your age determined as at 31 December 2021. For example, if you are 39 during Games time but have turned 40 by 31 December 2021, you would compete in the 40+ age category.

\* Paddlers , drummers , steerers , all players must be at least 30 years old.

## 10 Consideration for persons with impairments who participate in the general category competition

In this event, consideration shall be taken for participants with impairments in the general category competition. The content of consideration according to the types of impairments is the following:

Persons with physical impairments

- **Making aware of the need for consideration by providing bibs, etc.**

Distribute bibs, etc. to make aware of the type of impairments.

Persons with vision impairments

- **Making aware of the need for consideration by providing bibs, etc.**

Distribute bibs, etc. to make aware of the type of impairments.

Persons with hearing impairments

- **Start signal with other means besides voice**

Use a big flag to let them understand the start of the race.

- **Making aware of the need for consideration by providing bibs, etc.**  
Distribute bibs, etc. to make aware of the type of impairments.

#### Persons with intellectual impairments

- **Consideration to provide easy-to-understand explanations**  
Provide easy-to-understand explanations of the competition rules.
- **Making aware of the need for consideration by providing bibs, etc.**  
Distribute bibs, etc. to make aware of the type of impairments.

#### Persons with mental impairments

- **Making aware of the need for consideration by providing bibs, etc.**  
Distribute bibs, etc. to make aware of the type of impairments.

## 11 Medal Ceremony

The Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded to the first, second and third-ranked teams by types and by age category. The medal ceremony will be held at any time after the termination of the competition. The final race medal ceremony will be held concurrently with the closing ceremony.

## 12 Registration Fee

(1) Competition participation fee (including tax and handling fee)

\* Check [World Masters Games 2021 Kansai Participation Terms and Conditions](#) for detail.

- ① Competition participants (Basic fee: allowed to participate in 5 disciplines)
  - a) Overseas participants: 24,000 yen/person  
(Including a transportation pass for mobility within the Kansai area.)
  - b) Domestic participants: 15,000 yen/person  
(Does not include a transportation pass. Could be bought optionally at an additional cost.)
- ② Persons related to the competition (Basic fee)
  - a) Overseas participants: 14,000 yen/person  
(Including a transportation pass for mobility within the Kansai area.)
  - b) Domestic participants: 5,000 yen/person  
(Does not include a transportation pass. Could be bought optionally at an additional cost.)

\*When a helper (a person who supports an athlete with impairment participating in a competition) participates in the competition for providing such support, he/she is required neither to apply for participation in the competition nor to pay a registration participation fee (provided, however, that the helper must apply for participation as a competition official when

he/she requires a kit for participating in the competition, a transportation pass and others).

(2) Additional charges (extra fee)

None

(3) Competition equipment rental

Life jackets (floating vests) need to be prepared by the athletes in principle, however, the organizer rents out some life jackets at the race site with the following conditions.

Rental charge.

Non-inflatable life jacket (within chest size 105cm, weight 90kgs): free of charge.

Manually inflatable life jacket (bigger than above body size): 2,000 yen per day.

How to apply.

. Contact the organizer at the race site on the race day (pay the fee if you need a manually inflatable life jacket)

. Receive and return the life jacket for each race. Please follow the instruction of the organizer.

### 13 How to Apply for Participation

Application is made through the entry system on the official website (Entry System) dedicated to the application for the entry to the competition via PC or smartphone.

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### 14 Notes on Participation

(1) About clothing

- For safety reasons, it is recommended that participants wear clothing that completely exposes the “elbows” and “knees.”
- When wearing underwear reaching to the wrist or ankle for protection from cold, it must allow free movement in water and must be fit to the body.
- Water shoes fit to the feet with a flat bottom are allowed as footwear.
- Any shoes that prevent swimming when falling into water are not allowed to wear.
- Competitors must wear a life jacket (floating vest) without fail.

(2) About competition equipment

- ① Competition equipment provided by the competition organiser
- A Dragon Boat
  - B Drum
  - C Steering oar

\*Wooden drumsticks and paddles provided by the competition organiser are freely available.

\*If any loaned dragon boat, steering oar, paddle or the like is deliberately damaged, the team or athlete who has caused the damage shall indemnify the damage caused.

② Competition equipment prepared by athletes

A Drumsticks (must be officially approved)

B Paddles (stamped or sealed with SPEC202A)

C Life jackets (floating vest) (buoyancy of 7kg or more)

\*Automatically or manually inflatable lift jackets of the retractable type may be used, but not of the waist belt type.

(3) Insurance

The organiser will subscribe to accident insurance for participants, but this insurance is applicable only to “injuries incurred during the competition in the competition venues” of the “competition participants and persons related to the competition”, and does not cover all kinds of risks during the competition. Therefore, all persons taking part in the competition are requested to subscribe to required insurance at own risk and costs.

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(4) Doping Control

① The doping control in accordance with the [World Anti-Doping Code](#) and [the rules of the International Masters Games Association](#) shall apply to this competition.

② Anti-doping activities (doping inspections and anti-doping education activities) shall be conducted in accordance with [the rules of the International Masters Games Association](#).

③ Participants are deemed to have agreed to be subject to doping control procedures in accordance with [the rules of the International Masters Games Association](#) upon entry to the competition. Participants are advised to check [the rules of the International Masters Games Association](#) Rules for more details.

④ This competition aims to promote anti-doping activities as an activity to protect clean sports and clean athletes in order to leave various values of sports to the next generation through sports in cooperation with the Japan Anti-Doping Agency.

## 15 Application for Accommodation and Transportation

(1) Accommodation

Refer to the Accommodation Information Page on the [World Masters Games](#)

[2021 Kansai Official Website](#) for information on accommodation.

(2) Transportation

Refer to the Transportation Information Page on the [World Masters Game 2021 Kansai Official Website](#) for transportation information including access to the venue.

## 16 Others

All participants must complete the accreditation process and check-in at the competition venue before participating (competing or getting involved) in a competition.

(1) Games Accreditation

Accreditation services shall be provided at the Opening Village, each Prefectural Masters Village, Center Village, and the special service desks. The participant must bring a valid photo identification and complete accreditation process personally by one day before the competition. (No exception will not be allowed.) Furthermore, even when participating in team competitions or as a team, each participant must complete accreditation process.

Accreditation process can be completed at any of designated service desks; however, operation hours and dates differ depending on the location.

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(2) Dragon Boat Sport Check-in

① Reception date and time

Friday, 28 May 2021, 9:00 – 15:00

② Reception place

Biwako Motor Boat Racing Course 1st floor of the competition headquarters  
(1-1 Chagasaki, Otsu, Shiga 520-0023)

③ Remarks

The representative shall make the entry and the crew list and their IDs shall be verified.

(3) Team Managers Meeting

① Date

Friday, 28 May 2021, from 15:00

② Place

Biwako Motor Boat Racing Course 1st floor hall  
(1-1 Chagasaki, Otsu, Shiga 520-0023)

③ Remarks

Managers of all participating teams of 10 paddlers and 20 paddlers shall participate in the meeting.



#### (4) Examination of Paddles

① Date

Friday, 28 May 2021, 9:00 – 17:00

② Place

Biwako Motor Boat Racing Course 1st floor of the competition headquarters  
(1-1 Chagasaki, Otsu, Shiga 520-0023)

③ Remarks

Paddle that requires examination shall be brought in (the examination is charged)

No examination is required of paddles stamped or sealed with SPEC202A.

