

DEAR FRIENDS, DEAR FUTURE GUESTS,



I can certainly say that Szeged has now become one of the strongholds of the international sport of canoeing. Year after year, we host the world's best and most talented kayakers and canoeists here. The last time we met was at the 2022 ICF Junior and U23 World Championships, which I think will remain memorable for all of us for a long time. In addition to the unique infrastructure of the Maty-ér Regatta Course, our experience is that athletes also enjoy their stay in the city of sunshine.

I am happy to announce that we will be back in 2023, as we will host the first ICF Canoe Sprint and Paracanoe World Cup of the season between 11-14 May in Szeged.

The year ahead will be extremely important for all of us, as the Olympic qualification world championships will be held in Duisburg in the summer. The fight for quotas grows in every Olympic cycle, as strong competitors appear from more and more countries. I think that the World Cup in Szeged will be of great importance for this very reason, since a few months before the most important event of the season everyone can assess how prepared they are, what mistakes still need to be corrected, and which rivals to watch out for the most.

As far as the organization is concerned, my colleagues and I will do everything we can to host a world-class event again as in previous years, and to ensure that the athletes coming here do not lack for anything!

We look forward to seeing you all in Szeged between 11-14 May 2023!

Friendly regards,

Bálint Szakács Managing Director of the Hungarian Canoe Federation Chairman of the Host Organising Committee

ISTEN HOZOTT AND WELCOME!

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 at the ICF Canoe Sprint and Paracanoe World Cup between 11th May - 14th May 2023 in Szeged.

If you are looking for more information, do not hesitate to visit the official website of the competition: www.szeged2023.com

The most relevant information also will be available at website of the ICF:

https://www.canoeicf.com/canoe-sprint-world-cup/szeged-2023

SEE YOU IN MAY HOST ORGANISING COMMITTEE





HOST ORGANISING COMMITTEE

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KURILLA, Viktor Media Officer/Press Chief

PROGRAMME

VENUE: Maty-ér Regatta Course, Szeged, Hungary

DATE: 11th May – 14th May, 2023

PROVISIONAL LIST OF EVENTS

WOMEN

K1	200m, 500m, 1000m, 5000m
K2	500m
K4	500m
C1	200m, 500m, 1000m, 5000m
C2	200m, 500m
VL1, VL2, VL3	200m
KL1, KL2, KL3	200m

MEN

K1	200m, 500m, 1000m, 5000m
K2	500m
K4	500m
C1	200m, 500m, 1000m, 5000m
C2	500m, 1000m
VL1, VL2, VL3	200m
KL1, KL2, KL3	200m

MIX

K2	500m	
C2	500m	

COMPETITION PROGRAMME

7th May (Sunday)

7th May – 9th May (Sunday-Tuesday)

8th May (Monday)

10th May (Wednesday)

Access period starts

· Race Course opens for training

• Paracanoe classification

Accreditation opens

Team Leader's meeting

ITO's meeting

 Official training times with starting machine test

Opening Ceremony

11th May - 14th May (Thursday-Sunday)

14th May (Sunday)

Competition days

• Evening - Access period ends

COURSE

The 2,400-metre long, 122-metre wide regatta course is located two kilometres south of Szeged. Being an artificial course, current is not an issue here and it is quite well sheltered from strong winds as well. It is equipped with new Albano system and has nine lanes along with a separate warm-up line. There will be electric time keeping with photo finish camera and video recording. Automatic starting system will be used for the start. The facility fully meets the ICF requirements.

ANTI-DOPING

For the ICF World Cup each athlete, coach and support personnel must pass the relevant anti-doping online course on the Anti-Doping Education Learning platform (ADEL) corresponding to their role. More information on the website: https://www.canoeicf.com/anti-doping-education

ENTRIES IN THE ICF SDP SYSTEM



HOTEL BOOKING AND TEAM REGISTRATION

Kindly note that hotel reservations and team registrations without hotel reservation have to be submitted via the HMS (Hospitality Management System) at https://hms.digicorp.hu/login The system will open on 15th December, 2022.

Please, be informed that registering your team in the online system (arrival & departure dates, no. of persons) is a must even if you are planning to book your accommodation independently from the Hots Organising Committee.

Prior to logging in for the first time, please, send an email to Ms. Orsolya KOVÁCS at booking@szeged2023.com even if you have used the system earlier, since we need to add the new event(s) to your profile.

PLEASE, NOTE THAT THE SPRINT WORLD CUP AND THE PARACANOE WORLD CUP ARE TWO DIFFERENT EVENTS IN THE HMS, SO PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU LET US KNOW IN CASE YOU NEED ACCESS TO BOTH PLATFORMS (this means that you need to submit your reservation, rooming list, airport transfer reservation, etc. for the sprint and the paracanoe teams separately).

Please, note that email modification requests cannot be accepted and will not be considered: all changes should be indicated exclusively – before and after the deadlines – in the online system.

Please, remember that no booking or modification request can be considered as confirmed until you get a notification on it from the HOC.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARACANOE TEAMS

Please, note that the number of accessible rooms in and around Szeged are lower than in the previous years. We would like to kindly ask you to contact the HOC at booking@szeged2023.com before submitting any reservation in the HMS for your paracanoe team to discuss availability.

Please, also inform us on the no. of female / male wheelchair athletes in your paracanoe team, so we can make an appropriate offer for your team.

DEADLINES FOR SUBMITTING YOUR ENTRIES AND FORMS:

Hotel Reservation (HMS): 1st March, 2023

Numerical Entry (SDP): 27th March, 2023

Team Registration without Hotel Booking (HMS): 7th April, 2023

Airport Transfer Reservation (HMS): 7th April, 2023

Rooming List (HMS): 23rd April, 2023

Nominal Entry (SDP): 1st May, 2022



BOARD AND LODGING

The Accommodation Package fee is to be paid for the length of your team's stay during the access period on a daily basis, which starts 7th May (Sunday) and ends on 14th May (Sunday) when the services below are provided. For bookings outside this period please, see the chapter about training camps.

ACCOMMODATION PACKAGES



CATEGORY 1 (4-STAR HOTELS, REGATTA COURSE HOTEL¹)

single occupancy² 185 EUR/person/day double occupancy³ (twin/double room) 150 EUR/person/day double occupancy – accessible 150 EUR/person/day triple occupancy – accessible 120 EUR/person/day



CATEGORY 2 (3-STAR HOTELS)

single occupancy 150 EUR/person/day double occupancy (twin/double room) 125 EUR/person/day triple occupancy 105 EUR/person/day



CATEGORY 3 (2-STAR AND 3-STAR HOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES)

single occupancy 125 EUR/person/day double occupancy 115 EUR/person/day triple occupancy 105 EUR/person/day



CATEGORY 4 (2-STAR MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES)

single occupancy 105 EUR/person/day double occupancy 100 EUR/person/day triple occupancy 90 EUR/person/day quadraple⁶ occupancy 80 EUR/person/day

¹ at the Regatta Course Hotel only wheelchair athletes can book their accommodation, exclusively in twin or triple rooms, no single occupancy can be reserved. Please, always contact our Hospitality Department before submitting a reservation for your paracanoe team to discuss availability

² one person in the room, the type of bed can be either a single or a French bed (double bed)

³ two persons sharing the same room. Please, choose a twin room in case you need two single beds or a double room in case the 2 persons would share a French bed (double bed)

⁴ only a limited no. of triple rooms is available in category 1, please, contact the HOC before booking

⁵ three persons sharing the same room

⁶ four persons sharing the same room

THE ACCOMMODATION PACKAGE FEE INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:

NON-COMPETITION DAYS:

- Accommodation
- Three meals per day
- Accreditation services
- Info desk
- Boats storage facilities
- Boat measurements and control facilities
- Boats and equipment repair services
- Shuttle bus service 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
- Drinking water during the access period

COMPETITION DAYS:

- All above
- Doping control
- Live streaming of the races
- Timing and results system
- Boats numbers distribution
- · Results and information announcements
- EXPO village
- Athletes Lounge

THE ACCOMMODATION PACKAGE FEE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

Airport (Railway Station) transfer to and from Szeged

In case your accommodation has been booked independently and NOT through the HOC, you are required to pay a Participation Fee of 40 EUR/person/per day from the day of your arrival, which includes all additional services and lunch at the Regatta Course.

For teams larger than 3 persons arriving together at the same time we offer the transfer between Budapest and Szeged for 34 EUR person/one-way. Individuals and teams of 3 or less requiring transfer should contact the HOC for an individual price.

In case the airport transfer reservation form will not be sent to the HOC by the deadline (7th April, 2023) or your exact departure date & time will not be known by the time of accreditation, the transfer fee will increase to 45 EUR/person/one-way.

The HOC cannot be held responsible for the quality and price of individually reserved accommodations.

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 HOC 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 10:00 in the morning on the day of departure. (Upon request the hotels will provide storage rooms for an additional fee, that should be paid directly to the hotel.)

PARKING

Teams 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 behind the Athletes Area. Further parking stickers are available for 50 EUR/car/competition.



INFORMATION

TERMS OF PAYMENT

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

Hotel reservation deadline is 1st March, 2023. Once the HOC 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 HOC 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 HOC 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 HOC) has to be paid upon the proforma invoice sent by the HOC. Please, keep the deadline of submitting the nominal entry 1st May, 2023.

100% of the accommodation and/or participation fees have to be paid until 1st May, 2023.

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 or modify your hotel booking, a charge will be made equivalent to any loss suffered by the HOC, as itemized below. The amount of the cancellation fee will be calculated as a percent of the accommodation package fee according to the following period of notice given:

No forfeit, if cancelled until 1st March, 2023 50% forfeit, if cancelled between 2nd March – 9th March, 2023 100% forfeit, if cancelled after 10th March, 2023

Please, note that in case you submit your room reservation after the reservation deadline (1st March, 2023) and we are able to confirm your request, the relevant cancellation terms will come into effect immediately from the moment of your reservation.



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

INSURANCE

All official participants of the World Cup 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 World Cup: doctor on duty, hospital, and clinic assistance. A medical centre will operate at the regatta course with ambulance and first aid. The costs above the regular first aid, ambulance and physiotherapeutic services are to be covered by the athletes own medical insurance policy. The HOC is not responsible to cover your expenses in connection with hospital treatment, dental treatment or any other medical treatment.

HUNGARY

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:

- Booking accommodation via the HOC or sending the confirmation of your hotel booking to the HOC (if booked individually) - please note, the HOC cannot take responsibility for rejection of visa issuance
- Sending the filled-in visa application form to the HOC (booking@szeged2023.com)
- 3. The HOC issues the Letter of Invitation
- 4. Contacting the Hungarian Embassy / Consulate serving in your country / territory and do the paperwork they request from you
- 5. Visa issuance

Please note that the HOC 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.

TRAINING CAMPS IN HUNGARY

With its nice calm waters and well-known heritage in the paddling sports, Hungary is a popular location for training camps again in 2023. Because of usual high demand, please plan your training camps and contact the Hungarian Canoe Federation at booking@szeged2023.com well in advance, so we can prepare you a custom-tailored package completed with transportation and motorboat.

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.



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).



METEOROLOGICAL HISTORY OF SZEGED IN MAY

2022	TEMPERATURE (°C)			HUMIDITY (%)			WIND (KM/H)			PRECIP. (mm)
MAY	Max.	Avg.	Min.	Max.	Avg.	Min.	Max.	Avg.	Min.	Total
1	2	60.8	48	93	62.5	35	0	5.5	1	0.00
2	70	61.0	48	82	57.2	38	16	6.3	1	0.00
3	70	59.7	52	94	64.7	40	14	6.4	0	0.00
4	73	59.8	46	100	72.4	38	20	5.2	0	0.00
5	75	60.8	0	94	64.0	0	8	5.0	1	0.00
6	72	62.8	54	82	64.0	41	10	6.3	0	0.00
7	72	63.0	52	88	63.1	38	9	5.2	1	0.00
8	73	63.4	50	88	59.1	35	8	4.3	0	0.00
9	77	63.9	48	94	64.6	34	12	4.9	0	0.00
10	75	63.4	55	94	69.4	41	16	5.6	1	0.00
11	77	63.7	50	94	67.6	32	9	6.7	2	0.00
12	82	68.8	54	88	59.2	34	14	8.7	3	0.00
13	86	71.7	59	77	57.8	33	15	6.8	1	0.00
14	79	67.8	57	88	60.9	32	12	6.5	2	0.00
15	81	65.7	50	77	52.4	26	7	3.4	0	0.00
16	81	68.4	54	82	54.3	32	10	5.4	0	0.00
17	81	67.2	59	94	68.7	45	15	7.9	2	0.00
18	66	59.5	48	100	57.0	28	26	15.0	0	0.00
19	73	58.7	39	87	51.8	23	9	4.3	0	0.00
20	81	65.1	46	81	46.5	23	12	7.8	1	0.00
21	84	68.5	55	72	52.4	28	20	9.7	3	0.00
22	77	65.3	50	82	49.0	26	17	8.3	3	0.00
23	72	62.8	52	71	50.1	33	13	8.1	2	0.00
24	70	60.3	52	94	69.9	56	12	7.8	3	0.00
25	84	71.3	59	100	69.8	45	13	8.2	3	0.00
26	75	66.8	59	100	71.3	38	15	7.7	1	0.00
27	81	68.2	54	94	65.6	39	8	5.9	1	0.00
28	66	60.2	55	94	81.8	63	10	5.3	0	0.00
29	63	57.1	52	100	80.6	52	17	8.0	1	0.00
30	66	58.0	46	100	78.6	56	7	3.2	0	0.00
31	73	63.2	54	100	77.6	60	7	3.1	0	0.00

