



OLYMPIC HOPES REGATTA 2024





DEAR FRIENDS, DEAR FUTURE GUESTS,

We always look at the Olympic Hopes Regatta as the first step for future champions on the road to the Olympics. We can name a number of Olympic medalists and competitors who have experienced the atmosphere of an international canoeing competition for the first time at this event.

Based on the quality of competitions hosted in recent years and the increasing number of participants, I think it is safe to say that the legitimacy of the event is unquestionable, not only for future generations but also for the future of our sport. That is why it is a great pleasure and honour for us that Szeged will host the event again between 19-22nd September 2024.

I am also sure that Maty-ér, which has a history of more than four decades, will be an excellent venue for the Olympic Hopes Regatta in every respect. The legendary battles, the great victories and, of course, the painful defeats that have taken place here could go on and on, not to mention the consistently fantastic fans who often create an atmosphere that is unmatched anywhere else. I can assure everyone that the facilities and infrastructure of Maty-ér will be up to the highest standards for athletes, teams and fans alike, in addition to the requirements of the modern age.

If you are looking for more information, do not hesitate to visit the official website of the competition at www.olympichopes2024.com

On behalf of the Host Organising Committee, I can say that we are excited to see everyone between 19-22nd September in Szeged, the city of sunshine!

Friendly regards,

Bálint Szakács

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

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PROGRAMME

VENUE:

Maty-ér Regatta Course, Szeged, Hungary

DATE:

19-22nd September, 2024

IN 2024 THE COMPOSITION OF THE AGE GROUPS IS THE FOLLOWING:

Born in 2007 - under 17 (U17)

Born in 2008 - under 16 (U16)

Born in 2009 - under 15 (U15)

KAYAK

		MEN	WOMEN	MIX
U17	K1	500m, 1000m	500m, 1000m	-
U17	K2	500m, 1000m	500m, 1000m	-
U16	K1	500m, 1000m	500m, 1000m	-
U15	K1	500m, 1000m	500m, 1000m	-
U15-U16	K2	500m, 1000m	500m, 1000m	-
U15-U17	K4	200m, 500m, 1000m	200m, 500m, 1000m	500m

CANOE

		MEN	WOMEN	MIX
U17	C1	500m, 1000m	200m, 500m, 1000m	-
U17	C2	500m, 1000m	500m	-
U16	C1	500m, 1000m	200m, 500m, 1000m	-
U15	C1	500m, 1000m	200m, 500m, 1000m	-
U15-U16	C2	500m, 1000m	500m	-
U15-U17	C4	200m, 500m, 1000m	200m, 500m, 1000m	500m

CUP OF NATIONS

Each country will receive points according to the results in the Final A races as follows:

PLACE	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th
POINTS	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2

COMPETITION PROGRAMME

16TH SEPTEMBER (MONDAY)

- Access period starts
- Accreditation opens
- Regatta Course opens for training

17 - 18TH SEPTEMBER (TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY)

- Official training times

18TH SEPTEMBER (WEDNESDAY)

- Team Leaders' meeting
- NTO's meeting
- Official training times with starting machine test

19 - 22ND SEPTEMBER (THURSDAY - SUNDAY)

- OLYMPIC HOPES REGATTA competition days

22ND SEPTEMBER (SUNDAY)

- 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 a new Albano system and has nine lanes along with a separate warm-up line. There will be electric time keeping with a photo finish camera and video recording. Automatic starting system will be used for the start. The facility fully meets the ICF requirements.

ENTRIES IN THE ICF SDP SYSTEM

Each national federation can enter max. 2 boats for each event.

The Host Organising Committee requires you to use the online entry system (SDP) of the ICF to submit your numerical and nominal entries. The system can be reached at: <https://icf.mev.atos.net/icf/main.jsp>

(In case you need help with the SDP, please contact the administrator directly at: sdp@canoeicf.sport)



HOTEL BOOKING AND TEAM REGISTRATION

Kindly note that hotel reservations and team registrations (without a hotel reservation) have to be submitted via the HMS (Hospitality Management System) at hms.digicorp.hu/login

THE SYSTEM WILL OPEN ON 15TH APRIL, 2024.

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 Host Organising Committee.

Prior to logging in for the first time, please, send an email to Ms. Orsolya KOVÁCS at booking@szeged2024.com even if you have used the system earlier, since we need to add the new event to your profile.

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.

DEADLINES FOR SUBMITTING YOUR ENTRIES AND FORMS:

Hotel Reservation (HMS): 1st June, 2024

Team Registration without Hotel Booking (HMS): 1st August, 2024

Airport Transfer Reservation (HMS): 1st August, 2024

Rooming List (HMS): 22nd August, 2024

Numerical Entry (SDP): 5th August, 2024

Nominal Entry (SDP): 9th September, 2024

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 16th September (Monday) and ends on 22nd September (Sunday) when the services below are provided. For bookings outside this period please, see the chapter about training camps.

In accordance with the guidelines outlined in the Protocol of the 30th International Olympic Hopes Steering Committee Meeting, the Host Organising Committee is offering a reduced daily rate to the national federations of the Visegrad Group. An upgrade to a higher category is also possible at the standard rate upon request.

ACCOMMODATION PACKAGES

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

- single occupancy¹ 175 EUR/person/day
- double occupancy² (twin/double room) 140 EUR/person/day
- triple occupancy^{3,4} 110 EUR/person/day

CATEGORY 2 (3-STAR HOTELS)

- single occupancy 145 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 130 EUR/person/day
- double occupancy 110 EUR/person/day
- triple occupancy 90 EUR/person/day

CATEGORY 4 (2-STAR MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES)

- single occupancy 100 EUR/person/day
- double occupancy 80 EUR/person/day
- triple occupancy 70 EUR/person/day
- quadruple occupancy⁵ 60 EUR/person/day

VISEGRAD GROUP (TISZA SPORT HOTEL, TISZA ALFA HOTEL)

- in triple or quadruple rooms 50 EUR / person / day

¹ one person in the room, the type of bed can be either a single or a French bed (double bed)

² 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)

³ only a limited no. of triple rooms is available in category 1, please, contact the HOC before booking

⁴ three persons sharing the same room

⁵ 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
- Live streaming of the races
- Timing and results system
- Boats numbers distribution
- Results and information announcements
- EXPO village

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 (1st August, 2024) 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.)

By submitting your reservation request through the HOC's online Hospitality Management System, you agree to the Terms and Conditions outlined in this bulletin.



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 June, 2024. 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 Organising Committee 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 Organising Committee 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 9th September, 2024.

100% of the accommodation and/or participation fees have to be paid until 9th September, 2024.

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,
LATORCA UTCA 2., BUDAPEST 1138, HUNGARY

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 Organising Committee, as itemised 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 June, 2024

50% forfeit, if cancelled between 2nd June - 1st July, 2024

100% forfeit, if cancelled after 2nd July, 2024

Please, note that in case you submit your room reservation after the reservation deadline (1st June, 2024) and we are able to confirm your request, the relevant cancellation terms will come into effect immediately from the moment of your reservation.



BOAT TRANSPORTATION

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 Olympic Hopes Regatta 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 Olympic Hopes Regatta: 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 Organising Committee 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:

1. 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
2. Downloading and sending the filled-in [visa application form](mailto:booking@szeged2024.com) to the HOC (booking@szeged2024.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 for 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 2024. Because of the usual high demand, please plan your training camps and contact the Hungarian Canoe Federation at booking@szeged2024.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 for 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

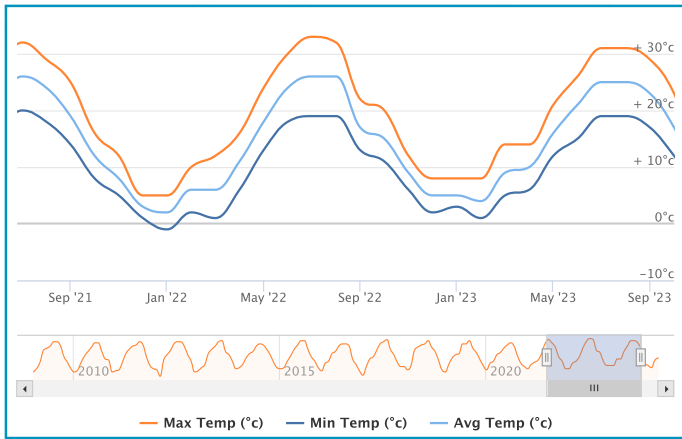
OFFICIAL LANGUAGE: Hungarian

STATE FORM: republic

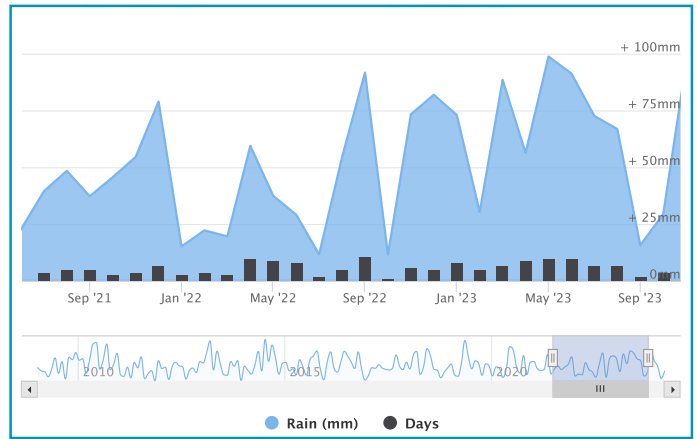
Hungary is a landlocked country in Central Europe surrounded by Slovakia, Ukraine, Romania, Serbia, Croatia, Slovenia and Austria. The Danube River forms part of Hungary's north-western border with Slovakia, and then flows south through Budapest, dividing Hungary into two general regions. A low, rolling 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 BETWEEN 2021-2023 SEPTEMBER

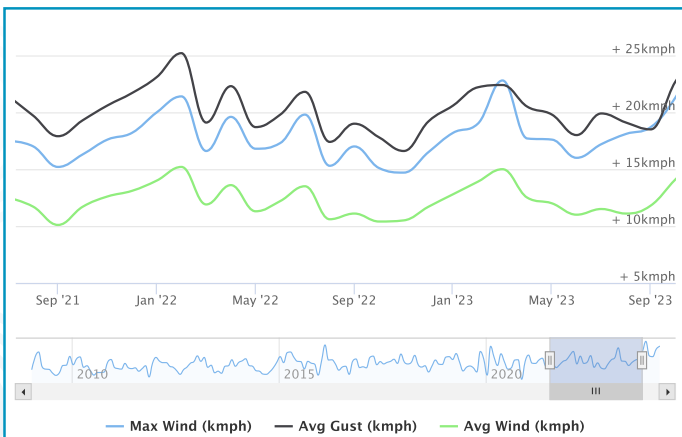
MAX, MIN, AND AVERAGE TEMPERATURE (°C)



AVERAGE RAINFALL AMOUNT (MM) AND RAINY DAYS



AVERAGE AND MAX WIND SPEED AND GUST (KMPH)



AVERAGE PRESSURE (MB)

