



OLYMPIC HOPES REGATTA

18-20 SEPTEMBER 2020 - SZEGED, HUNGARY

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INVITATION

Dear National Federations,

The Organising Committee of the Olympic Hopes Regatta is honoured to welcome your team and your athletes to Szeged, Maty-ér between 18-20 September 2020.

The Olympic Regatta Course is looking forward to host the future Olympic athletes from all around the world, with its renewed facilities and special purposed-built areas, offering a wide range of comfort and accessibility for the athletes, teams and spectators as well.

On the following pages, we walk you through all the necessary information that may guide you and your team on the way to Szeged. Apart from the general introduction of the city and the regatta course, the most vital and useful bits of information on the competition, participation, boat rental, visa issuance, board, lodging and training camp opportunities can also be found here.

The Hungarian Canoe Federation is hoping to see you again at the Olympic Hopes Regatta between 18-20 September 2020 in Szeged.

If you are looking for more information, do not hesitate to visit the official website of the competition: canoeszeged2020.com.

SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER
ORGANISING COMMITTEE



COMPETITION PROGRAMME

15th September (Tuesday)	access period begins
15th–16th September (Tuesday-Wednesday)	free training possibility
17th September (Thursday)	official training/starting machine test Team Leaders' meeting
18th September (Friday)	1000m competition day and C2 women 500m
19th September (Saturday)	500m competition day
20th September (Sunday)	200m competition day and K4 mix, C4 mix

IN 2020 THE COMPOSITION OF THE AGE GROUPS IS THE FOLLOWING:

Born in 2003 - under 17 (U17)

Born in 2004 - under 16 (U16)

Born in 2005 - under 15 (U15)

EVENTS

MEN'S KAYAK:

U17: K1 200m, 500m, 1000m; K2 500m, 1000m;

U16: K1 200m, 500m, 1000m;

U15: K1 200m, 500m, 1000m;

U15-U16: K2 500m, 1000m;

U15-U17: K4 500m,

WOMEN'S KAYAK:

U17: K1 200m, 500m, 1000m; K2 500m, 1000m;

U16: K1 200m, 500m, 1000m;

U15: K1 200m, 500m, 1000m;

U15-U16: K2 500m, 1000m;

U15-U17: K4 500m;

MIX KAYAK:

U15-U17: K4 500m

MEN'S CANOE:

U17: C1 500m, 1000m; C2 500m, 1000m;

U16: C1 500m, 1000m;

U15: C1 500m, 1000m;

U15-U16: C2 500m, 1000m;

U15-U17: C4 500m;

WOMEN'S CANOE:

U17: C1 200m, 500m; C2 200m, 500m;

U16: C1 200m, 500m;

U15: C1 200m, 500m;

U15-U16: C2 200m, 500m;

MIX CANOE:

U15-U17: C4 500m

CUP OF NATIONS

EACH COUNTRY WILL RECEIVE POINTS ACCORDING TO THE RESULTS IN THE FINAL A RACES AS FOLLOWS:

PLACE:	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th
POINTS:	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2



ENTRIES AND BOOKING

Each country can enter two boats per event.

The Organising Committee requires you to use the online entry system (SDP) of the ICF to submit nominal entries. It can be reached at: <https://icf.msl.es/icf/main.jsp>

Preliminary entry, hotel reservation, boat rental, numerical entry, rooming list and final travel information have to be submitted via the AMS (Accreditation Management System). You are kindly requested to fill out the online forms by the deadlines indicated below. You can reach them on the AMS system. <http://ams.digicorp.hu>

Prior to logging in for the first time please send an email to:

accommodation@canoeszeged2020.com, even if you had earlier used our system for other races - as this will activate your access to this specific event.

Please note that the Organising Committee accepts hotel reservation, travel info and boat rental only via the AMS.

Please keep the following deadlines upon submitting forms and entries:

Preliminary Entry: until 10th July 2020

Numerical Entry: until 10th August, 2020

Boat Rental: until 10th August, 2020

Hotel Reservation: until 10th August, 2020

Final Travel Info: until 20th August, 2020

Nominal Entries: until 8th September, 2020

BOARD AND LODGING

Participation fee is to be paid for the length of your team's stay during the access period on daily basis, which starts on 15th September (Tuesday) and ends on 20th September (Sunday) when the services below are provided.

According to the Convention the Organizing Committee offers a discount price for the Visegrad Group. Higher category is also available at full rate if required.

Considering different categories Accommodation Package fees are the followings:

CATEGORY 1 (**** hotels)

single room 140 EUR/person/day

double room 120 EUR/person/day

CATEGORY 2 (** and **** hotels)

single room 110€ / person / day

double room 100 € / person/ day

CATEGORY 3 (* and ** hotels, motels, guest houses and inns)

single room 95 € / person / day

double room 85 € / person / day

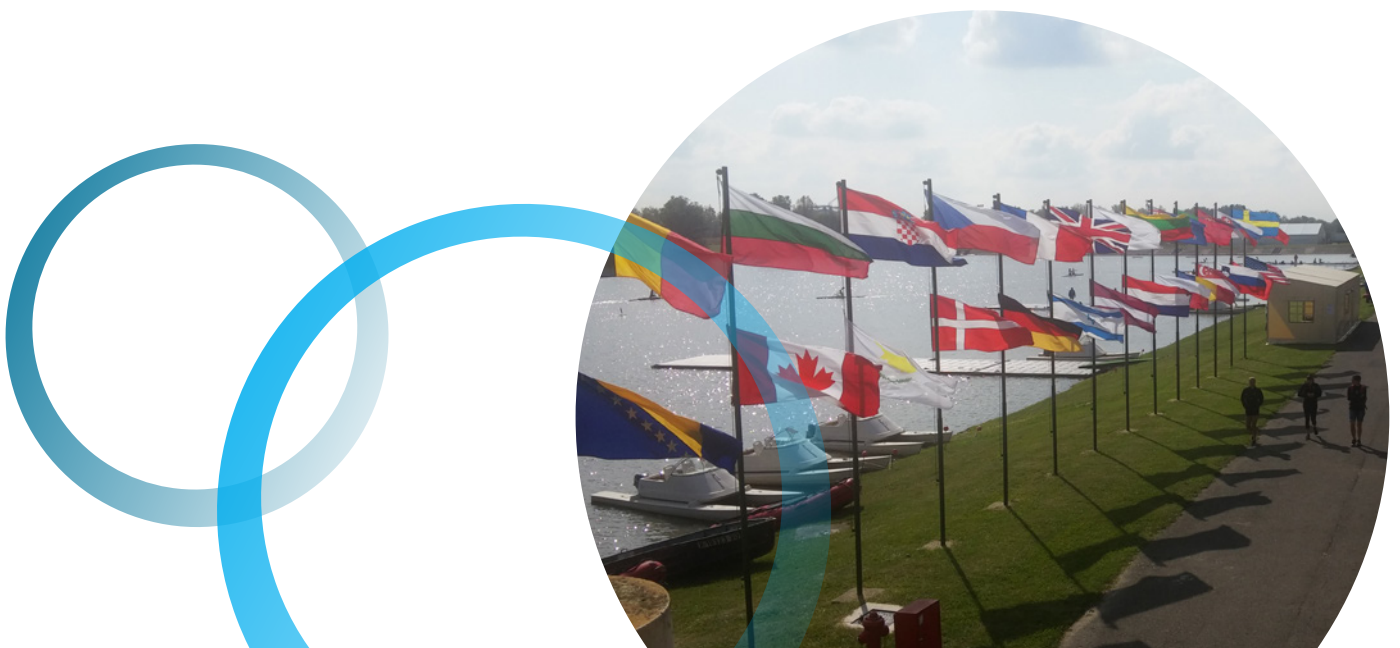
CATEGORY 4 (* and ** hotels, motels, guest houses and inns)

single room 80 € / person / day

2 or 3-bedded room 70€ / person / day

VISEGRAD GROUP (Tisza Corner Hotel, Tisza Sport Youth Hostel)

3 or 4-bedded room 50 € / person / day



THE ACCOMMODATION PACKAGE FEE INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:

- Accommodation
- Participation fee
- Three meals per day
- Shuttle bus service on demand to and from the regatta course and the official hotels during the access period, according to timetable
- Right of common and operational costs of the venue
- Medical care at the course
- Security service at the course
- Fully comprehensive insurance for the event
- Access pass and parking for one trailer and one accredited vehicle (up to 3,5t) /team
- Mineral water during the access period

THE ACCOMMODATION PACKAGE FEE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Airport (Railway Station) transfer to and from Szeged

Please keep in mind that because of limited availability of hotel rooms in various categories, reservations will be accepted on a 'first-come, first-served' basis, which means your team will automatically be redirected to a different category than initially requested, unless there is enough space left in the required category.

The Organising Committee does not take responsibility for any extra services of the hotel, such as minibar, telephone, parking, etc, these costs are to be paid directly to the hotel. Check-in is from 15:00. The rooms are to be vacated until 11:00 in the morning on the day of departure. (Upon request the hotels will provide storage rooms for an additional fee.)

PARTICIPATION FEE

In case your accommodation is booked independently and NOT through the Organising Committee, you are required to pay a Participation Fee of 30 EUR/person/per day from the day of your arrival. If accommodation has been booked via the Organising Committee, participation fee is already included in the price of the Accommodation Package.

AIRPORT TRANSFER

For teams larger than 3 persons arriving together at the same time we offer the transfer between Budapest and Szeged for 25 EUR/person/one-way. Individuals and teams of 3 or less requiring transfer should contact the Organising Committee for a custom price. In case the exact final travel info of your entire team will not be sent to the Organising Committee by the deadline (20th August 2020) or the departure time will not be known by the time of accreditation, the transfer fee will increase to 35 EUR/person/one-way.

LOCAL SHUTTLE

The city-centre of Szeged is about 7 kilometres away from the course. Transportation from the downtown to the course and back is to be solved by competitors without any transportation means, but buses running on a timetable will be organized from the city-centre of Szeged and official hotels to the course and back if there is sufficient demand for it.

PARKING

Teams booking their accommodation via the Organising Committee will receive one parking pass for one trailer and one accredited vehicle (up to 3,5t). The sticker is valid for a maximum 9-seated minibus size vehicle to the parking straight behind the Athletes Area. Further parking stickers are available for 50 EUR/car/event.



INFORMATION

TERMS OF PAYMENT

The accommodation and participation fees are to be paid as below:

Hotel reservation deadline is 10th August, 2020. Once the Organising Committee confirms your booking, 60% of the total amount will be invoiced with 8 days payment terms. Kindly note that the booking shall be provisional until the payment of the invoice has arrived to our bank account, hence the Organising Committee reserves the right to alter or cancel the reservation until that time. With the arrival of the payment it shall be a confirmed reservation. An updated proforma invoice will be sent by the Organising Committee verifying the arrival of your transfer to our bank account.

Participation fee (for those who booked their accommodation on their own and not through the Organising Committee) has to be paid upon the proforma invoice sent by the Organising Committee. Keep the deadline of submitting the preliminary entry: 10th July, 2020.

100% of the accommodation and/or participation fees have to be paid until 20th August, 2020.

BANK: Granit Bank Zrt.

BANK ADDRESS: 8. Lechner Ödön fasor, Budapest, Hungary, 1095

ACCOUNT NO: 12100011-10208890-00000000 BIC CODE: GNBAHUHB

IBAN: HU65 12100011 10208890 00000000

BENEFICIARY: Magyar Kajak-Kenu Szövetség 2. Latorca utca, Budapest, Hungary 1138

The currency of the account is Euro, so please make sure that your payment is in Euros. Please do not forget about the transaction fees. It is your responsibility to pay these extras when transferring money to our bank account.

Accepted methods of payment on-site in the Accreditation Centre

Besides cash (only Euro is accepted) we accept Visa and MasterCard credit/debit cards.

CANCELLATION TERMS

Should you cancel your booking, a charge will be made equivalent to any loss suffered by the Organising Committee, as itemized below. The amount of any cancellation fee will be calculated as a percent of the participation fee according to the following period of notice given:

No forfeit, if cancelled until the 5th August, 2020

50% forfeit, if cancelled in the period of 5th August – 10th August, 2020

100% forfeit, if cancelled after the 10th August, 2020

BOAT TRANSPORTATION

Please contact Your Chamber of Commerce or Customs Office to obtain the accurate information regarding the documents necessary for boat transportation.

BOAT RENTAL

The Organizing Committee has a limited number of boats available for rental purposes (Nelo and Plastex brand). You may require rental boats by filling in the [corresponding form](#) and sending it back by 10th August as indicated. Upon receiving the boat rental form 50% of the rental fee will be added to the proforma invoice as it must be paid in advance as a deposit along with the participation fee. The remaining 50% must be paid upon arrival at the Accreditation Centre. Boat rental requests received after the deadline will be considered, but the Organising Committee cannot guarantee the requested make or model and the rental prices double after 10th August

	before 10 th August	after 10 th August
K-1 / C-1	40 € / day	80 € / day
K-2 / C-2	50 € / day	100 € / day
K-4 / C-4	70 € / day	140 € / day

Please note that we charge a deposit for each boat rented, (K1/C1 200 EUR; K2/C2 400 EUR; K4/C4 600 EUR), which can be equalized by bank transfer or by cash during accreditation process on-spot. Any damage or missing boat parts will be charged and taken off from the deposit.



INSURANCE

All official participants of the Olympic Hopes Regatta are strongly advised to take out a medical insurance policy in their respective countries.

Medical care

The following medical services are available for all official participants of the Olympic Hopes Regatta doctor on duty, hospital and clinic assistance. A medical centre will operate at the regatta course with ambulance and first aid. Please note, that all the costs above the regular first aid, ambulance and physiotherapeutic services are to be covered by your medical insurance policy, the Organising Committee is not responsible to cover your expenses in connection with hospital treatment, dental treatment or any other medical treatment.

VISA

All participants are kindly requested to contact the Hungarian Embassy or consulate in their respective countries (or the closest to you) in time regarding visa requirements. The difficulty of obtaining visa to Hungary varies by regions but you should calculate with a 45-day long issuing period to ensure the safe attainment of the visa.

THE TYPICAL STEPS OF OBTAINING VISA ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Booking accommodation
2. Sending the filled-in Visa Application Form to the Organising Committee, to accommodation@canoeszeged2020.com
3. Contacting the Hungarian Embassy / Consulate serving in your country / territory and do the paperwork they request from you
4. Organising Committee requests the booked hotel for verification of stay, if needed
5. Organising Committee sends the letter of invitation along with the verification of stay to the Hungarian Embassy / Consulate and the National Federation
6. Visa issuance

Please note that the Organising Committee will not send you an invitation letter without knowing your teams' arrival/departure dates, where you are staying, how many people there are in your team and who they are! The Ministry of Foreign Affairs asks the same information from us, so we cannot stand up for you without you standing up for yourself by providing this information.

LOCATION

OLYMPIC CENTRE, MATY-ÉR

The canoe and rowing course was built between 1979 and 1981. The Olympic Centre is primarily used by canoeing, rowing, triathlon, fishing and leisure time sports. The complete area of the facility extends on almost 76ha. In addition to the national and international competitions, the facility offers services for training camps as well. The National Canoe and Rowing Olympic Centre is one of Europe's outstanding water-sport bases, also a significant tourist base in Hungary, thanks to its features and to the lively cultural life offered by the City of Szeged.

MAIN DETAILS OF THE COURSE:

The 2400 m long, 122 m wide regatta course is located two kilometres south of Szeged. Being an artificial course, hydro-dynamism is not an issue here as it is also quite well sheltered from strong winds. It is equipped with Albano system and has nine lanes along with a separate warm-up lane. There will be an electric timing system with photo finish and video recording. Automatic start system will be used for the start. The facility fully meets the ICF requirements.

HOW TO GET THERE?

Szeged is 167 kms away south of Hungary's capital city, Budapest. Szeged is best accessible on M5 highway. You can get to the race course on the road to Baja (main road No. 55) and from the road to Rösztke/Serbia (E75). Szeged can also be reached by Intercity train service.

ADDRESS: H-6725 Szeged, Alsóvárosi feketeföldek 158.

GPS COORDINATES: 46°13'27" N 20°04'15" E





CITY OF SZEGED

Entitled as the capital of sprint canoeing, Szeged is the seat of Csongrád County and the fourth largest city in Hungary. It is situated near the south-eastern border of Hungary right by the Tisza River. A large part of the town lies on the right bank, while Újszeged (New Szeged), a suburban district of residential homes and parks is on the left bank of the Tisza. Szeged is the cultural and economic centre of South-Eastern Hungary and a thriving university town, which is also famous for its open-air theatre. The city centre is marked by the medieval Tower of St. Demetrius and the stately twin spires of the Votive Church. This cathedral was built in the first decades of the 20th century to commemorate the revival of the city after the devastating flood of the river in 1879. By Hungarian standards, Szeged is a large city, with a population of 177,000. The climate is very favourable of canoeing; the annual mean temperature being about 11 °C (52F), somewhat higher than in the rest of the country. Szeged is sometimes called the City of Sunshine as there is an average of 2,000 hours of sunshine annually.

SIGHTS, MONUMENTS:

Széchenyi Square, Town Hall, Klauzál Square, New Synagogue, Reök Palace, Dugonics Square, Martyrs of Arad Square, the Cathedral of Szeged, Musical Clock, Serbian Church, Black House, Tisza, Stefánia, National Theatre of Szeged, Gróf Palace, Lower-City Church

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT: www.szegedtourism.hu

GENERAL INFORMATION ON HUNGARY

POPULATION: 10.2 million

AREA: 93.036 km²

CAPITAL: Budapest (Territory: 525 km²)

TIME ZONE: GMT +1 hour

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE: Hungarian

STATE FORM: republic

Hungary is a landlocked country in Central Europe surrounded by Slovakia, Ukraine, Romania, Serbia, Croatia, Slovenia and Austria. The Danube River forms part of Hungary's north-western border with Slovakia, and then flows south through Budapest, dividing Hungary into two general regions. A low, rolling plain known as the Great Hungarian Plain, covers most of the region east of the Danube extending east to Romania and south to Serbia. Hungary has a continental climate with cold, cloudy, humid winters and warm to hot summers. Average annual temperature is 9.7 °C (49.5F). Temperature extremes are about 38 °C (100F) in the summer and -29°C (-20F) in the winter. Average temperature in the summer is 27 to 32 °C (81 to 90F). The average yearly rainfall is approximately 600mm (24 in).

