



***2023 ICF Canoe Ocean Racing  
World Championships***

**PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

**30 NOV - 3 DEC**

# BULLETIN 6

This bulletin has been distributed in preparation for the SS-1 Race scheduled for Thursday 30 November. The information in this bulletin is only relevant to Thursday 30 November. Further information will be disseminated regarding the SS-2 Event scheduled for Saturday 2 December. There are additional details to those provided the morning of 29 November 2023 contained in this bulletin.

## TRANSPORT TO THE START

- There will be trailers transporting craft to the start line from Wednesday at 9.30am. The organising committee will provide support to paddlers who have their craft in the compound from 9.30am on Wednesday. Should paddlers wish to have their craft transported at a later time or date, transport of craft will be the responsibility of the paddler.
- There will be designated drop off areas at the Start Line on Thursday for those who are dropping their craft to the start line. This will be a drop-off only zone with drivers being asked to move on as quickly as possible.
- There are no changes required for those who have booked a seat on the bus for race days. If you have booked for Saturday, your booking is automatically transferred to Thursday. Should you wish to still book a space on the bus (transport from Scarborough to Fremantle before the race) please do so [HERE](#). Busses will run from 10.30am on Thursday and will drop paddlers at the craft compound at the start location.



# RACE REGISTRATION

- For those who have not registered, this will be accommodated at the Start line for the small minority who are unable to register prior. All paddlers are encouraged to go to event administration in Scarborough where possible to complete registration before the race to ensure a smooth and short registration process for all.
- Check-in will be stationed at the start line with booths organised in alphabetical order by last name. At check-in all competitors will receive their GPS Tracker, Timing Chip and a colored wrist band (to signify what wave they will be in).
- Check-in stations will open from 10.30am the morning of Thursday 30 November in Fremantle. Registrations will be clearly marked and there will be several stations so that check-in is smooth for all competitors.
- All competitors equipment will be checked at check-in. Failure to follow instructions and advice regarding equipment may result in disqualification from the race.
- There will be an athlete briefing held at the start line from 1pm. All critical information included in this race briefing will also be disseminated via social media and whatsapp the morning of the race.
- There will be a luggage container at the start for personal belongings to be safely stored and returned to event administration. Athletes will be able to collect their belongings from event administration from 3pm until 6.30pm after the race.

## RACE

- The course has not changed from the previously advertised course, please refer to the information on Page 5 for more details on the course.
- The course is approximately 21km from Bathers Beach, Fremantle to Scarborough Beach, Scarborough.
- There will be a turning bouy between 1.5 and 2km offshore where paddlers are asked to turn to paddle up the coastline. Size, colour and shape of the bouy will be confirmed in the athlete briefing.
- There will be a bouy off the coastline of Scarborough to indicate where paddlers need to turn to come into shore. Size, colour and shape of the bouy will be confirmed in the athlete briefing.
- Paddlers must keep the bouy on their right-hand shoulder before turning into Scarborough for a short run finish.
- Those watching at home will be able to follow live tracking throughout the race. Information on how to access the live tracking information will be published on social media the morning of the race. This information will also be shared on the whatsapp.



# WAVES

- There will be three waves on Thursday 30 November. The waves listed below were decided in consultation with all National Team Managers and the ICF.
- The waves are:
  - Wave 1: All Female Competitors (Juniors, U23, Senior and all Masters Age Groups), All Para competitors and Masters Men Ages 65-69, 70-74 and 75+.
    - *PLEASE NOTE: Women are asked to line up on the right hand side of the bay and men are asked to line up on the left hand side of the bay.*
  - Wave 2: Junior Men, U23 Men and Senior Men and Masters Men aged 35-39, 40-44 and 45-49.
    - *PLEASE NOTE: Competitors who are paddling non-competitively are asked to allow elite competitors the opportunity to start first on the start line.*
  - Wave 3: Masters Men 55-59 and 60-64
- All competitors will receive a coloured wrist band which will indicate which wave they are in. These colours are:
  - Wave 1: Pink
  - Wave 2: Orange
  - Wave 3: Yellow
- The first wave will commence at 1.30pm AWST time.
- The second wave will follow 20 minutes following the first wave.
- The third wave will follow 5 minutes after the second wave.

# START PROCEDURE

- The start will be a deep-water start.
- All paddlers must have their leg leashes on before the race is started.
- There will be a jet ski directly in front of the start line. A flag will be raised, when the flag is dropped that will signal the start of the race.
- The start line will be clearly marked. The start line will have video cameras to monitor any illegal breaking.
- Should a paddler break the start line illegally, this will result in a 2-minute penalty being added to their final time.
- Start procedures will be reiterated and an opportunity for questions will be provided at the athlete briefing before the race.

# FINISH PROCEDURES

- The finish is a beach finish.
- The finish line will be marked on the beach at Scarborough Beach. Paddlers will not be finished the race until they cross the clearly marked finish line on the beach at Scarborough.
- There will be handlers who will retrieve crafts at the end of the race. Athletes are asked to move their craft to either the craft compound or another location before leaving the beach.
- Paddlers are asked to run with their paddles to the finish line.
- Finish procedures will be reiterated and an opportunity for questions will be provided at the athlete briefing.



# AWARD AND RACE CATEGORIES

- All competitors will be automatically registered to the category associated with their age. Paddlers must paddle in the Wave associated with their age category. ICF Rules dictate that the following categories apply:
  - Junior Men and Junior Women
  - U23 Men and U23 Women
  - Senior Men and Senior Women (24-34)
  - 35-39 Men and 35-39 Women
  - 40-44 Men and 40-44 Women
  - 45-49 Men and 45-49 Women
  - 50-54 Men and 50-54 Women
  - 55-59 Men and 55-59 Women
  - 60-64 Men and 60-64 Women
  - 65-69 Men and 65-69 Women
  - 70-74 Men and 70-74 Women
  - 75+ Men and 75+ Women
  - Open Men and Open Women
  - Open Para Men
- All paddlers in each category will be eligible for medals in their respective age category.
- All eligible paddlers\* will be able to claim the Open World Championships award.
- For a World Champion in any Junior, U23 or Senior category to be named, a legitimate class must be constituted in accordance with ICF rules.

*Those not already registered in the ICF SDP System are not eligible for the overall World Championships award. Those who are eligible for the Open World Championship award will be registered as such on the event start list.*



# COURSE

## SINGLES (SS1)

The course is approximately 21km from Bathers Beach Fremantle. The start is a deep water start and paddlers will paddle out 2km before turning north towards Scarborough Beach.

There will be one buoy off Scarborough Beach with paddlers needing to keep the buoy on their right-hand side before heading into the beach for a short run finish. Paddlers will need to finish on beach at the finish line to complete the race.

[VIEW THE FULL COURSE IN GOOGLE MAPS →](#)



## Individual Course 21km

Start Line Hub

Bathers Beach, Fremantle Western Australia.

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# PROCEEDINGS FOLLOWING THE RACE

- Following the race, medal presentations for all SS-1 Categories and the Mayors Cup will begin at 4pm and are estimated to conclude at 5.15pm.
- From 5.15pm the parade of nations and formal welcome will be held. Estimated finish time is 6pm.
- Both ceremonies will be held in Scarborough Amphitheatre.
- Following the ceremonies, there will be a market held in Scarborough and other activities for all paddlers and family to enjoy. We encourage all paddlers to come down and enjoy the fun in Scarborough.

## WHATSAPP

- All official correspondence will be posted in the Event Whatsapp. All paddlers are urged to join the event whatsapp if they are yet to join.

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/E6k4K8yEIT4DmDAB1mN9F0>





# TIMING, TRACKING AND EQUIPMENT

## TIMING

- All competitors will be given a timing device for the events they are entered. Your timing device will be given to you on the day of the race at the registration station at the start location.
- Your timing device will be registered to your name.
- Your timing device must be worn on your ankle for the duration of the race.
- Timing devices must not be switched between athletes.
- Athletes are asked to return their timing chip at the end of their race at the designated drop off point following the race on the beach at Scarborough.
- For athletes racing in multiple races, you will receive a different timing chip for each of your races.

**Athletes who lose their timing chip or do not return their timing chip will be charged a \$30 AUD fee.**



## TRACKING

- All competitors will be given a GPS tracker for the events they are entered. Your GPS tracker will be given to you on the day of the race at the registration station at the start location.
- Your GPS Tracker will be registered to your name.
- GPS trackers must not be switched between athletes.
- The GPS tracker must be placed in your PFD pocket for the duration of your race.
- Your tracking device will only be activated during the race times.
- Athletes are asked to return their timing chip at the end of their race at the designated drop off point following the race on the beach at Scarborough.
- For athletes racing in multiple races, you will receive a different GPS tracker for each of your races.

**Athletes who lose their GPS Tracker or who do not return their GPS tracker will be charged a \$30 AUD fee.**





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## EQUIPMENT

### Event number sticker

- Athletes are asked to clearly display their event number sticker on the front left-hand side of their boat.
- All athletes will be provided event number stickers when they collect their registration pack from event administration.
- Athletes must have their event sticker in the correct location on their boat to ensure that their craft meets ICF standards in accordance with the ICF Canoe Ocean Racing Rules.

### Country stickers:

- All athletes are asked to clearly display their countries sticker on their boat.
- It is the athlete's responsibility to source country stickers. Country stickers should be clearly displayed on the front cockpit of the craft about should be at least 10cm high.
- Athletes must have their country sticker in the correct location on their boat to ensure that their craft meets ICF standards in accordance with the ICF Canoe Ocean Racing Rules.
- Need to purchase a country sticker for your boat? Here are some local options in Perth:  
Snap Print – Perth CBD  
Snap Print – West Perth  
Jiffy Print – Osbourne Park

### Safety Equipment:

- All athletes must wear a PFD which conforms to the minimum requirements of ISO 12402-5 (level 50). PFD's must be:
  - bright in colour;
  - be able to float a weight of 7.03kgs;
  - carry appropriate labelling, be in sound condition;
  - have pockets and
  - be worn as the manufacturer intended.
- All athletes must wear a leash. The leash needs to be in sound working order and attached to a secure strong point on the craft.
- All athletes must carry a pea less whistle.
- All athletes must carry an orange smoke aerial flare in accordance with local maritime laws.
  - Need to purchase an orange smoke aerial flare? Here are some local options in Perth:  
BCF Osborne Park  
Searano Marine  
BCF Myaree





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