

Frequently Asked Questions

General Questions / Participant and Volunteer Questions

- Q: What are the rescheduled dates for the 2021 Saskatchewan Summer Games?
- A: The Games are now tentatively scheduled to run from July 18–24, 2021 in Lloydminster.
- Q: Will all sports who were originally slated to take part in 2020 be participating in the 2021 Summer Games?
- A: Yes, the Saskatchewan Games Council has received confirmation from every participating Provincial Sport Organization that they will also be participating in 2021. A list of sports participating 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 2020 Saskatchewan Summer Games. Will I still be able to compete in 2021?
- A: The eligibility requirements for 2021 have not yet been confirmed by each sport. Once confirmed, they may differ by sport. Please reach out to your sport's <u>Provincial Sport Organization</u> with any direct questions and keep an eye on your sport's website and social media to receive further information. Updated technical packages for each sport will be uploaded to <u>saskgames.ca</u> once available.
- Q: Why can't every athlete who was age-eligible in 2020 still be able to qualify and compete in 2021?
- A: The Saskatchewan Summer Games have a specific role within each participating sport's <u>Long-Term Athlete Development Model</u> (LTAD), generally in the LTAD 'Train to Train' stage of development. Increasing the age for 2021 may alter this alignment with the appropriate athletic stage of development and may interfere with other major competitions and multi-sport games.
- Q: When will District Playdowns and qualifying events take place for the 2021 Saskatchewan Summer Games?
- A: An updated list of District Playdowns and qualifying events will be made available on saskgames.ca.

 Dates and locations will begin to be announced in the late winter and spring 2021.
- Q: I was already selected as a District Team coach for the 2020 Saskatchewan Summer Games. What if I am no longer available to coach in 2021?
- A: Please reach out to your sport's <u>Provincial Sport Organization</u> to inquire about your status for next summer and inform them of your availability.
- Q: I've been selected for, or have applied to be, a member of a District Team mission staff at the Games. What if I am no longer available to volunteer as mission staff in 2021, or if I would like to confirm my commitment for 2021?
- A: Please reach out to your District for Sport, Culture and Recreation to inform them of your availability for 2021. A list of Districts with contact information can be found here.



Q: I've signed up as a volunteer for the 2020 Saskatchewan Summer Games, but I don't know if I will be available in summer 2021. Who should I contact?

A: In the coming weeks, an email will be sent to all registered volunteers explaining what next steps will be and will include contact information for further questions. Please keep an eye on your spam or junk inbox as some email systems may automatically mark as spam emails from the Saskatchewan Games results and registration system.

Q: I registered to volunteer in 2020. Will I still be in the system for 2021 or do I need to reapply?

A: All volunteers already registered will remain in the system unless asked to be removed. In the coming weeks, an email will be sent to all registered volunteers with instructions and updates. Please keep an eye on your spam or junk inbox as some email systems may automatically mark as spam emails from the Saskatchewan Games results and registration system.

Q: What if the current pandemic situation does not improve, and hosting the Games in 2021 is also not a safe possibility?

A: The Saskatchewan Games Council, the City of Lloydminster and the Lloydminster 2020 Host Society continue to closely monitor the developments related to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and are committed to keeping all stakeholders informed as we consider what impacts the pandemic may have on our ability to plan and host the Games in July 2021. The Saskatchewan Games Council will continue to engage with partners and stakeholders and will seek guidance from the appropriate health authorities and governments regarding preparedness.

Host Society and City of Lloydminster Questions

Q: How are the Saskatchewan Games in Lloydminster funded?

A: The Games are set up to operate through a tripartite agreement between the Saskatchewan Games Council, the City of Lloydminster, and 2020 Saskatchewan Summer Games Lloydminster Inc. ("Lloydminster 2020 Host Society" or "Host Society"). The Saskatchewan Games Council, through funding from Saskatchewan Lotteries, provides the non-profit Host Society a hosting grant of \$420,000 as well as a matching legacy grant of \$250,000. The balance of the Games' operating budget is raised through admissions, merchandise sales, sponsorship monies and in-kind support.

Q: Will the funding that has been provided by the Saskatchewan Games Council to the Host decrease due to the postponement?

A: No. The amount of funding that has been provided to the Host Society by the Saskatchewan Games Council via Saskatchewan Lotteries has been allocated to the Host in full.

Q: What is happening with all the money that was spent on the Games to date?

A: The Host Society board has been diligent and fiscally responsible in order to minimize the amount of money spent to date on the Games. The majority of the funding has so far been spent on facility upgrades in preparation for the Games. These projects are legacy items of the Games that will remain as a benefit for the community after the Games are completed.

Q: My organization or company has come onboard as a sponsor/Friend of the Games. Will my sponsorship be valid in 2021?



A: Yes, all Games sponsors will remain onboard and the sponsorship will be transferred to the new date. Additional sponsors will also be recruited in the leadup to the 2021 Games.

Q: Will Games Manager remain employed until next year?

A: Yes. We believe that retaining the services of Games Manager Nicole Clow for the tenure between now and the rescheduled Games is pivotal to hosting a successful event, given her significant expertise and experience. The Host Society is currently working to ensure this arrangement is financially viable.

Q: Where is additional money coming from to source the added expenses that will result from postponing the Games?

A: The three partners are currently looking at a revised budget that depicts the added financial requirements needed to move the Games to 2021. A concerted effort is being put forth to explore avenues to acquire the additional funds that will be identified.

Q: How does being a border city come into play with the Games moving to 2021?

A: As Lloydminster straddles the border of both Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Host Society is responsible to take direction from the Chief Medical Officers and orders from both provinces. The City of Lloydminster is providing guidance and oversight to the Host Society in this area.

Q: How much money has been spent on the Summer Games by the City of Lloydminster to date?

A: As of April 20, 2020, total costs incurred by the City of Lloydminster for the 2020 Saskatchewan Summer Games is \$500,000. The full amount was paid in July 2019 to 2020 Saskatchewan Summer Games Lloydminster Inc.

Q: What will happen to all the facility upgrades and updates that have been made in the city?

A: All facility and equipment upgrades to date have been completed as part of the Saskatchewan Games Council and the City of Lloydminster's commitments to the 2020 Saskatchewan Summer Games. These upgrades will remain in place for when the Games return in 2021 and will be enjoyed by residents and regional visitors long after the Games have concluded.

Q: Are my taxes going to increase to pay for this rescheduling?

A: No. Municipal taxes will not increase due to the rescheduling of the Saskatchewan Summer Games. The money the City has earmarked for the Games will be placed into a reserve until summer 2021.