



Games of the XXXII Olympiad – Tokyo 2020

COVID-19 SPORT SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

Canoe Slalom

This document describes the Sport Specific Regulations (SSR) outlining how a confirmed positive COVID-19 case or a close contact is managed within the canoe slalom competitions on the occasion of the Games of the XXXII Olympiad Tokyo 2020.

The following documents are in force and contain elements related to the SSR:

- IOC Olympic Charter
- ICF Statutes
- ICF Canoe Slalom Competition Rules 2019 ([LINK](#))
- Tokyo 2020 Playbooks (Athletes & NOCs, IFs, Workforce and Olympic Family) ([LINK](#))
- Late Athlete Replacement
- Qualification System
- Operation Manual of the Canoe Slalom venue due to COVID 19 countermeasures

The content of this document has been confirmed by the ICF on 4 June 2021 and will be tested together with IOC, Tokyo 2020 and the ORIS team throughout June and reserve right of amendments in case refinements are needed.

A. SPORTS REQUIREMENTS

Individual events

An NOC can enter a maximum of one (1) boat per Canoe Slalom event at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020.

An athlete that qualifies for the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 may, if selected to do so by their NOC, participate in more than one (1) event in Canoe Slalom at the Olympic Games as long as no other athlete from their NOC is entered to compete in those events at the Olympic Games. However, the athlete must compete in the event that the NOC qualified in.

Expected number of boats:

- Men's Kayak - boats: 24 to 28
- Women's Kayak - boats: 24 to 28
- Men's C1 - boats: 17 to 28
- Women's C1 - boats: 17 to 28

An event needs a minimum of 4 NOCs to go ahead.

Team Officials and Additional Team Officials (Ao, Ac and ATO)

There is no minimum number of Team Officials required on the field of play for the competition to go ahead.



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Technical Delegates, Technical Officials (IF, J and NTOs)

In an emergency a minimum of ten (10) technical officials could be used. In this case, the following officials are required in order for the events to go ahead: at least one (1) judge per section (5 to 6), a chief Judge, an assistant Chief Judge, a starter and a boat controller. All these technical officials should have a valid card as an International Judge Canoe Slalom (IJCSL).

B. COMPETITION PROGRESSION

All sport competition events should start and end as defined by the official Tokyo 2020 competition schedule, to ensure effective running of competition and operations, and that broadcast schedules are unaffected.

An athlete/team, athlete official or technical official will be excluded from the current competition phase as soon as the test is confirmed and immediately be isolated following the Tokyo 2020 testing procedures as outlined in the Playbook.

Competition schedules will not be adjusted to allow extra time for testing.

Each Canoe Slalom event begins with the Heats. Athletes run the course twice, with the better of these two runs determining which athletes qualify for the Semifinal. The Semifinal and the Final of each event will consist of one run only.

Each event is run over two (2) days with Heats taking place on one (1) day and Semifinals and Finals taking place on another day.

Heat phase

In case an athlete can no longer compete, and no replacement can take place, the event will start with one (1) less athlete.

Impact on the start list and start order:

- If possible, the start list will be updated without changing the start time if the withdrawal is announced more than one hour prior to the start of the concerned heats.
- The start order will remain the same.

Impact on the results: the athlete will be marked as DNS and will not have a rank on the heats phase results and the final result list.



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Semifinal phase

Based on the number of entries per event confirmed at the team leaders meeting on 22 July at 17.30, the best ranked athletes after the Heat phase will progress to the Semifinal:

Number of entries	Number of athletes progressing to the semifinal
17 to 18	15
19 to 20	16
21 to 22	18
23 to 24	20
25 to 26	22
27 to 28	24

In case an athlete qualified for the Semifinal can no longer compete, the semifinal phase will start with one (1) athlete less.

Impact on the start list and start order:

- If possible, the start list will be updated without changing the start-time if the withdrawal is announced more than one hour prior to the start of the concerned semifinal.
- The start order will remain the same.

Impact on the results:

- The athlete will be marked as DNS and will not have a rank on the semifinal phase results
- The athlete will be marked as DNS and ranked at the last position of the semifinal on the final result list.

Final phase

For all events, regardless of the number of athletes starting in the semifinal, the best ten (10) athletes will progress to the Final.

If there are less than ten (10) athletes ranked after the semifinal, all will be qualified to the Final.

In case an athlete qualified for the final can no longer compete the final phase will start with one (1) athlete less.

Impact on the start list and start order:

- If possible, the start list will be updated without changing the start-time if the withdrawal is announced more than one hour prior to the start of the concerned semifinal.
- The start order will remain the same.

Impact on the results:

- The athlete will be marked as DNS and will not have a rank on the final phase results
- The athlete will be marked as DNS and ranked at the last position of the final on the final result list.

Force majeure

Final results list and medals can be declared official after any complete run of the event, if it is not possible to complete the competition as scheduled. The process defined in article 5.3 from the ICF Canoe Slalom Competition Rules will apply. In case of COVID-19 outbreak, the ICF may consider an amended competition format and progression to suit the situation.



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C. DECISION MAKING PROCESS

Decision making process for a breach of the rules around COVID 19 countermeasures at the venue

All concerned persons will be expected to comply with these regulations and the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 Playbooks in force at the time of the Olympic Games.

If a person does not respect these regulations, the ICF Secretary General or his delegate will give:

- A first verbal warning, confirmed in writing, to the concerned person and their team leader (if applicable).
- If repeated, then a second and final warning to the concerned person or their team leader (if applicable).
- If repeated, notification will be sent to the IOC for further action.

Decision making process for a confirmed COVID19 positive case or a confirmed close contact case

Based on information received by the ICF medical officer, the ICF Secretary General who will convene the ICF Canoe Slalom Technical Manager and the ICF Chief Official (in person or via videoconference) to assess the consequences on the competition:

- The ICF Secretary General will liaise with the concerned NOC.
- The ICF Chief Official will review the consequences on the competition and the needed actions with the competition management.

The decision-making group should gather within 30 minutes of a person being notified by their Covid-19 Liaison Officer.

D. COMMUNICATION OF A DECISION

The ICF will act according to the Olympic Results and Information System (ORIS) by issuing Sport Communication or Official Communication.

These communications will be coordinated by the ICF Results Manager in coordination with the ICF Chief Official and ICF Canoe Slalom Manager.

In case of a confirmed positive case or close contact

A Sport Communication will be issued indicating the consequence on the competition without mentioning any reason.

It will be up to the concerned NOC after having the agreement of the concerned person to communicate on the reason.

The ICF will only answer media inquiries that pertain directly to the competition and any impact on the competition. All health and team-related questions will be referred to the NOC involved.