

INVITATION

2022 Canadian National Biathlon Championships

March 11-17, 2022

Otway Nordic Centre
8141 Otway Road
Prince George, BC



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On behalf of Biathlon British Columbia and Biathlon Canada, the Biathlon Organizing Committee at the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club welcomes Canada's biathletes and support teams to the 2022 Canadian Biathlon Championships.

Building on the club's experience hosting the 2015 Canada Winter Games and the 2019 World Para Nordic Skiing Championships, we are excited to host returning and new biathletes to our venue in Prince George, British Columbia. The city of 80,000 is situated at the confluence of the Nechako and Fraser Rivers, a geographic and cultural centre in the heart of the traditional territory of the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation. The Otway Nordic Centre, operated by the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club, lies on the south slope of the Nechako River about 5km upstream of the confluence. With its north-facing aspect, athletes can anticipate the March weather to have cool morning temperatures and possibly warming above 0°C in the daytime.

The Organizing Committee is working hard to provide an unforgettable experience for the athletes and hopes all the National Championship guests will feel welcome at Otway. We wish the best of luck to the athletes and look forward to meeting all of you, old acquaintances and new aspiring athletes alike, in March 2022.

John Neumann
Competition Chief

1. General Information

Competition venue location and description

The Otway Nordic Centre, home of the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club, in Prince George, BC will be host to the 2022 Canadian National Biathlon Championships. The Nordic Centre is located approximately 13 km from downtown Prince George. Venue layout, course maps and stadium diagrams will be available on the event website. Link to be added to Biathlon Canada website when available.

Shooting range and target system

The range has 30 lanes with manual Kurvinen targets, covered canopy and lights. Biathlon-in-a-Box will be used for processing results with Summit timers used to collect range results, penalty loops, and course recording.

Course and stadium

Caledonia Nordic Ski Club operates over 50 kilometers of groomed trails with 10 kilometers of lit trails. The snow will consist of a combination of natural and man-made snow. The biathlon course includes a 4 km, 3.3 km, 3 km, 2.5 km, 2 km, 1.5 km, and 1 km trails, with a 1.4 km warm-up loop. Course maps and stadium diagrams can be accessed via the event website.

Venue and weather data

Altitude – Biathlon Stadium	600m above MSL
Average daily temperature – March	-0.8C
Relative humidity (06:00)	52%

Available facilities at the venue

- Biathlon technical building: timing, jury room, announcer
- Main lodge rental shop: competition office (to be confirmed)
- Wax tents (3 m x 6 m, heated, ventilated)
- Heated tent for participant shelter
- Toilets, indoor and portable
- Free parking

Wax Tents

Wax tents will be assigned to teams on the basis of registration by number. Teams may need to share tents. Wax tents are not permitted to be used as team/athlete shelters. Only ski technicians with proper safety gear are permitted in wax tents. An athlete/coach shelter other than wax tents will be provided.

Organizing committee and contact information

Chief of Competition:	John Neumann biathloncompetitions@caledonianordic.com
Logistics Committee Chair:	Heather Tandy biathlonlogistics@caledonianordic.com
Competition Secretary:	Kara Simons biathlonsecretary@caledonianordic.com
Chief of Range:	Ian Hartley
Chief of Timing:	Pierre Beaudry
Chief of Results:	Tim Roots
Chief of Course:	Al Witwicki
Chief of Stadium:	Chelton vanGeloven
Biathlon Canada Technical Delegate:	Karin Kaarsoo
Course Referee:	Bob Woods
Range Referee:	Pascal Morcet
Start/Finish/Material Control Referee:	Érika Charron

Firearms Permits

All athletes must have in their possession, and be able to show upon request, their Possession and Acquisition Licence or Minor's Permit. All competitors must comply with Canadian firearms laws and provincial/territorial firearms regulations.

Ammunition

There are no local sources for quality ammunition.

Rules

The event will be held in accordance with the current International Biathlon Union (IBU) Event and Competition Rules and the Canadian Biathlon Championships Hosting Policy dated January 2020, V3.

Eligibility to Participate

As per the applicable hosting policy.

Refer to the Canadian Hosting Policy January 2020, V3 for a full description of eligibility to participate.

Ability to Compete

Any competitor tacitly guarantees that they are fully able to compete at the national level and must have the approval of a Responsible Coach as defined in the Canadian Hosting Policy. The competitor will be required to identify their Responsible Coach in the competition registration.

Training Prior to the Event

The trails and biathlon range are available for training prior to March 12. Teams are responsible for purchasing their own trail passes and lane rentals for training prior to March 12. To purchase trail passes and lane rentals contact Caledonia Nordic Ski Club <https://caledonianordic.com/>

Official Training

The range will be open on March 12 and 15 for official training. Lanes will be assigned by the Organizing Committee based on registration by number.

2. Competition Information

Entry Fees

Fees of \$200 for all competitions and \$40 for one social event ticket (details available upon registration). These costs do not include Zone4 registration and processing fees.

Registration

Registration by number, specifying number of athletes by category and the number of team staff will be due by Tuesday, January 11, 2022 online via Zone 4 [here](#).

Registration by name will open on January 11 and close 23:59 PM (Pacific Time) February 11, 2022. Fees must be paid at time of registration. Registration is available online at Zone 4 [here](#). No other method of registration will be accepted. Payment must be made using a credit card.

Cancellation Policy

If circumstances force cancellation of the event, registration fees, less the costs already incurred by the host club, will be refunded to registered athletes. Note that a \$20 processing fee will apply before a refund is sent. If an athlete wishes to withdraw before the registration deadline due to medical reasons, he/she should apply, with a doctor's note, to the competition secretary for a refund. No refunds will be provided after the registration deadline of February 11, 2022.

Classes of Competitors and Types of Competition

The following types of competitions will be run for the following classes:

Classes of Competitors	Sprint	Pursuit	Mass Start/ Individual	Single Mixed Relay (Men start first)
Men (22+)	10km – PS 3 x 3.3km Blue	12.5km – PPSS 5 x 2.5km Green	15.0km - PPSS (MS) 5 x 3.0km Yellow	6.0km – P-S+P-S 4 x 1.5km Orange
Women (22+)	7.5km – PS 3 x 2.5km Green	10km – PPSS 5 x 2.0km Red	12.5km - PPSS (MS) 5 x 2.5km Green	7.5km – P-S+P-S 5 x 1.5km Orange
Jr. Men (19-21)	10km – PS 3 x 3.3km Blue	12.5km – PPSS 5 x 2.5km Green	12.5km - PPSS (MS) 5 x 2.5km Green	6.0km – P-S+P-S 4 x 1.5km Orange
Jr. Women (19-21)	7.5km – PS 3 x 2.5km Green	10km – PPSS 5 x 2.0km Red	10.0km - PPSS (MS) 5 x 2.0km Red	7.5km – P-S+P-S 5 x 1.5km Orange
Youth Men (15-18)	7.5km – PS 3 x 2.5km Green	10km – PPSS 5 x 2.0km Red	12.5km - PSPS (IN) 5 x 2.5km Green	6.0km – P-S+P-S 4 x 1.5km Orange
Youth Women (15-18)	6km – PS 3 x 2.0km Red	7.5km – PPSS 5 x 1.5km Orange	10.0km - PSPS (IN) 5 x 2.0km Red	7.5km – P-S+P-S 5 x 1.5km Orange
Sr. Boys (15-16)	6km – PS 3 x 2.0km Red	7.5km – PPSS 5 x 1.5km Orange	7.5km - PSPS (IN) 5 x 1.5km Orange	4.0km- P-S+P-S 4 x 1.0km Black
Sr. Girls (15-16)	6km – PS 3 x 2.0km Red	7.5km – PPSS 5 x 1.5km Orange	7.5km - PSPS (IN) 5 x 1.5km Orange	5.0km- P-S+P-S 5 x 1.0km Black
Masters Men (35+)	6km – PS 3 x 2.0km Red	7.5km – PPSS 5 x 1.5km Orange	10km - PSPS (IN) 5 x 2.0km Red	4.0km- P-S+P-S 4 x 1.0km Black
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Masters Men (50+)	6km – PS 3 x 2.0km Red	7.5km – PPSS 5 x 1.5km Orange	10km - PSPS (IN) 5 x 2.0km Red	4.0km- P-S+P-S 4 x 1.0km Black
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Notes:

- 1) Competition formats/distances may be adjusted after the registration by name deadline.
- 2) Single Mixed Relay – official teams must be comprised of athletes from a single Division. The Division Rep will choose and submit the Divisional team entry(ies).
- 3) Penalty loop distances and penalty for missed shots as per Canadian Hosting Policy.

Event Schedule

Schedule, classes and competition formats may change due to weather conditions and number of competitors. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to change the event schedule as needed. Every effort will be made to alert participants of changes through the event website.

SUMMARY OF EVENT SCHEDULE

Day	Competitions	Zeroing	Training	Team Captains' Meeting & Other Activities
Friday 11.03.21	Team arrivals		12:00 – 16:00 Unofficial training	19:00 Election of Juries (Appeal / Competition, AM & PM). <i>Courtyard by Marriott</i>
Saturday 12.03.21			8:00 - 10:30 Official Training AM Classes 11:00 - 13:30 Official Training PM Classes	19:00 Information and draw Sprint Competition <i>Courtyard by Marriott</i>
Sunday 13.03.21 (DST begins)	10:00 Sprint AM Classes <i>Flower ceremony to follow</i> 13:00 Sprint PM Classes <i>Flower ceremony to follow</i>	09:00-09:45 AM Classes 12:00-12:45 PM Classes		8:40 Opening Ceremonies 18:15 Medal Ceremony <i>Courtyard by Marriott</i> 19:00 Information Pursuit Competition <i>Courtyard by Marriott</i>

<p>Monday 14.03.21</p>	<p>10:00 Pursuit AM Classes <i>Flower ceremony to follow</i></p> <p>13:00 Pursuit PM Classes <i>Flower ceremony to follow</i></p>	<p>09:00-09:45 AM Classes</p> <p>12:00-12:45 PM Classes</p>		<p>18:30 Social Event and Medal Ceremony <i>Courtyard by Marriott</i></p>
<p>Tuesday 15.03.21</p>			<p>09:00 - 11:30 Official Training AM Classes</p> <p>12:00 - 14:30 Official Training PM Classes</p>	<p>19:00 Information and draw for Mass Start (Sr / Jr Classes); Individual Competitions (All others). <i>Courtyard by Marriott</i></p>
<p>Wednesday 16.03.21</p>	<p>10:00 Mass Start Classes <i>Flower ceremony to follow</i></p> <p>13:00 Individual Competition Classes <i>Flower ceremony to follow</i></p>	<p>09:00-09:45 Mass Start</p> <p>12:00-12:45 Individual</p>		<p>18:15 Medal ceremony <i>Courtyard by Marriott</i></p> <p>19:00 Information for Single Mixed Relay and Draw <i>Courtyard by Marriott</i></p>
<p>Thursday 17.03.21</p>	<p>10:00 Single Mixed Relay AM classes <i>Medals ceremony to follow</i></p> <p>13:00 Single Mixed Relay PM classes <i>Medals ceremony to follow</i></p>	<p>09:00-09:45 Single Mixed Relay AM Classes</p> <p>12:00-12:45 Single Mixed Relay PM Classes</p>		

Competition Office

Location of the competition office to be posted on the event website. Hours will be as follow:

11 March 2021: 12:00-16:00
12 March 2021: 8:00-16:00
13 March 2021: 8:00-16:00
14 March 2021: 8:00-16:00
15 March 2021: 10:00-16:00
16 March 2021: 8:00-16:00
17 March 2021: 8:00-17:00

Team Captains' Meetings

The Team Captains' Meetings will be held at 19:00 on March 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16 at the Courtyard by Marriott.

Materials Inspection

Materials inspection will be located in the biathlon stadium and open starting at 8:25 and 11:25 on March 13, 14, 16, and 17. A voluntary Preliminary Equipment Inspection Station will be open on March 12 during the Official Training periods to record the full serial number of rifles and to make available trigger weight testing for those who want it.

Awards

Medals will be awarded in accordance with the Canadian Championships Hosting Policy. Flower ceremonies will be held after each of the morning and afternoon competitions at Otway Nordic Centre. Medal ceremonies to be held at Courtyard Marriott.

Social Event

More information regarding the social event the evening of March 14 will be provided on the event website.

3. Logistics Information

COVID 19 Safety and Procedures

The CNSC Biathlon Organizing Committee strongly encourage all participants (athletes, coaches, volunteers) be doubly vaccinated in accordance with the BC Provincial Health orders and local vaccine mandates. A more detailed safety plan will be shared in January 2022 in the hopes that the information will be as current as possible.

Accreditation

Accreditation will occur at the Courtyard by Marriott on March 11, 2022, from 8am-4pm. If you arrive after this time, contact biathlonlogistics@caledonianordic.ca.

Officiating Opportunity

Individuals interested in officiating at the event can do so here: [Volunteer link](#).

Accommodation

Teams are responsible for arranging their own accommodation during the event. The official hotel for this event will be the Courtyard by Marriott Hotel in Prince George. This will also be the location for all Team Captains' Meetings and the Social Event on March 14th. Please use the booking link below for group rates.

<https://biathloncanada.files.wordpress.com/2021/12/logisitics-information-nationls-2022-en.pdf>

<https://biathloncanada.files.wordpress.com/2021/12/marriot-hotel-accomodation-information-em.pdf>

Meals

The Courtyard by Marriott Hotel will be offering meal options at the hotel for participants. These must be purchased when you register for the event. Meal passes will be given out with accreditation. Please see the event website for details.

Lunches, served at the venue, must be purchased through Zone4 at time of registration.

Local Transportation

Vehicle rentals will be in short supply due to the World Women's Curling Championships taking place March 19-27 in Prince George. It is recommended that you book early.

National Car Rentals:

<https://www.nationalcar.ca/en/car-rental/locations/ca/bc/prince-george-international-airport-c4n2.html>

Enterprise Rent-A-Car

<https://www.enterprise.ca/en/car-rental/locations/canada/bc/prince-george-c450.html?mcid=yext:245709>

For airport shuttle services please see the link below:

<https://www.pgairport.ca/flight-info/transportation/>

Race Day Transportation: Midday bussing will be available on competition days. Buses will depart from the event hotel late morning to have athletes at the venue in time for lunch and afternoon zero. Busses will depart from the venue shortly after lunch to deliver morning competitors back to the hotel. Total cost for this service will be \$32/athlete and can be signed up for during registration.

Schedule:	Pick up from Marriott	Arrival at Venue	Depart from Venue *
Sun., March 13	10:45	11:15	12:30
Mon., March 14	10:45	11:15	12:30
Wed., March 16	10:45	11:15	12:30
Thurs., March 17	10:45	11:15	12:30

*Departure will be adjusted to accommodate flower ceremony if needed.

Venue location:

