2021 Saskatchewan Summer Games Cancellation Q & As 12/21/2020

Q: When will the next Saskatchewan Summer Games take place?

A: Following the cancellation of the 2021 Saskatchewan Summer Games in Lloydminster, the Games will now resume its regular quadrennial cycle, where the event alternates between summer and winter in corresponding Olympic years. The next Saskatchewan Summer Games will take place in the summer of 2024. The 2022 Saskatchewan Winter Games is being hosted in Regina from February 18-24, 2022.

Q: Where will the next Saskatchewan Summer Games take place?

A: The right to host the Saskatchewan Games is typically awarded through a bid process, but due to the circumstances that caused the 2020 Saskatchewan Summer Games to be postponed to 2021 and then cancelled, the Saskatchewan Games Council will provide the city of Lloydminster the first right of refusal to host the 2024 Saskatchewan Summer Games. The host of the 2024 Games will be officially confirmed in fall of 2021.

Q: Can the Games be postponed to 2022 and still take place in Lloydminster?

A: Several factors have made it so that postponing the Games to 2022 is not possible. The schools that were to be used as the Athletes' Village as well as competition venues for a number of sports in Lloydminster will be undergoing major renovations during the summer of 2022. Additionally, several major sport events that were set to take place in 2020 or 2021 have been postponed to summer 2022 due to the pandemic, including the Canada Summer Games, the North American Indigenous Games, the Special Olympics Summer Games, and more. This adjusted calendar limits the capacity of many of the provincial sport organizations to also take part in the Saskatchewan Games.

Q: Will all sports who were originally slated to take part in 2020 be participating in the 2024 Saskatchewan Summer Games?

A: Provincial Sport Organizations are invited to take part in the Saskatchewan Games through an application process. Due to the postponement, all sports that were on the sport calendar for 2020 will be provided first right of refusal to take part in the 2024 Summer Games. A confirmed list of participating sports will be published in mid-2021. A list of sports that was set to be included in the 2021 Saskatchewan Summer Games can be found here.

Q: I would have been eligible to qualify and compete as an athlete at the 2021 Saskatchewan Summer Games. Will I still be able to compete in 2024?

A: The Saskatchewan Summer Games have a specific role within each participating sport's Long-Term Athlete Development Model (LTAD), generally in the LTAD 'Train to Train' stage of development. Increasing the age for 2024 may alter this alignment with the appropriate athletic stage of development and may interfere with other major competitions and multi-sport games. Although no details regarding participant eligibility for the 2024 Saskatchewan Summer Games are confirmed as of December 2020, it is likely that sports will design their technical packages in line with usual Games standards, which in general means that athletes eligible to participate in the Games will be between the ages of 11-17 in

2024 depending on the sport.

Q: I was already selected as a District Team coach/manager or mission staff for the 2021 Saskatchewan Summer Games. Can I still take part in the 2024 Saskatchewan Summer Games?

A: The Provincial Sport Organizations and Districts for Sport, Culture and Recreation will restart their recruitment and application processes for taking part as a coach/manager or mission staff in 2023 or early 2024. Each organization will set its own application process and timelines. Be sure to stay connected to your organization online for updates:

- Provincial Sport Organizations
- Districts for Sport. Culture and Recreation

Q: I've signed up as a volunteer for the 2021 Saskatchewan Summer Games, but I don't know if I will be available in summer 2024 if the Games are again hosted in Lloydminster. Who should I contact?

A: The volunteer recruitment process will restart in mid-to-late 2023, regardless of where the next Saskatchewan Summer Games are held. If you have already registered online to volunteer at the 2021 Saskatchewan Summer Games in Lloydminster, the secure volunteer database containing your contact information will be deleted.