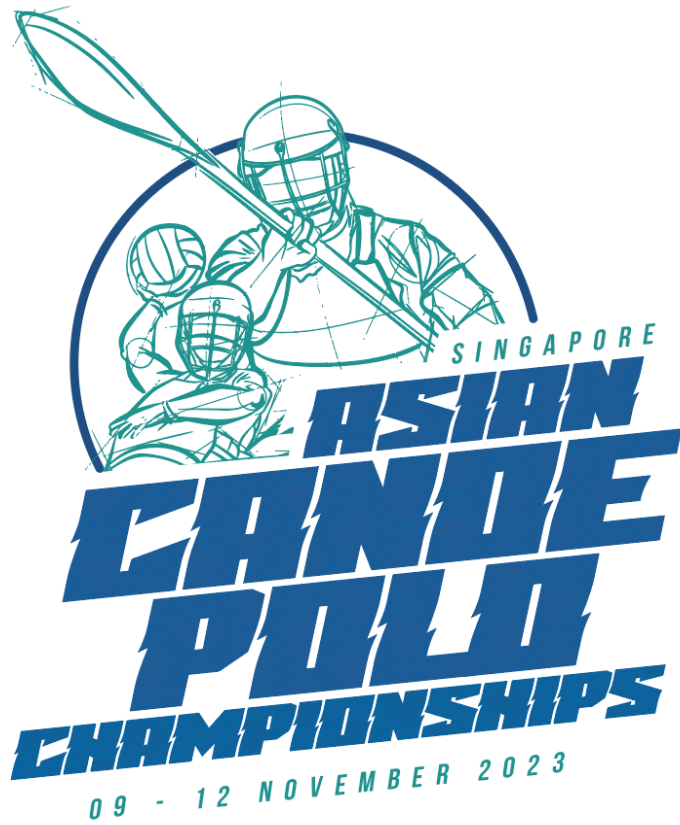


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COMPETITION VENUE

The 18th Asian Canoe Polo Championships will be held at **Marina Bay Waterfront Promenade** in Singapore.



Photo Source: <https://www.visitsingapore.com/see-do-singapore/places-to-see/marina-bay-area/>

Marina Bay is a vibrant and bustling freshwater waterfront area located in the heart of Singapore. The area is famous for its stunning architecture, iconic landmarks, and world-class attractions, making it one of the most popular tourist attractions in the city-state.

One of the most prominent features of Marina Bay is Marina Bay Sands. It has three towering hotel towers connected by a massive rooftop infinity pool, offering stunning panoramic views of the city skyline. The hotel also boasts a world-class casino, a shopping mall, and several high-end restaurants and bars.

An iconic attraction in Marina Bay is the Merlion statue, which stands at 8.6 metres tall. It is a mythical creature that has the head of a lion and the body of a fish. The lion head symbolizes the legend of Sang Nila Utama, a prince who discovered the island of Singapore in the 13th century and named it "Singapura", which means "Lion City" in Malay. The fish body represents Singapore's roots as a fishing village. Visitors can take photos with the Merlion statue and enjoy a panoramic view of Marina Bay.

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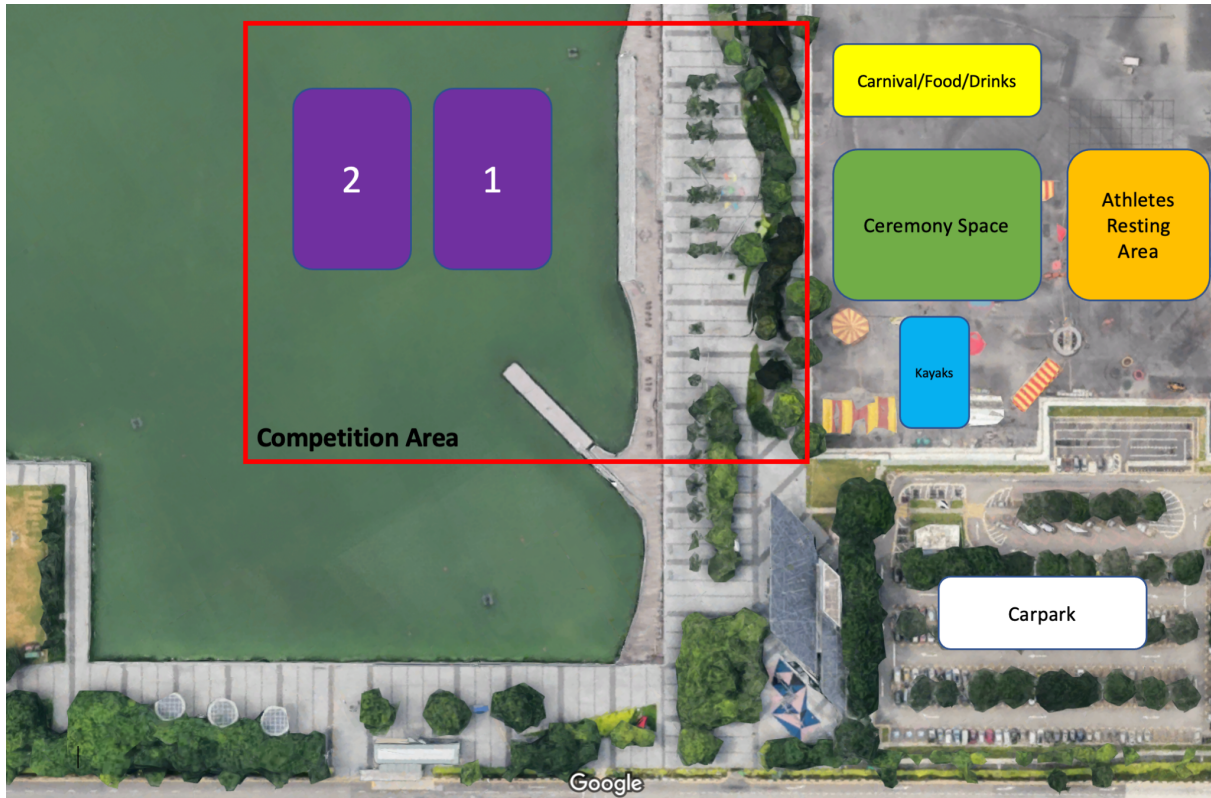
Left (Merlion): <https://www.timeout.com/singapore/things-to-do/merlions-in-singapore>

Right (Gardens by the Bay): <https://mybestplace.com/en/article/gardens-by-the-bay-the-magnificent-gardens-of-singapore>

Gardens by the Bay is another popular attraction in Marina Bay, featuring a unique combination of nature and technology. The park is known for its stunningly designed and beautifully maintained gardens, which are home to a diverse collection of flora and fauna from around the world, and also featuring several towering Supertrees, which are vertical gardens that light up at night, creating a spectacular visual display.

Overall, Marina Bay is a must-visit destination for anyone traveling to Singapore, offering a unique and unforgettable experience that combines natural beauty, modern architecture, and cultural richness.

VENUE LAYOUT @ MARINA BAY



Athletes can warm up on land (away from crowded public-access areas) or in water outside the Game Pitches. There will be goalposts available in the water for warm-up.

Access to Game Pitches, Athlete's Rest Area and Kayaks Storage area will be restricted to participants with Accreditation Passes. The remaining areas will remain accessible to the public.

Note: There will be no WIFI available at the Competition Area.

Location:

Marina Bay Open Carpark

11 Marina Blvd, Marina Bay City Gallery, Singapore 018940

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/2nTNmshkzELJyar5>

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Name	Role
Sean CHAN	Technical Delegate ACC
Raymond LIOW Evan KONG	Competition Organiser Chairpersons
LIM Tong Lee	Chief Official
Evan KONG WU Sheng Hao	Referee Managers
Chad ONG	Chief Scrutineer
ONG Jia Xin Klinsmann TONG	Chief Table Officials
LIM Han Yong LIM Jia Yi	Competition Secretariats
Marissa YEO Denise YUEN	Marketing and Communications
LEE Wan Sie Joanne GOH Denise CHAN Shirlynn CHEONG Jaslyn YAN Shelin SIM SIM Woei Jiun Silvia CHERN	Event Management
NG Hui Xuan TAN Guo Jie Matt CHEW	Logistics

JURY

Name	Role
LAU Chung Ming, Benjamin	Jury Chair, 2nd Vice President ACC
Henry SIM	Jury Member, Treasurer ACC
ZHONG Xing	Jury Member, ACC Chair Freestyle

REFEREES

Referee Managers				
S/N	NF	M/F	Surname	First Name
1	SGP	M	KONG	Evan
2	TPE	M	WU	Sheng Hao
Referees				
S/N	NF	M/F	Surname	First Name
1	TPE	M	LIU	Te Chih
2	TPE	M	CHEN	Ye Kai
3	TPE	M	WANG	Hong Yuan
4	IRI	F	FATEMAH	Molaei
5	IRI	M	ABESHZADEH	Alireza
6	CHN	F	SHEN	Qiong
7	SGP	F	ONG	Chad
8	SGP	F	CHAN	Denise
9	SGP	M	CHAN	Sean
10	SGP	M	LIOW	Raymond
11	SGP	M	LIEW	Wei Zheng
12	HKG	M	YEUNG	Chun Bong Jacky
13	HKG	M	CHAN	Kin Wai
14	GBR	M	WINTER	Elan

As per the Referee Code of Conduct fitness test will be conducted in Singapore

REVISED EVENT SCHEDULE

Date	Event
6 Nov 2023	Arrival of Teams, Accreditation
7 Nov 2023	Arrival of Teams, Accreditation, Official Training, Scrutineering
8 Nov 2023	Official Training, Scrutineering == 9am to 6pm: ICF Referee Course and Theory Exam @ Sports Hub
9 Nov 2023	Official Training, Scrutineering == 10am to 11.30am - Team Leader's Meeting 11.45am to 1.15pm - Referee's Meeting 4pm - Opening Ceremony Rehearsal 5.30pm - Opening Ceremony
10 Nov 2023	Match Day
11 Nov 2023	Match Day
12 Nov 2023	Match Day == 5.30pm Awards and Closing Ceremony
13 Nov 2023	Departure of Teams

Note: All events / activities will be held at Marina Bay unless otherwise stated in the table above.

CONFIRMED ENTRIES & GROUPINGS

A total of 23 teams across 4 categories have registered to participate in the Asian Canoe Polo Championships 2023.

There are two groups for the Men category. Teams are seeded into the two groups based on the results of Asian Cup Canoe Polo 2019.

Men	
Group MA	Group MB
Japan	Iran
Malaysia	Chinese Taipei
Singapore	Hong Kong,China
-	Thailand

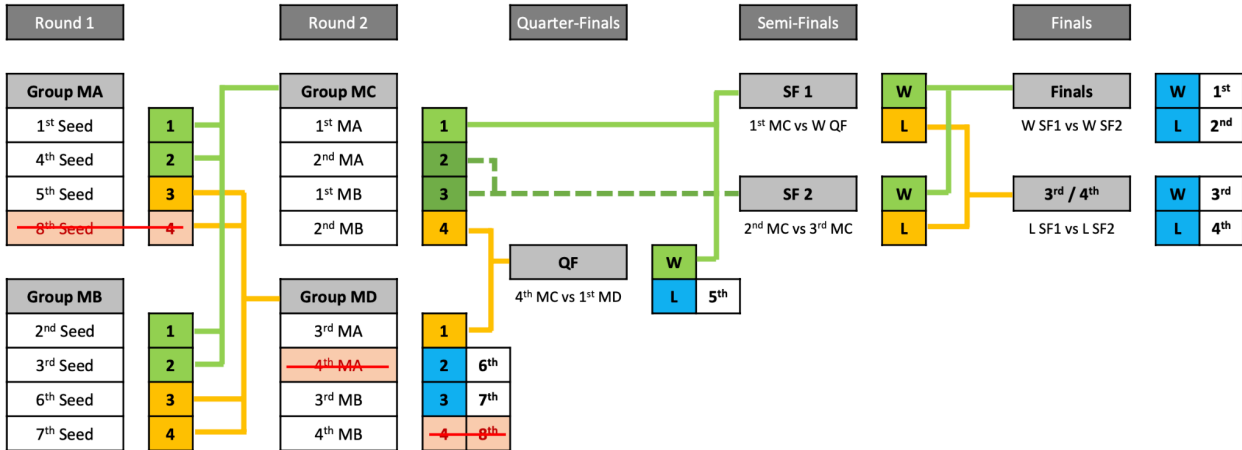
There is only one group for the Women, U21 Men and U21 Women categories.

Women	U21 Men	U21 Women
Group W	Group MU	Group WU
Chinese Taipei	Chinese Taipei	Chinese Taipei
Hong Kong,China	Hong Kong,China	Japan
Iran	Japan	Malaysia
Japan	Malaysia	Singapore
Malaysia	Singapore	Thailand
Singapore	-	-

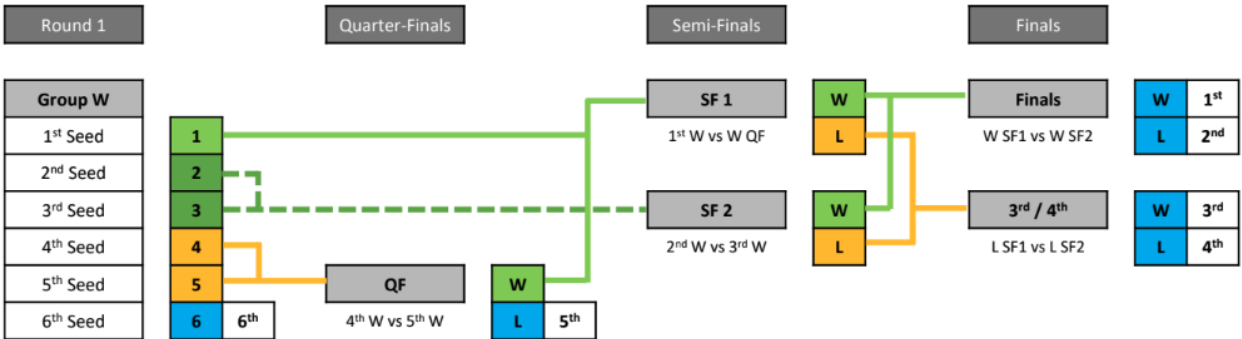
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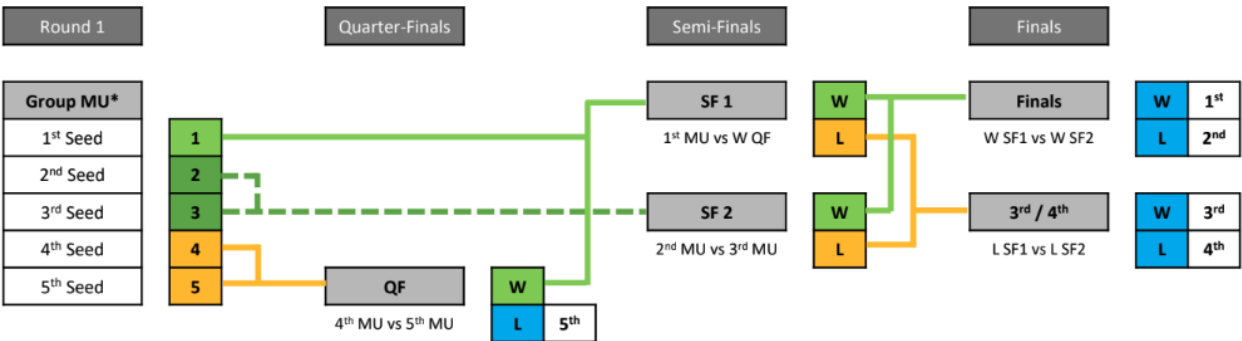
Asian Canoe Polo Championships 2023 – Men’s Category



Asian Canoe Polo Championships 2023 – Women’s Category



Asian Canoe Polo Championships 2023 – Under-21 Categories



* Group MU for Men’s Under-21. Women’s Under-21 will adopt the same format with Group WU in Round 1.

SCHEDULES

ACCREDITATION SCHEDULE

Accreditation will be done at the Competition Venue on 6 to 8 Nov 2023.

Timeslots	6 Nov 2023	7 Nov 2023	8 Nov 2023
0800 - 0830		SGP M & SGP W	THA M
0830 - 0900		SGP U21M & SGP U21W	THA U21W
0900 - 0930		MAS U21M	TPE U21M
0930 - 1000		MAS U21W	TPE W
1000 - 1030	JPN M	MAS M	TPE M
1030 - 1100	JPN W	MAS W	TPE U21W
1100 - 1130	JPN U21M	HKG M	
1130 - 1200	JPN U21W	HKG U21M	
1200 - 1230	IRI M	HKG W	
1230 - 1300	IRI W		

SCRUTINEERING SCHEDULE

Scrutineering of equipment will be done on 7 to 9 Nov 2023. Teams are able to get their equipment scrutineered during the free slots on 7 Nov, or during the official allocated time slots on 8 & 9 Nov.

There will be no penalties if the team fails scrutineering during the free slots. However, if the team fails scrutineering during their official scrutineering slots, penalties may apply (refer to detailed scrutineering guidelines in Appendix 2). If the team fails scrutineering during their official scrutineering slots, they may re-scrutineer again during the Recheck sessions on 9 Nov.

Timeslots	7 Nov 2023	8 Nov 2023		9 Nov 2023	
0900 - 0940		HKG M	HKG U21M	MAS M	JPN U21W
0950 - 1030		HKG W	MAS U21W	MAS W	Recheck
1040 - 1120		SGP U21W	MAS U21M	Recheck	Recheck
1130 - 1210	FREE SLOT	SGP U21M	THA M	Recheck	Recheck
1220 - 1300	FREE SLOT	JPN M	THA U21W	Recheck	Recheck
1310 - 1350	FREE SLOT	TPE U21M	TPE W		
1400 - 1440	FREE SLOT	TPE U21W	TPE M		

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1450 - 1530	FREE SLOT	SGP W	SGP M		
1540 - 1620	FREE SLOT	IRI W	IRI M		
1630 - 1710		JPN U21M	JPN W		

TRAINING SCHEDULE

Each team is allocated two training slots in the schedule below. Free Slots highlighted below are open to all teams, on a first-come, first-served basis. Teams are encouraged to share the court if there is more than one team keen to use the Free Slots.

Timeslots	7 Nov 2023		8 Nov 2023		9 Nov 2023	
	Court 1	Court 2	Court 1	Court 2	Court 1	Court 2
0900 - 0945	FREE SLOT	FREE SLOT	SGP M	JPN M	THA M	IRI W
0945 - 1030	JPN U21W	SGP W	SGP W	JPN U21W	THA U21W	IRI M
1030 - 1115	JPN U21M	SGP M	IRI W	MAS M	TPE U21M	JPN W
1115 - 1200	JPN W	MAS U21M	IRI M	MAS W	TPE W	JPN U21M
1200 - 1245	JPN M	MAS U21W	HKG M	HKG U21M	FREE SLOT	TPE U21W
1245 - 1330	MAS M	SGP U21M	MAS U21M	HKG W	FREE SLOT	TPE M
1330 - 1415	MAS W	SGP U21W	MAS U21W	THA M	FREE SLOT	FREE SLOT
1415 - 1500	HKG W	HKG M	SGP U21W	THA U21W	FREE SLOT	FREE SLOT
1500 - 1545	HKG U21M	FREE SLOT	SGP U21M	TPE W	FREE SLOT	FREE SLOT
1545 - 1630	FREE SLOT	FREE SLOT	TPE M	TPE U21M	FREE SLOT	FREE SLOT
1630 - 1715	FREE SLOT	FREE SLOT	TPE U21W	FREE SLOT	OPENING CEREMONY	
1715 - 1800	FREE SLOT	FREE SLOT	FREE SLOT	FREE SLOT		
1800 - 1845	FREE SLOT	FREE SLOT	FREE SLOT	FREE SLOT		

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GAME SCHEDULE

10 Nov 2023							
No.	Time	Pitch	Category	Round	Game No.	Team 1	Team 2
1	0900	1	M	1	MB-01	IRI	THA
2		2	M	1	MB-02	TPE	HKG
3	0935	1	M	1	MA-01	JPN	SGP
4		2	W	1	W-01	HKG	IRI
5	1010	1	W	1	W-02	JPN	SGP
6		2	W	1	W-03	TPE	MAS
7	1045	1	M U21	1	MU-01	MAS	SGP
8		2	M U21	1	MU-02	HKG	JPN
9	1120	1	W U21	1	WU-01	SGP	THA
10		2	W U21	1	WU-02	JPN	MAS
11	1155	1	M	1	MB-03	IRI	HKG
12		2	M	1	MB-04	TPE	THA
13	1230	1	M	1	MA-02	JPN	MAS
14		2	W	1	W-04	HKG	JPN
15	1305	1	W	1	W-05	MAS	SGP
16		2	W	1	W-06	IRI	TPE
17	1340	1	M U21	1	MU-03	HKG	MAS
18		2	M U21	1	MU-04	JPN	TPE
19	1415	1	W U21	1	WU-03	JPN	SGP
20		2	W U21	1	WU-04	TPE	THA
21	1450	1	M	1	MB-05	IRI	TPE
22		2	M	1	MB-06	HKG	THA
23	1525	1	M	1	MA-03	MAS	SGP
24		2	W	1	W-07	HKG	TPE
25	1600	1	W	1	W-08	IRI	SGP
26		2	W	1	W-09	MAS	JPN
27	1635	1	M U21	1	MU-05	JPN	SGP
28		2	M U21	1	MU-06	HKG	TPE
29	1710	1	W U21	1	WU-05	JPN	THA
30		2	W U21	1	WU-06	MAS	TPE

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11 Nov 2023							
No.	Time	Pitch	Category	Round	Game No.	Team 1	Team 2
31	0900	1	M	2	MC-01	1st of MA	2nd of MB
32		2	M	2	MC-02	1st of MB	2nd of MA
33	0935	1	M	2	MD-01	3rd of MA	3rd of MB
34		2	W	1	W-10	HKG	MAS
35	1010	1	W	1	W-11	SGP	TPE
36		2	W	1	W-12	IRI	JPN
37	1045	1	M U21	1	MU-07	HKG	SGP
38		2	M U21	1	MU-08	MAS	TPE
39	1120	1	W U21	1	WU-07	SGP	TPE
40		2	W U21	1	WU-08	MAS	THA
41	1155	1	M	2	MC-03	1st of MA	2nd of MA
42		2	M	2	MC-04	1st of MB	2nd of MB
43	1230	1	M	2	MD-02	3rd of MA	4rd of MB
44		2	W	1	W-13	JPN	TPE
45	1305	1	W	1	W-14	HKG	SGP
46		2	W	1	W-15	MAS	IRI
47	1340	1	M U21	1	MU-09	SGP	TPE
48		2	M U21	1	MU-10	JPN	MAS
49	1415	1	W U21	1	WU-09	SGP	MAS
50		2	W U21	1	WU-10	JPN	TPE
51	1450	1	M	2	MC-05	1st of MA	1st MB
52		2	M	2	MC-06	2nd of MB	2nd of MA
53	1525	1	M	2	MD-03	3rd of MB	4rd of MB
54	1600	1	M U21	Quarter Finals	MUQF-01	4th of MU	5th of MU
55	1640	1	W U21	Quarter Finals	WUQF-01	4th of WU	5th of WU
56	1720	1	M	Quarter Finals	MQF-01	4th of MC	1st of MD
57	1800	1	W	Quarter Finals	WQF-01	4th of W	5th of W

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12 Nov 2023							
No.	Time	Pitch	Category	Round	Game No.	Team 1	Team 2
58	0900	1	W U21	Semi-finals	WUSF-01	1st of WU	Winner WUQF-01
59		2	W U21	Semi-finals	WUSF-02	2nd of WU	3rd of WU
60	0940	1	M U21	Semi-finals	MUSF-01	1st of MU	Winner MUQF-01
61		2	M U21	Semi-finals	MUSF-02	2nd of MU	3rd of MU
62	1020	1	W	Semi-finals	WSF-01	1st of W	Winner WQF-01
63		2	W	Semi-finals	WSF-02	2nd of W	3rd of W
64	1100	1	M	Semi-finals	MSF-01	1st of MC	Winner MQF-01
65		2	M	Semi-finals	MSF-02	2nd of MC	3rd of MC
66	1140	1	W U21	3rd/4th	WU3P-01	Loser WUSF-01	Loser WUSF-02
67	1220	1	M U21	3rd/4th	MU3P-01	Loser MUSF-01	Loser MUSF-02
68	1300	1	W	3rd/4th	W3P-01	Loser WSF-01	Loser WSF-02
69	1340	1	M	3rd/4th	M3P-01	Loser MSF-01	Loser MSF-02
70	1420	1	W U21	Finals	WUF-01	Winner WUSF-01	Winner WUSF-02
71	1500	1	M U21	Finals	MUF-01	Winner MUSF-01	Winner MUSF-02
72	1540	1	W	Finals	WF-01	Winner WSF-01	Winner WSF-02
73	1620	1	M	Finals	MF-01	Winner MSF-01	Winner MSF-02
NA	1730	Medal Presentation & Closing Ceremony					

Note:

If there are any delays in game schedules (due to bad weather etc), the games may be rescheduled to another time slot / pitch to ensure that the games can be completed during the competition days.

SCRUTINEERING GUIDELINES

ACC CANOE POLO SCRUTINEERING GUIDE FOR ACC CHAMPIONSHIPS

ACC Scrutineering criteria will be based on ICF guidance as reference for all major ICF Canoe Polo events. As such, scrutineering of equipment will be a 3-step process.

STEP 1. COSMETIC CHECKS

- At the commencement of scrutineering, each team will present their equipment for checking. The whole team will have a visual check to ensure a high-quality uniform appearance of helmets, PFDs and kayaks.
 - **Each failed item MAY be subject to a SGD70 fine (as determined by the event organizers). This fine must be paid before rechecking will occur before progressing to Step 2.**
- For multiple cosmetic check failures, the whole team will lose their scrutineering time slot and will return for rechecking later. Rechecking will take place after all other teams have had their initial checks. If the re-scrutineering runs into the training time slots, training time slots will not be rescheduled.

STEP 2. SAFETY CHECKS

- All kayaks, paddles and helmets will be subjected to safety checks for sharp edges. Any failures will need to be rectified.
- PFDs will be subjected to padding thickness checks. PFDs will also be checked for number dimensions.
- Each player will be required to wear his or her helmet (with facemask). They will be checked for compliance with the article 16.9 and for helmet number size.
- The bumpers of EVERY kayak will be checked for condition - they must be correctly attached in new or near-new condition and of the correct dimensions. Any failures will be required to be replaced.
- All paddles will be checked for edge thickness, corner radius (30mm) and sharp edges. Any failures will need to be rectified.
- Any issues identified on any piece of equipment will be clearly noted on the team check sheet and initialed by the scrutineer. These issues must be rectified in order to move to the next step.

STEP 3. TECHNICAL CHECKS

- Any kayak with an ICF label may be selected for a random check with full gauges for the technical specifications. Any kayak with an ICF label failing the technical specifications will be banned from use and the manufacturer will be asked to explain (Note: severe penalties apply).

Note: Due to wear and tear, bumpers are a safety issue and not a technical issue.

For more details, please refer to Appendix 2 - Detailed Scrutineering Guidelines.

OTHER THINGS TO NOTE

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION CHANNEL

The Asian Canoe Polo Championships 2023 Official Telegram Channel will be the Official Communication Channel for the event. All participants and supporters are encouraged to join the channel to get the latest event updates. Separate channels / group chats for Team Leaders for each team have been shared via email. If there are any queries, please raise them in the Telegram Group Chats.

Scan the QR code on the right or click on the link (https://t.me/ACPC2023_Official) on your mobile devices to join the Official Telegram Channel!



LIVE STREAMING & LIVE RESULTS

- There will be live streaming available for games in Pitch 1 games from 10-12 November.
- Links to the live stream and live results will be shared via the Official Telegram Channel during the event.

ACCOMMODATION

- Check-In at Changi CSC starts at 3.00PM, and guests are required to Check-Out by 10.30AM.
 - A refundable security deposit is required upon check-in (either by Cash or by Credit Card - Visa / Mastercard only). Do note that Changi CSC only accepts Cash in SGD. There are money exchange counters available at Changi Airport if you need to convert other currencies to SGD.
- WIFI is available at each chalet in Changi CSC.
- No meals will be provided as part of the Accommodation booking.

FOOD & DRINKS

- Bananas provided by the Organizing Committee will be available at the Athlete's Rest Area from 8-12 November.
- Chilled Gatorade sponsored by Etika Pte Ltd (Official Distributor for Gatorade in Singapore) will be provided at the Athlete's Rest Area from 9-12 November.
- Lunch will be delivered to the Athlete's Rest Area for teams that have requested for Lunch from 10-12 November.
- For other meals, the Organizing Committee will be sharing some recommended food locations near the Accommodation and Competition Venue with the Team Leaders via the Telegram Channels.

TRANSPORT

- Daily shuttles between the Competition Venue (Marina Bay) and the Accommodation Venue (Changi CSC) will be provided for teams who have requested for transport.
 - Team Leaders can book the seats in advance or it would be on a first-come, first-served basis if the team did not make any seat bookings. More details will be provided to the teams during Accreditation.
 - There is also free Shuttle Services provided by Changi CSC to travel within the compound and to the nearest MRT station (Pasir Ris MRT Station): <https://www.cscchangi.sg/images/shuttle-service.pdf>
- Details on transport for arrival and departure days will be shared with the Team Leaders via the Telegram Group Chats.
- For other transport options, please refer to this link: <https://www.visitsingapore.com/travel-guide-tips/getting-around/>

OPENING, CLOSING AND MEDAL CEREMONIES

- Athletes should be in their official team attire or competition attire during the Opening, Closing and Medal Ceremonies.
- Covered footwear must be worn during the Ceremonies (barefoot, flip-flops and sandals are not allowed).
- Hats, headgears (except Hijab) and sunglasses are not allowed throughout the Ceremonies.

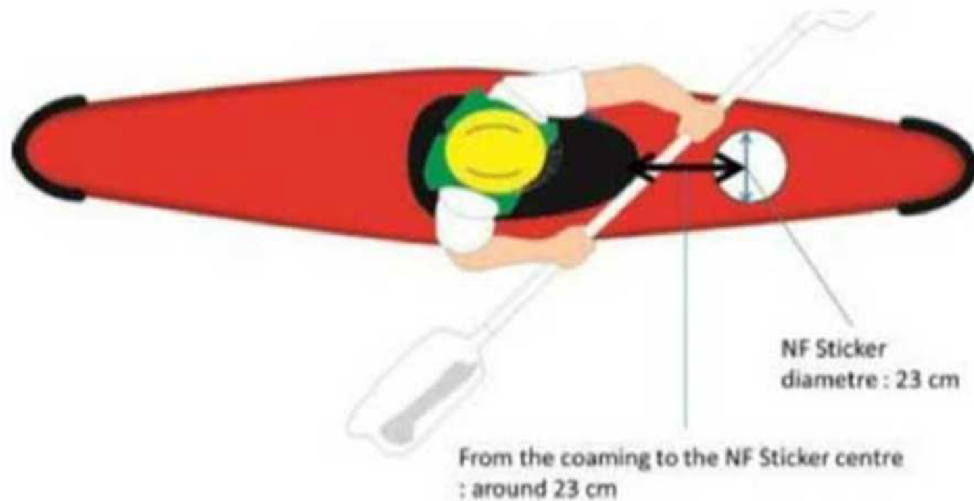
APPENDIX 2 - DETAILED SCRUTINEERING GUIDELINES

STEP 1. COSMETIC CHECKS

This step will ensure all items of equipment are uniform in colour and decals for each team.

Kayaks

- Kayak checks will ensure that any vinyl covering is of high quality, with limited wrinkles and creases, and will last the duration of the event. If vinyl covering is used, it must be uniform in colour, shade, and texture for the whole team.
- All kayaks must be of the same shade of colour, uniformed placement of logos, decal and kayak number above the join line.
 - Clear finish must be uniform in terms of weave.
 - Clear finish with Carbon weave is NOT considered to be the same as solid black.
- The number of the kayak can be placed inside the kayak and must be visible during scrutineering. The number of the kayak and the player tagged to it must be reported to the scrutineering team during the scrutineering check.
- An area (refer to image below) should be also reserved for the NF sticker.
- **NOTE: SGD70 fine would apply per kayak for cosmetic failures**



Example of Cosmetic Pass for Kayaks:



Examples of cosmetic failures for Kayaks:

- A. Creases of vinyl tape
 - o Vinyl must be smooth and to match the whole team
- B. Vinyl or tape coming off
 - o Vinyl or tape must ensure a good professional look that lasts the whole event
- C. Different Logos and decals above the join line
- D. Kayaks not in uniform colour and shade



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Helmets

- Helmets must be of a uniform solid base colour.
 - The practice of covering a helmet with strips sections of vinyl or tape is no longer acceptable.
- Helmet numbers must be the minimum size of 75mm high and be a clearly contrasting colour and font size to stand out from a distance.
- Helmet numbers must be cut from one piece of vinyl.
 - Strips of tape or vinyl to create numbers is no longer acceptable.
- All stickers and logos must be identical in size, colour, and location.
 - Previous event scrutineering stickers must be removed.
- **NOTE: SGD70 fine would apply per helmet for cosmetic failures**

Example of Cosmetic Pass for Helmets:

All helmets have the same colour shade and texture. Logos are uniformly placed.



Examples of cosmetic failures for Helmets:

- A. Covering of screws or parts of helmet with tapes or vinyl
- B. Rusty or protruding parts
- C. Different colour and shades
- D. Different logos and decals placement



Body Protection / PFDs

- Body protection must be uniform in colour and appearance.
- Minimum number size:
 - Front: 100mm
 - Back: 200mm
- **NOTE: SGD70 fine would apply per PFD for cosmetic failures**

Example of Cosmetic Pass for PFDs:



Front Number - $\geq 100\text{mm}$



Back Number - $\geq 200\text{mm}$

Example of Cosmetic Failure for PFDs:

- A. Size of Number does not meet requirement

STEP 2. SAFETY CHECKS

This step will check all equipment for points of safety.

Kayaks

- Will be tested for sharp edges, rough surfaces and padding attachment.
- **Kayak padding must be in new or near-new condition** and in one homogenous piece firmly attached to the kayak with no loose edges or ends as per the specifications. No tape, wrapping, extra foam or other substances may be used to increase the padding profile or to ensure correct attachment.
- Any padding failing Step 2 must be replaced with a new padding of the appropriate type to suit the kayak design to pass scrutineering.
- It is recommended that teams or individuals carry spare sets of padding for each design (Minor repairs can be completed during the event with tape or wrapping).

Examples of Safety Failures for Kayaks:

- A. Loose edges and missing parts of bumper
- B. Full tape wrap
- C. Loosely secured bumper
- D. Bumper did not meet minimum thickness requirement



Paddles

- Must have no sharp edges or loose tape.
 - Edging materials such as Kevlar tape must be correctly attached with no loose edges.
 - Electrical tape or equivalent are no longer acceptable to make paddles thicker or to cover sharp edges as it is too easily removed or comes off.
 - If the paddle edge is damaged, a more permanent solution such as Kevlar edging is required.
 - Epoxy repairs are still allowed but affected areas must be sanded to have smooth finish to touch.
- Edge thickness will be tested using the appropriate gauge.
 - When using the gauge, the paddle edge must not be able to enter the slot and touch the bottom to be considered as a pass. If a paddle is able to enter the slot and touch the bottom, it will be considered as a failure.

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- Players may not apply any greasy substances to their equipment that change the frictional coefficient of the original surface.
 - Wax will only be allowed on the paddle shaft, at the areas that would be covered by the athlete's hand when paddling normally.

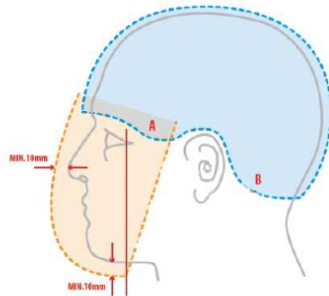
Examples of Safety Failures for Paddles:

- A. Substance/ Wax on blades
- B. Tapes covering sharp edges
- C. Sharp edges and edging materials not attached



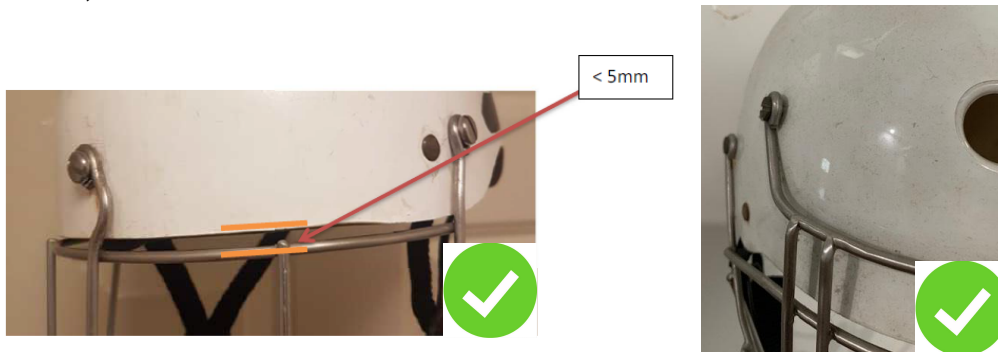
Helmets

- Each athlete must wear appropriate equipment, including a safety helmet with a strap attached to the chin underneath and a face mask.
- The helmet must be properly adjusted to provide maximum protection (from the base of the chin to the base of the skull - see recommended coverage below).
 - The faceguard needs to be fitted so that a paddle cannot enter the gap between the face and faceguard when the head is tilted back.
 - Note the chin coverage in the image below.



Recommended coverage

- The grille must have a minimum distance of 10 mm from the athlete's nose.
- A gap of less than 5mm between the top of the faceguard and the helmet will be allowed. The 5mm can be measured using the paddle gauge.
- Helmet bolts must not stick out too far or be dangerous (rusty, bolt sticking out of nut etc).



Examples of Safety Failures for Helmets:

- A. Ill fitting facemask that does not cover the chin
- B. Back of helmet does not cover occipital bone



Body protection / PFDs

- The body protection in the form of a Personal Flotation Device (PFD) must meet or exceed the current ISO 12402-5:2020 and carry the appropriate label.
- The body protection must be at least 20mm thick.
- NOTE: This is a **NEW** specification to improve player safety (PFDs that previously passed scrutineering may have not met this new increased specification).



STEP 3. TECHNICAL CHECKS

This step will check the technical aspects of all equipment, in particular the kayaks.
Any kayak that fails any technical specifications will fail scrutineering, and will not be able to be used in the event.