



HOSTING THE UNITED STATES CANOE ASSOCIATION

***National Marathon Canoe and Kayak Championships**

***Nationals Canoe and Kayak Youth Sprint Championships**

****National Canoe and Kayak Adult Sprint Championships**

****National Canoe and Kayak Orienteering Championships**

*** Required National Championships ** Optional Championships that can be offered.**

Part I: Nationals Bid Application

Part II: Instructions and Hosting Requirements in a separate document

*Race Management information specifically for the U.S.C.A. National Race Sponsor
identifying responsibilities, requirements, and an interpretation of the
U. S. C. A. rules governing the U.S.C.A Nationals. USCA Website: <http://www.uscanoe.com>*

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**Submit the Bid for the 2019 Nationals no later than December 1, 2017 or as
determined by the President**

This bid should be submitted electronically. If help is needed to scan the bid, pictures, or signature page
please contact the Nationals Coordinator listed above

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BID APPLICATION TO HOST THE USCA NATIONAL MARATHON, SPRINT, AND ORIENTEERING CANOE AND KAYAK CHAMPIONSHIPS

For the year of: **2019**

Date of Application _____

Dates of National Canoe and Kayak Championships: **2019 Nationals dates for 6 days; August 6-11 or 4 days August 8-11.**

*(The date of the USCA Marathon Nationals is approved by the USCA Delegates at least 1.5 years ahead of the event. Nationals are held in month of August. Option of race sponsor to offer a full 6 day schedule of events starting on Tuesday, or a 4 or 5 day schedule of events – Wednesday, Thursday - Sunday. **List the date these championship events will be offered on the blank below.***

Adult Sprints (Optional) _____

Orienteering (Optional) _____

Youth Sprints, Adult/Youth sprints _____

Marathon _____

Race Sponsor: _____

City _____ State _____

River _____

Bids for USCA National Championships Races can only be accepted by race sponsors who have conducted USCA sanctioned races for at least 2 years prior to the bid date.

Anticipated Fees:

Marathon 1st race _____ Extra _____ Youth fees: _____ Junior fees: _____
(Typically youth fees are much less than adult); Marathon races for ages 15-17 - one half the adult fee)

Youth Sprints 1st race _____ Extra _____ Adult in Adult/Youth sprints 1st race _____ Extra _____

Youth in Adult/Youth Sprints _____ Extra _____ Youth Marathon _____

Optional events: Orienteering Adult fee _____ Youth fee _____ Adult Sprints - Adult 1st race _____

Extra _____ Youth fees _____

1. **We, (Race Sponsor) have conducted USCA sanctioned races for _____ years on this course.**
2. **We agree to run all of the USCA championship classes. (Refer to list in Part II)**
3. **The race course purposed will meet the site selection criteria for a USCA Marathon race.**
 - a. **Mass start:** Accommodates _____ canoes or kayaks.
 - b. **Portages:** _____ necessary portages of _____ feet in length.
 - c. **Length:** miles total _____, upstream _____, downstream _____, Approx. time _____
 - d. **Lodging:** camp sites _____ motel/hotel rooms _____ within _____ miles of start/finish.
 - e. **Port-o-lets or other toilet facilities:** race start; _____ race finish _____ sprints _____
 - f. **Parking spaces:** race start, _____ race finish _____ sprints _____
 - g. **Ease of Put-in and Take-out:** Explain _____

4. **By submitting this bid, the race sponsor agrees to the following USCA requirements.**
- a. Hold the Canoe and Kayak Championship schedules: (Optional) Tuesday – Adult Sprints (500 meters); Wednesday (optional) – Orienteering; **Thursday** – Youth Sprints (250 & 500 meters) and Adult/Youth Sprints and Paddlers with Disabilities for V1 and OC1, and Youth Marathon (3 miles); and **Friday, Saturday, Sunday Marathon races.**
 - b. Provide complete race information to the USCA Nationals Coordinator/USCA President no later than March 15 to be placed in *Canoe News* and on the Website by April 1. Nationals Coordinator will contact you after the Annual Meeting to confirm events and days they are to be offered.
 - c. Send approved (by the Nationals Coordinator) race flyer with entry forms to all current and previous years USCA members by June 1 or earlier. The USCA Membership Chairman will provide gummed labels at no charge, if requested. Or, database as specified for email or mail it yourself.
 - d. Arrange for an indoor meeting place for 60-75 people on Friday evening for the USCA semiannual meeting. Prior to the meeting, arrange for a pasta dinner for paddlers and their families and members of the community to attend. A is usually charged.
 - e. Provide race packets of information to all competitors
 - f. Provide a cruise on Wednesday or Thursday with USCA assistance for local citizenry and USCA members and families. *This is optional.*
 - g. Provide arrangements for First Aid and Communications at start and finish and along the race course, plus safety and sweep boats. This also applies to the Sprint events. Please explain:

 - h. Provide an impoundment area at the race finish for the winning boats.
 - i. Provide a Technical Inspection (Jigging) area during pre-race week and at race finish.
 - j. Adequate general liability and accidental medical insurance must be obtained to cover the racers and host during the USCA National Events. Insurance coverage is available through the USCA at an affordable cost. For more information go to the USCA Website www.uscanoe.com If the Nationals Host has event coverage through any other source, the type of insurance and the limits of coverage must be at least equal to USCA's. USCA requires proof of insurance from that insurance company, and the USCA Directors and Officers shall be named as 'Additional Insured' on the Certificate of Insurance. A copy of the policy must be sent to the USCA President as soon as possible for review and approval.
 - k. The National Host must provide proof of general liability insurance from all vendors at the USCA Nationals including proof that USCA and its Officers and Delegates are listed as 'Additional Insured'. Does the Host organization or the areas used by the Host organization require special insurance for vendors during the week of the USCA Nationals event? YES _____ or NO _____. If yes, the USCA Insurance Administrator can assist with this. Proof of coverage must be provided to the President.

- l. Award the USCA Championship medals as directed by the USCA National Awards Committee. Purchase shall be from the USCA.
 - m. Send complete race results for marathon, adult sprints, orienteering, and youth sprints to the *Canoe News* Editor by September 1. (**Important:** Race results are not to be posted on the website or published until approved by the USCA Nationals Coordinator or another designated USCA member.)
 - n. Rebate to the USCA for Marathon Championship participants only: \$5.00 per adult and \$1.00 per junior 15-17 years old* (check made payable to USCA and sent to the USCA Treasurer.) Send a list of marathon participants to the Executive Director or Nationals Coordinator for verification. (A participant is counted only one time no matter how many marathon events a racer enters.) Rebate due no later than 4 weeks after last day of races. *Junior age as of January 1 of the current year.
 - o. Submit a complete, *detailed* financial report to the USCA Executive Director and/or Nationals Coordinator within four (4) weeks of the last day of races.
5. If your state requires canoe/kayak registration, will there be a waiver, exemption or reciprocity for out-of-state canoes/kayaks? Identify your state requirements and the waiver that will be available. (It is necessary to have waiver from five days prior to sprints through the last day of Marathon Championships.
 6. The USACK Nationals Marathon Championships have not been offered to run with the USCA Nationals since 2012. The following is for information only. The Host, in cooperation with Marathon Committee of USACK may be asked to support, the USACK National Marathon Championships at USCA Nationals. To the extent practicable, the USACK Championship classes will be run within (at the same time and in the same race) existing USCA classes. Given the current low level of ICF canoe competition in the United States, USCA and USACK have for the time being agreed that only K1 Man and K1 Woman in three age classes and K2 Men with no age divisions are to be presented. USACK has also agreed, for simplicity, to align its age division specifications to match those of USCA. Competitors must be members of both the USCA and USACK to race, and must use ICF specification canoes or kayaks. USACK provides the awards.
 7. It is recognized that all television rights of the race are solely those of the USCA (R). NO PERSON OR ORGANIZATION MAY USE THE NAME OR EMBLEM OF THE ASSOCIATION IN ADVERTISING, SOLICITING GOODS OR SERVICES, OR PROMOTING WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE USCA DELEGATES according to the USCA BY-LAWS, REGISTRATION, TRADE MARK AND COPYRIGHT LAWS. For further information contact the USCA Executive Director or an Officer.
 8. In addition to the specified Per competitor rebate amount, the amount of additional funding that the race sponsoring organization is prepared to donate to the USCA is _____*
- *NOTE: An additional contribution is NOT a requirement for hosting the National Championships. The National Race is, however, a profitable event for both the hosting community and the hosting race sponsor. In the event of similar bids, an additional pledged contribution could be a factor in the USCA's deliberations. Contributions, if pledged, can take the form of a specific dollar amount or a percentage of the profits.*
9. Race sponsor should publicize the USCA Nationals event locally. It is important to announce that an individual or team can race in a Championship event by joining the USCA. Provide advanced registration information. As part of the Nationals ceremony, the cruise serves as a further incentive to involve local participation. Develop a race program as it is useful to competitors, spectators, and local citizens. Local merchant advertising could cover the publication costs.

RACE COURSE DESCRIPTION AND AGREEMENT

On separate sheet(s) of paper, please give a brief description of the race course. Include the following information:

1. Provide a map of the race course showing the:
 - a. Start and Finish lines.
 - b. Portages, if any.
 - c. Rapids, if any.
 - d. List any possible hazards or unusual condition on the course.
 - e. Mileage of the course.
 - f. Spectator viewing site.
 - g. Arrows showing race course on a topographic map.
 - h. Provide info on water depth, anticipated at race date, and info in regard to current. Also, Put-in & Take-out.
2. Include the number and location of campsites, hotels, and motels.
3. Include directions from nearby major highways to the Start and Finish lines.
4. A map is requested of the course/area (topographic map).
5. Who will provide the timing and written results for this event?

RACE SPONSOR: Organization: _____

RACE CHAIRMAN: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: (_____) _____ FAX: _____

E-MAIL: _____

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED RACE SPONSOR: _____ Date _____
(Signature signifies that all USCA requirements and guidelines will be fulfilled.)

IMPORTANT: Please send the original copy of this application to the USCA Nationals Coordinator or USCA Executive Director, along with a copy of the Petition package. Also send copies of each to the USCA Site Selection Chair, USCA President, and USCA Competition Chairman. Keep a copy for your records. If possible send by email

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**PETITION TO SELECT A SITE FOR THE USCA NATIONAL MARATHON
CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR THE YEAR OF _____**

Bids should be made one year at a time. However, we do encourage race bidders to reapply again.

We, the undersigned current USCA members, have either raced on, or are familiar with

_____ between _____
(river or lake) (start)

and _____, _____
(finish) (state)

and believe it meets the criteria of the USCA to hold the _____(year)

USCA National Marathon Championship Canoe and Kayak races.

SIGNATURES: Include address and telephone numbers.

(Email messages showing a member accepts this course as meeting the USCA criteria can be used as “signatures”: Email addresses will be verified.)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Note: This signed petition must accompany the host application when it is submitted to the USCA Executive Director, President, Nationals Coordinator, Site Selection Chair, and Competition Chair.

Submit the pages of this application to the USCA Officers and Committee Chairs listed on previous page. Include maps, course description photos and any other information you wish to add.

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Instructions and Hosting Requirements are provided in Part II including the events to be held.