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Dear {First} {Last},

Hello and welcome to the 2023 World Police and Fire Games!

This is your official letter of confirmation. Below you will find the information that will help guide you through this year's Games.

### **Sport Specific Information for Dragon Boat**

Please review the [Dragon Boat Abridged Rules](#) for competition format and sport specific details.

### **Contact information**

If you have any questions regarding, Dragon Boat please contact your Sport Coordinator(s): Abby Behm, Jerome Seremak, Fay Stafford at [dragonboat@wpfg2023.com](mailto:dragonboat@wpfg2023.com)

Or

WPFG Federation Director: Alan Richards at [alanwpfg@bigpond.net.au](mailto:alanwpfg@bigpond.net.au)

### **Competition Schedule**

Your detailed Sport Schedule will be available on the WPFG website through [The Dragon Boat Page](#) after July 7th.

### **Sport Equipment**

- All equipment including life jackets, boats, and paddles will be provided by the venue.
  - Athletes may bring their own paddles and life jackets if desired.
- Athletes are responsible for bringing their own athletic gear and water bottle. Water refill dispensers will be available for athletes' use.
- Drummers and Steerpersons are available for teams that do not have any.

### **Additional Sport Information**

The 10's and 20's boats provided are Plastex Brand.

### **Venue**

Manitoba Canoe & Kayak Centre  
80 Churchill Dr, Winnipeg, MB

Food and beverage kiosks will be available at all competition venues.



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## Transportation

As part of your Accreditation, you will be granted free access to [Winnipeg Transit](#) services, which is perfect for getting around to different attractions throughout the city as well as the majority of our competition venues. For more details on routes and schedules please visit the [Winnipeg Transit Trip Planner](#)

## Parking

Limited parking is available at Churchill High School, directly across the street from Manitoba Canoe and Kayak. Please utilize Winnipeg Transit for your arrival and departure. Once you arrive, follow the wayfinding signage to the venue.

## Registration in Winnipeg

All competitors are REQUIRED to register at the RBC Convention Centre Accreditation Centre and receive their credentials no later than the day before their competition begins.

You must bring your department / agency Identification when checking in at the accreditation centre.

## Location

RBC CONVENTION CENTRE WINNIPEG  
375 York Ave Winnipeg MB R3C 3J3

## Hours of Operation

Monday July 24 - 12:00 pm- 7:00 pm *Local Athletes, come early and beat the rush!*

Tuesday July 25- Thursday July 27: 9:00 am–7:00 pm

Friday July 28: 7:00am–4:00pm

***\*\*Early Closure for Opening Ceremonies. You must have accreditation to gain entry to the Marshalling area for the Athletes Parade\*\****

Saturday July 29- Sunday July 30: 7:00am–7:00pm

Monday July 31- Tuesday August 1: 7:00am–5:00pm

Wednesday August 2- Saturday August 5: 9:00am–5:00pm

Sunday August 6: 9:00am–1:00pm

\*Note: Hours are subject to change based on needs



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## Additional Games Information

### Security of Personal Items

Please note that security for your personal items is your responsibility while competing. WPF2023 is not responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged items.

### Opening Ceremonies

Schedule: Friday July 28, 2023		
Activity	Time	Location
Athlete Marshalling Starts	4:30pm	RBC Convention Centre 3rd Floor HALL A/B 375 York Ave Winnipeg, MB R3C 3J3
Parade Start	6:30pm	
Doors Open	6:30pm	Canada Life Centre 300 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3C 5S4
Pre-show begins		
Main Show Begins	7:00pm	
End of Show	9:30pm	

The Opening Ceremony begins with the Athletes Parade, which will start at the **RBC Convention Centre, 3rd Floor HALL A/B** and march to the **Canada Life Centre** (approx. 600 meters). Food & Beverage will be available for purchase in the marshalling area. You must have your Accreditation to access Hall A/B and take part in the parade.

#### *\*Things to Note:*

- Only Athlete credentials will be permitted into the marshalling area or into the Athlete Parade at any point.
- The Accreditation Centre closes at 4:00pm on July 28.
- Please do not bring bags to the Opening Ceremony or Athlete Marshalling Area.

The opening ceremony is the official kick off to the 2023 World Police and Fire Games and will welcome athletes to Winnipeg with an exciting event in Canada Life Centre. Please



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ensure you RSVP attendance through your registration profile on [Fuse Sport](#). Please note, your plus ones will not be seated with parade and ceremony participants.

### **Athletes Village**

**Location:** CN Stage & Field

1 Forks Market Road

Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 4X1

**Dates:** Saturday July 29- Sunday August 6

**Hours of Operation:** 5:00 pm to Midnight (12:00am)

\*Last call will be at 11:00pm

The Athletes Village is themed Canada's backyard and is the perfect place to unwind after a day of competition. We will be featuring local breweries nightly at our craft beer corner and our bars will be serving beer and premixed drinks. There will also be food available for purchase in the form of food trucks with a variety of options. Each night is a different theme where you can dance the night away to live music, play games, and socialize with athletes from across the world. A detailed schedule will be released on the [WPF2023 website](#) closer to the games.

On August 2, 2023, Athletes Village will host Wrist Wrestling. Competition commences at 5:00pm.

### **Closing Ceremonies**

**Location:** CN Stage & Field

Athletes Village

**Date:** Sunday August 6th

**Time:** Gates opens at 4:00 pm, Closing Ceremony starts at 5:00 pm.

Come and celebrate the closing of our Games as we pass over the WPF2023 Flag to Birmingham, Alabama for the 2025 World Police & Fire Games. There will be food & beverage available for purchase and live music to follow as we celebrate the success of our athletes, give thanks to all our volunteers and say goodbye for now as we look forward to Birmingham 2025.

### **Merchandise**

The 2023 Games Host Society is proud to offer a full merchandise program to commemorate the 2023 World Police & Fire Games. For more information and to view the WPF2023 merchandise program please [click here](#)! All prices listed are in Canadian funds and electronic payment will be accepted at our on-site booths. Merchandise will be available at the RBC Convention Centre and Athletes Village.



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It is the responsibility of the competitor to regularly check the website for all updated information: [www.wpfg2023.com](http://www.wpfg2023.com)