

Canoe Sprint

at the Baku 2015 European Games



Competition venue: **Mingachevir**

Competition starts: **14 June**

3 days of competition

350 athletes

15 medal events



Key personnel

European Canoe Association (ECA) personnel

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The Canoe Sprint competition

The Canoe Sprint competition at the Baku 2015 European Games will be held from 14 to 16 June 2015 at the Kur Sport and Rowing Centre in Mingachevir. The competition will consist of 15 medal events, summarised below:

Medal events (15)	
Men (9)	Women (6)
Kayak Single (K1) 200m	Kayak Single (K1) 200m
Kayak Single (K1) 1000m	Kayak Single (K1) 500m
Kayak Single (K1) 5000m	Kayak Single (K1) 5000m
Kayak Double (K2) 200m	Kayak Double (K2) 200m
Kayak Double (K2) 1000m	Kayak Double (K2) 500m
Kayak Four (K4) 1000m	Kayak Double (K4) 500m
Canoe Single (C1) 200m	
Canoe Single (C1) 1000m	
Canoe Double (C2) 1000m	

A total of 350 athletes, 205 men and 145 women, may take part in the Canoe Sprint competition.



The rules

The Canoe Sprint competition will be held in accordance with the current edition of the following document that is in force at the time of the Games:

- ICF Canoe Sprint Rules 2013, available at www.canoeicf.com

Clothing and equipment

Clothing and equipment used by athletes and other participants in the Canoe Sprint competition must comply with the following documents:

- ICF Canoe Sprint Rules 2013, Chapter II, available at www.canoeicf.com
- European Games Rules on Advertising, Demonstrations and Propaganda

Competition format

Depending on the number of entries, each Canoe Sprint event will consist of preliminary heats, semi-finals and finals. In all events except the men's and women's K4, "B" finals will be held in order to allow for placings from 10th to 18th places, and "C" finals will be held in order to allow for placings from 19th to 27th places.

Events with 10–18 boats

Events for which between 10 and 18 boats have been entered will begin with two heats, each with up to nine boats. The three fastest boats in each heat will progress directly to the final, with the boats ranked from four to seven and the next best time going forward to the one semi-final, while the remaining boats will be eliminated from the competition.

The three fastest boats in the semi-final will progress to final "A," while the remaining boats will be eliminated from the competition.

Events with 19–27 boats

Events for which between 19 and 27 boats have been entered will begin with three heats, each with up to nine boats. The fastest boat will progress directly to the final, and boats placed second to seventh will progress to the two semi-finals, with the remaining boats eliminated from the competition.

The three fastest boats in each semi-final will progress to final "A," with the boats placed fourth to seventh and the next best time going forward to final "B." The remaining boat will be eliminated from the competition.

Events with 28–36 boats

Events for which between 28 and 36 boats have been entered will begin with four heats, each with up to nine boats. The six fastest boats in each heat, and the next three fastest boats from across the four heats, will progress to the three semi-finals. The remaining boats will be eliminated from the competition.

The three fastest boats in each semi-final will progress to final "A." Boats finishing fourth to sixth in each semi-final will progress to final "B." The remaining boat will be eliminated from the competition.

K4 events

Events will begin with two heats, each with up to eight boats. The three fastest boats in each heat will progress directly to the final, and the boats ranked from fourth to seventh and the next best time will progress to the semi-final. The remaining boats will be eliminated from the competition.

The three fastest boats from the semi-final will progress to final "A." The remaining boats will be eliminated from the competition.

Competition schedule

A detailed competition schedule can be found on page 5.

Sport-specific events

Technical Meeting

Date: 12 June 2015

Location: Kur Sport and Rowing Centre

Time: To be communicated at a later stage

The venue

For the European Games, the city of Mingachevir will host the Canoe Sprint competition. Home to the Azerbaijan Canoe Sprint and Rowing Teams, the Kur Sport and Rowing Centre is the national Olympic training centre. Located on the picturesque banks of the Kur River, approximately 250 kilometres from Baku, the existing venue will receive extensive upgrades before the Baku 2015 European Games.

Field of play

The field of play at Mingachevir is a regatta course measuring 1,000m in length, with a race lane depth greater than 7m. For the Canoe Sprint competition, it will be presented with nine lanes and with start lines at 200m, 500m, 1000m and 5000m meeting the ICF Canoe Sprint competition rules. Separate warm-up and cool-down areas will also be available.

Facilities

The construction of the Kur Sport and Rowing Centre was completed in 2010. The complex is able to provide housing, dining, training facilities, recreational facilities and others services.

Other facilities at the competition venue will include:

- **An athletes' lounge, which will include services such as an athlete refreshment station, the Sport Information Desk, television with an in-venue live sports feed and Wi-Fi**
- **Boat rental service**
- **Boat repair service**
- **Boat storage**
- **A broadcast mixed zone and an I-Zone (the I-Zone replaces the press mixed zone and media conference room at a competition venue)**
- **A media workroom**
- **A doping control station**
- **Gym, fitness facilities, swimming pool and sauna**
- **Medical facilities and services such as field-of-play response team, spectator response teams and ambulance staff. Each venue will have at least one medical person with Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support certification**
- **NOC physiotherapy spaces**
- **Physiotherapy services featuring internationally trained physiotherapists**
- **A Sport Information Desk, offering services including distribution of general sport information, results and other key competition information**

Transport

The preliminary travel time from the Canoe Sprint Village to Mingachevir is five minutes. All travel times are subject to being refined in tandem with the Road Infrastructure delivery.

Weather

Located on the southeast foothills of the Bozdag Mountain chain and on the edge of the Mingachevir reservoir, Mingachevir experiences fairly similar conditions to Baku. Based on statistics from recent years, the mean temperature is approximately 24°C (75°F) in June. The average monthly precipitation for the month of June is 44.1mm and the prevailing winds are from the north-west and south-east, with a mean wind speed of 3.9 m/s.

Qualification and entry

All information on qualification and entries for Canoe Sprint can be found in the Canoe Sprint qualification system, distributed by BEGOC. NOCs should check online for regular updates to these qualification criteria, which will be made available to all NOCs on the e-Qəzet.

Training

Training for the Canoe Sprint competition will also take place at the Kur Sport and Rowing Centre in Mingachevir. The venue and field of play will be open for training from 12 to 16 June 2015. All training equipment will be approved by European Canoe Association, and will comply with the ICF Canoe Sprint Rules 2013.

A training calendar, including circulation patterns, will be provided to each NOC.

Competition Schedule

14 June 2015 - Day 2, Mingachevir

09:00 - 11:00	CS01	Canoe Single (C1) 1000m Men - Heats
		Kayak Single (K1) 1000m Men - Heats
		Canoe Double (C2) 1000m Men - Heats
		Kayak Four (K4) 500m Women - Heats
		Kayak Double (K2) 1000m Men - Heats
13:00 - 17:30	CS02	Kayak Single (K1) 500m Women - Heats
		Kayak Double (K2) 500m Women - Heats
		Kayak Four (K4) 1000m Men - Heats
		Kayak Single (K1) 500m Women - Semi-finals
		Canoe Single (C1) 1000m Men - Semi-finals
		Canoe Double (C2) 1000m Men - Semi-finals
		Kayak Double (K2) 1000m Men - Semi-finals
		Kayak Single (K1) 1000m Men - Semi-finals
		Kayak Double (K2) 500m Women - Semi-finals
Kayak Four (K4) 1000m Men - Semi-finals		

15 June 2015 - Day 3, Mingachevir

09:00 - 11:15	CS03	Kayak Single (K1) 1000m Men - Final A
		Kayak Single (K1) 1000m Men - Final B
		Canoe Double (C2) 1000m Men - Final A
		Kayak Four (K4) 500m Women - Final A
		Kayak Single (K1) 1000m Men - Medal Ceremony
		Canoe Single (C1) 1000m Men - Medal Ceremony
		Kayak Double (K2) 1000m Men - Medal Ceremony
		Kayak Four (K4) 1000m Men - Medal Ceremony

14:00 - 17:15	CS04t	Kayak Single (K1) 200m Women - Heats
		Canoe Single (C1) 200m Men - Heats
		Kayak Double (K2) 200m Men - Heats
		Kayak Single (K1) 200m Men - Heats
		Kayak Double (K2) 200m Women - Heats
		Kayak Single (K1) 200m Women - Semi-finals
		Kayak Double (K2) 200m Men - Semi-finals
		Kayak Single (K1) 200m Men - Semi-finals
		Kayak Double (K2) 200m Women - Semi-finals

16 June 2015 - Day 4, Mingachevir

09:00 - 10:15	CS05	Kayak Four (K4) 1000m Men - Final A
		Kayak Single (K1) 500m Women - Final B
		Kayak Single (K1) 500m Women - Final A
		Kayak Double (K2) 500m Women - Final A
		Kayak Single (K1) 500m Women - Medal Ceremony
		Kayak Double (K2) 200m Women - Medal Ceremony
15:00 - 18:15	CS06	Canoe Single (C1) 200m Men - Final A
		Kayak Single (K1) 200m Men - Final B
		Kayak Single (K1) 200m Men - Final A
		Kayak Double (K2) 200m Men - Final A
		Kayak Single (K1) 200m Women - Final B
		Kayak Single (K1) 200m Women - Final A
		Kayak Double (K2) 200m Women - Final A
		Canoe Single (C1) 200m Men - Medal Ceremony
		Kayak Single (K1) 200m Men - Medal Ceremony
		Kayak Double (K2) 200m Men - Medal Ceremony
		Kayak Single (K1) 200m Women - Medal Ceremony
		Kayak Single (K1) 5000m Women - Medal Ceremony
		Kayak Single (K1) 5000m Men - Medal Ceremony

Disclaimer

All information contained within this Competition Factsheet may be subject to change between now and the Games. NOCs are advised to check the e-Qəzet for important updates on topics such as the qualification system and the competition schedule.

Detailed Games-time Sport Guides will be distributed to NOCs in May 2015.





Canoe Sprint Mingachevir

Kür

5000m Mass
start location

Hotel

Finish
line

Split time
timing hut

6
Field of
Play

500m Start/
Split time

Split time
timing hut

1000m
Start

Kür

4

C

D

Islamzadeh st

- Venue Perimeter
- Entrance/Exit
- Pedestrian Screening Area
- Vehicle Screening Area
- Vehicle Permit Checkpoint
- T-A Load Zone
- T-All Load Zone
- T-X Load Zone
- Athlete Changing Rooms
- Athlete Lounge
- Athlete Medical
- Athlete Warm-up
- Doping Control
- Field of Play
- Games Family Lounge
- Games Family Seating
- Mixed Zone
- Sports Information Desk
- Sports Specific Zone

E

F

A

B

Islamzadeh st

Hotel

5

10

D

2

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