



**2024 USCA
National Canoe & Kayak
Championships**

August 7th – 11th, 2024

Chapman Lake & Allegheny River, Warren, PA

**Hosted by
Warren County Chamber of Business and
Industry**

For more information go to www.wccbi.org or
Contact Savannah Casey, Race Director, via email at szimmerman@wccbi.org

Welcome Back Paddlers!

Warren County Pennsylvania is proud of our heritage of serving as Host Community for the USCA National Canoe and Kayak Championships. Dating back to 2003, we are looking forward to welcoming back USCA members to our community in 2024! While much has changed over the past few years, several key elements of our outdoor recreational assets remain available to provide exceptional venues for the USCA Nationals. These include Chapman State Park, an ideal venue for the Sprint Youth Events, and the Allegheny River, with water control available through the Kinzua Dam, providing a challenging course for Marathon Races.

For the 2024 running of the USCA National Canoe and Kayak Marathon Championship events we will be utilizing the Allegheny River course like in years past. The course starts at the Tailwaters of the Kinzua Dam and finishes at the western end of the City of Warren at Betts Park. Two upstream paddles sections will be included in the Adult Marathon course, the first at Shipman's Eddy and the second within the City of Warren. These upstream paddles provide additional challenge to participants as well as overall distance to the racecourse needed to meet the overall course completion time parameters set by USCA. Junior racers will NOT complete the upstream portions of the course.

Warren County will again be working closely with the US Army Corps of Engineers to monitor the water levels in the Allegheny River. This will ensure, to the greatest extent possible, optimum levels for all marathon competition days. We will also strive to have level controls in place for a designated time on Wednesday, August 6th to support practice running of the course at "race levels". The ability to adjust water levels is completely at the discretion of the Army Corps of Engineers and is provided only if adjustments to the outflow of the Kinzua Dam have no deleterious impact on the reservoir or downstream activities.

One section of rough water exists on this course, at the western end of the United Refining Company. This section is approximately 100 yards long and will be actively monitored by the Glade Volunteer Fire Department Swift-water rescue team.

Appropriate and convenient boat jiggling and impound areas will be established and maintained throughout the Marathon portion of the event adjacent to the finish line boat launch area of Betts Park.

Please see the included Important Information Packet for the USCA Nationals

See you in August!

Warren County Chamber Staff

Important Information for the 2024 USCA National Championships

1. 2024 USCA membership is required to participate in all USCA Nationals Events.

- a. Send USCA membership application to Lynne McDuffie, Membership Chair
410 Cockman Road, Robbins, NC 27325
- b. Membership information available at www.uscanoe.com
- c. **Proof of membership is required for event registration.**

2. Event Registration

- a. By mail on or before **FRIDAY, JULY 26th, 2024**, with check payable to:
Warren County Chamber of Business and Industry (WCCBI)
Memo: USCA
308 Market Street, Warren, PA 16365
- b. No day-of-event registration, except for the sprint races on Thursday.
- c. **Payment may be made via credit card by calling 814-723-3050 or emailing szimmerman@wccbi.org**

3. Waiver / Release of Liability form must be completed and signed by each participant at check-in. Form can be downloaded from website prior to event registration.

4. Age Groups-The following age groups will apply for all the classes except for those that are stated otherwise. In tandem events (C2 or K2), the team's age is determined by the younger of the two paddlers in adult classes. In youth classes, the team's age is determined by the older of the two paddlers.

Adult (Age on Race Day)	Youth & Junior (Age on 1/1/2024)
18-39 Open	Youth 5-7
40-49 Master	Youth 8-10
50-59 Senior	Youth 11-12
60-64 Veteran 1	Youth 13-14
65-69 Veteran 2	Junior 15-17
70-74 Grand Veteran 1	Adult (18+)/Youth (5-14)
75-79 Grand Veteran 2	Adult (18+)/Junior (15-17)
80+ Grand Master Veteran	

- 5. Open Class:** New this year, you will be scored by your age in each division you enter, as well as in the overall standings. The overall winner does not qualify for age group awards and will be recognized as the overall National Champion. In the event of a start with multiple heats, paddlers can waive their age group awards to start in the open heat to compete for the overall championship.
- 6. Youth Sprints-** All Youth/Junior Sprint events will be 250 meters. A youth paddler may enter one of each of C1, C2, Mixed, K1 and SUP for a total of five (5) events. Adult paddlers in the Adult & Youth/Junior Sprints must be 18+ years of age as of race day. Adults may paddle in more than one age group of Adult & Youth/Junior events. **Junior C1 Zavel Award & Junior K1 Barton Award.**
- 7. Life Jackets-** PFD's must ALWAYS be worn while on Corps of Engineers waters which lie between the Kinzua Dam and the upstream tip of the first island downstream of the marathon starting line. This is the first portion of the course, after that, standard USCA competition rules apply.

8. **Jigging:** All Canoes and Kayaks should be jugged prior to Marathon events. A 2024 sticker will be provided and affixed to crafts that have passed inspection. Watch the bulletin board for jugging times and location. In marathon events, the top 5 finishing boats in all age groups must go immediately to the jugging area to be measured, or face disqualification. Any boat that fails inspection and was not measured prior to the event will be disqualified immediately.

9. **Medals:**

- a. Adult USCA classes receive age group medals 3 deep. If a participant waives their age recognition, the next competitor will receive the medal.
- b. Junior and Youth Classes are 3 medals deep for sprints and 3 medals deep for marathon.

10. **Barton Youth Award:** Participation is open to all paddlers ages 9-17. The award goes to the fastest female and the fastest male in K1 and C1. The winners will each receive a new paddle.

11. **Paddlers with Physical Disabilities:** All sprint events are 250 meters. Athletes entering the National Championship Sprints for Paddlers with Physical Disabilities must send ICF Paracanoe Athlete Diagnosis Form and ICF Paracanoe Athlete Certificate of Diagnosis Form or USCA Adaptive Paddler Vision Qualification Form to Jan Whitaker by email (janwhitaker@twc.com) or by postal mail (560 Shore Drive, West Henrietta, NY. 14586).

Documents MUST be received by July 15th, 2024. Links to the necessary documents may be found by visiting:

https://www.canoeicf.com/sites/default/files/paracanoe_athletes_diagnosis_form_2020.pdf

https://www.canoeicf.com/sites/default/files/paracanoe_athletes_certificate_of_diagnosis_2020.pdf

12. **Picnic:** Friday, August 9th, 2024

- a. Picnic provided at Bent Run at 5 PM. **MUST RSVP ahead of time.**
- b. \$20 per person if paid for before July 26th, 2024.
- c. \$25 per person if paid for on August 9th, 2024. → Cash or Check ONLY!

13. **USCA Semiannual Meeting:** Friday, August 9th, 2024, at 7:00 PM.

- a. Location for meeting: Conewango Club, 201 Market Street, Warren, PA 16365

14. **Orienteering Event:** Thursday afternoon, Betts Park – contact Edna Spang for more information.

15. **Safety:** Failure to observe the following safety requirements will result in a disqualification in that event or a time penalty may be assessed to the violators' finish time as determined by the Competition Chair.

- a. Attendance at pre-race meetings is mandatory.
- b. A *US Coast Guard* approved PFD must be in the possession of each contestant, and properly worn if wearing it is required in accordance with the *PFDs Owner's Manual* and what is stated on the label attached to the PFD. If there are any questions pertaining to PFDs consult with the Safety Chair (Glen Green).
- c. A sound producing device, such as a pea-less whistle which meets USCG requirements, must be carried in each boat, either securely affixed to a PFD or the boat in a manner which allows quick access in a personal emergency.
- d. A *US Coast Guard* approved PFD must always be worn by all non-swimmers and by persons ages 5-14 on the water, and by all contestants in Youth classes.
- e. Inflatable PFDs shall NOT be worn by non-swimmers and by all persons under the age of 16.
- f. Competitors must wear the ISO 12402-5 compliant PFD securely to be legal.

- g. **Lightning:** Before a race has started, if thunder is heard and/or lightning is seen, or a lightning detector indicates an approaching thunderstorm, the race will be delayed at least 30 minutes after hearing the last thunder. If the time between thunder time is 30 seconds or less, or if you do not see the lightning but hear loud thunder; get off the water immediately and seek proper shelter. The race is considered officially stopped at that moment in time. The order of the paddlers on the racecourse at that instance will be considered their placement in the finishing order, based upon discussion with the racers and race officials at the finishing area. Thirty minutes after hearing the last thunder the racers may proceed down the racecourse.

16. Hotel Rooms for USCA Nationals/ Lodging

- a. Days Inn of Warren: 814-726-3000
- b. Hampton Inn and Suites: 814-723-2722 or www.warrensuites.hamptoninn.com
- c. Quality Inn and Suites: 814-723-3050

Schedule of Events

Wednesday, August 7th, 2024: Check-in

WCCBI Offices at 308 Market Street, Warren, PA. 16365

8AM – 5 PM: Check-in and late registration

- On-site registration accepted for all events for Thursday through Sunday.
- **Call-in option for last day of registration available by calling 814-723-3050 from 8 AM until 5 PM.**

Thursday, August 8th, 2024: Youth Day!

Chapman Lake, 4790 Chapman Dam Road, Clarendon, PA 16313

Youth Sprint and Adult/Youth Sprint Championships, Youth Marathon Championships, and Paddlers with Physical Disabilities Championships

8:30 am – 9:30 am – Check-in, registration, membership verified, and waivers signed. Waivers must be signed by each participant and parent or guardian. **9:30 am** –MANDATORY pre-race meeting at Chapman Lake **10:00 am** – Racing Begins- Sequence of events listed below.

1. C1 Youth (5-7)	15. K1 Woman Junior (15-17)	29. K1 Man w/ Disabilities
2. C2 Youth (11-12)	16. C2 Men Junior (15-17)	30. C2/K2 Man/Youth (13-14)
3. C1 Youth (8-10)	17. C1 Woman Junior (15-17)	31. C2/K2 Man/Junior (15-17)
4. K1 Youth (11-12)	18. C2 Boys Youth (13-14)	32. C2/K2 Woman/Youth (5-7)
5. C2 Youth (5-7)	19. K1 Boy Youth (13-14)	33. V1 Man w/ Disabilities
6. K1 Youth (8-10)	20. C1 Man Junior (15-17)	34. C2/K2 Woman/Youth (8-10)
7. C1 Youth (11-12)	21. C2 Girls Youth (13-14)	35. C2/K2 Woman/Youth (11-12)
8. C2 Youth (8-10)	22. C2/K2 Mixed Junior (5-17)	36. V1 Woman w/ Disabilities
9. K1 Youth (5-7)	23. SUP Unlimited Man (5-17)	37. C2/K2 Woman/Youth (13-14)
10. C1 Girl Youth (13-14)	24. SUP Unlimited Woman (5-17)	38. C2/K2 woman/Junior (15-17)
11. K1 Man Junior (15-17)	25. C2/K2 Man/Youth (5-7)	Youth Marathon
12. C2 Women Junior (15-17)	26. K1 Woman w/ Disabilities	C1 Youth 5-7, 8-10, 11-12
13. K1 Girl Youth (13-14)	27. C2/K2 Man/Youth (8-10)	K1 Youth 5-7, 8-10, 11-12
14. C1 Boy Youth (13-14)	28. C2/K2 Man/Youth (11-12)	

Awards- immediately following the Conclusion of sprints.

- **The Orienteering Event** at Betts Park will start in the afternoon, plan for arrival no later than 11:30 am at the Boat Launch side of Betts Park.

For list of events on the dates below, please see attached page for reference.

Friday, August 9th, 2024

Kinzua Tailwaters Boat Ramp, Powerhouse Drive, Warren, PA 16365

7:30 am – 8:30 am – Boat Number Pick-up

8:30 am –MANDATORY pre-race meeting

9:00 am –Races Begin- Sequence Listed Below. Listen to pre-race meeting for potential wave breaks and changes.

Betts Park 100 Ludlow St. Warren, PA 16365

Awards- immediately following the Conclusion events at Betts Park.

7:00 PM: USCA Semi-Annual Meeting at Conewango Club of Warren, PA

Picnic: 5 PM

Bent Run Brewing Company, 20 Clark Street, Warren, PA. 16365

- \$20 cost with pre-registration / \$25 cost day-of
- Cash or Check ONLY for the day of payment.
- You MUST RSVP for the picnic dinner.

USCA Semiannual meeting: 7 PM

Conewango Club, 201 Market Street, Warren, PA. 16365

Saturday, August 10th, 2024

Kinzua Tailwaters Boat Ramp, Powerhouse Drive, Warren, PA 16365

7:30 am – 8:30 am – Boat Number Pick-up

8:30 am –MANDATORY pre-race meeting

9:00 am –Races Begin- Sequence Listed Below. Listen to pre-race meeting for potential wave breaks and changes.

Betts Park 100 Ludlow St. Warren, PA 16365

Awards- immediately following the Conclusion events.

Sunday, August 11th, 2024

Kinzua Tailwaters Boat Ramp, Powerhouse Drive, Warren, PA 16365

7:30 am – 8:30 am – Boat Number Pick-up

8:30 am –MANDATORY pre-race meeting

9:00 am –Races Begin- Sequence Listed Below. Listen to pre-race meeting for potential wave breaks and changes.

Betts Park 100 Ludlow St. Warren, PA 16365

Awards- immediately following the Conclusion events.

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Warren, PA

Race Schedule

Thursday, August 8, 2024

Youth Sprint Races and Youth Marathon
Adult/Youth / Junior Sprints
Sprint Championships for Physical Disabilities?
(No adult only sprints)

Friday, August 9, 2024

Long Course

K1 Touring Man
K1 Unlimited Woman
C1 Woman
C1 Stock Woman
OC1 Man
C2 Standard Men
C2 Men
K2 Unlimited Men

Short Course

C1 Woman Junior (<18) + Zaveral Youth Award
K1 Woman Junior (<18) + Barton Youth Award
C2 Men Junior (<18)

Saturday, August 10, 2024

Long Course

C1 Man
C1 Man Stock
K1 Unlimited Man
K1 Sea Kayak Woman
OC1 Woman
C2 Standard Women
C2 Women
K2 Unlimited Women

Short Course

C2 Women Junior (<18)
K1 Man Junior (<18) + Barton Youth Award
C1 Man Junior (<18) + Zaveral Youth Award

Sunday, August 11, 2024

Long Course

K1 Touring Woman
K1 Sea Kayak Man
C2 Standard Mixed
C2 Mixed
C2 Man (18+)/Junior (15-17)
C2 Woman (18+)/Junior (15-17)
K2 Unlimited Mixed

Short Course

C2 Mixed Junior (<18)
C2 Man (18+) / Youth (5-14)
C2 Women (18+) / Youth (5-14)
SUP Unlimited Woman
SUP Unlimited Man

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Participant Registration Form

To register, please complete this form for EACH participant. Print legibly.

Pre-registration deadline is **FRIDAY, JULY 26th, 2024.**

LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION is Wednesday, August 7th, 2024.

2024 USCA membership is **REQUIRED** for all racers.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

USCA #: _____ DOB (mm/dd/yyyy): _____ Age: _____

(Adults age as of race day /
Youth age as of 01/01/2024)

Emergency Contact Information:

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Relationship: _____

RACE FEES:

1. Adult Marathon
 - a. \$50 per paddler (MUST be received by 7/26/2024)
 - b. \$60 per paddler after 7/26/24 (LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION: Wednesday, August 7th, 2024)
 - c. \$10 per paddler for each additional race
2. Youth Marathon (5-14): \$10 per paddler for first race; \$5 each additional race
3. Junior Marathon (15-17): \$10 per paddler for first race; \$5 each additional race
4. Sprint Championships for paddlers with Disabilities: \$10 per paddler for first race; \$5 each additional race
5. Youth Sprint: \$10 per paddler for up to 5 events
6. Adult/Youth Sprints: \$10 per youth paddler, NO charge for adults

SHUTTLE FEE: (We encourage shelf shuttling) Shuttle runs 11 AM – 1 PM

1. \$25 for all three days (August 9th-11th, 2024)
2. \$10 per day
3. \$50 family rate (family of three or more), for all three days

Picnic Dinner: dinner provided at Bent Run, on Friday, August 9th, 2024, at 5:00 pm.

1. \$20 per person if paid BEFORE 7/26/24.
2. \$25 per person if paid for day of – cash or check only!
3. \$5 per child (12 and younger)
4. Families of four or more \$45

FREE T-shirt to first 100 marathon entrants. Additional shirts, if any, will be for sale during the event.

TOTAL: _____

Pre-registration MUST be received on or before FRIDAY, JULY 26th, 2024.

Pre-registration by check mailed to: WCCBI, 308 Market Street, Warren, PA 16365

Pre-registration by credit card: call 814-723-3050.

LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION: Wednesday, August 7th, 2024, by calling 814-723-3050

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Participant Registration Form Continued

To register, please complete this form for EACH participant by checking the box(es)
 next to the class name you are registering for.
 Pre-registration deadline is FRIDAY, JULY 26th, 2024.

Thursday, August 8th, 2024: Chapman Lake, 4790 Chapman Dam Rd., Clarendon, PA 16313
8:30 am –9:30 am – Check-in, registration, membership verified, and waivers signed.
9:30 am –MANDATORY pre-race meeting / **10:00 am** – Racing Begins.

Paddlers entering in the physical disabilities MUST submit the necessary documents to Jan Whitaker by July 15th, 2024.

NAME: _____ **AGE:** _____ **STATE:** _____

Please designate which event you will be utilizing a partner for by the number next to the event.

EVENT: ___ **PARTNER'S NAME:** _____ **AGE:** _____ **STATE:** _____

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2. C2 Youth (11-12)	16. C2 Men Junior (15-17)	30. C2/K2 Man/Youth (13-14)
3. C1 Youth (8-10)	17. C1 Woman Junior (15-17)	31. C2/K2 Man/Junior (15-17)
4. K1 Youth (11-12)	18. C2 Boys Youth (13-14)	32. C2/K2 Woman/Youth (5-7)
5. C2 Youth (5-7)	19. K1 Boy Youth (13-14)	33. <i>V1 Man w/ Disabilities</i>
6. K1 Youth (8-10)	20. C1 Man Junior (15-17)	34. C2/K2 Woman/Youth (8-10)
7. C1 Youth (11-12)	21. C2 Girls Youth (13-14)	35. C2/K2 Woman/Youth (11-12)
8. C2 Youth (8-10)	22. C2/K2 Mixed Junior (5-17)	36. <i>V1 Woman w/ Disabilities</i>
9. K1 Youth (5-7)	23. SUP Unlimited Man (5-17)	37. C2/K2 Woman/Youth (13-14)
10. C1 Girl Youth (13-14)	24. SUP Unlimited Woman (5-17)	38. C2/K2 woman/Junior (15-17)
11. K1 Man Junior (15-17)	25. C2/K2 Man/Youth (5-7)	Youth Marathon
12. C2 Women Junior (15-17)	26. <i>K1 Woman w/ Disabilities</i>	* 39. C1 Youth 5-7, 8-10, 11-12
13. K1 Girl Youth (13-14)	27. C2/K2 Man/Youth (8-10)	* 40. K1 Youth 5-7, 8-10, 11-12
14. C1 Boy Youth (13-14)	28. C2/K2 Man/Youth (11-12)	*Please circle appropriate age group

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A paddler may enter one each of C1, C2, C2 Mixed, K1, K2, and SUP for a maximum of six. Age is determined by the older of the two paddlers. Youth/Junior team's age is determined by the older of the two. Adult/Junior & Adult/Youth: ADULTS may paddle with more than one age group. Youth/Junior may enter no more than one event AND must be in your own age group.

Age Groups: The following age groups will apply for all the classes except for those that are stated otherwise. In tandem events (C2 or K2), the team's age is determined by the younger of the two paddlers in adult classes. In youth classes, the team's age is determined by the older of the two paddlers.

Adult (Age on Race Day)

Youth (Age on 1/1/2021)

18-39 Open / Youth 5-7 / 40-49 Master / Youth 8-10 / 50-59 Senior / Youth 11-12 /
60-64 Veteran 1 / Youth 13-14 / 65-69 Veteran 2 / Junior 15-17 / 70-74 Grand Veteran 1
Adult (18+) / Youth (5-14) / 75-79 Grand Veteran 2 / Adult (18+) / Junior (15-17)
80+ Grand Master Veteran

Friday, August 9th, 2024: Kinzua Tailwaters

7:30 am – 8:30 am – Boat Number Pick-up & MANDATORY pre-race meeting

9:00 am – Races Begin- Sequence Listed Below.

NAME: _____ **AGE:** _____ **STATE:** _____

Please designate which event you will be utilizing a partner for by the number next to the event.

EVENT: _____

PARTNER'S NAME: _____ **AGE:** _____ **STATE:** _____

Long Course

K1 Touring Man
K1 Unlimited Woman
C1 Woman
C1 Stock Woman
OC1 Man
C2 Standard Men
C2 Men
K2 Unlimited Men

Short Course

C1 Woman Junior (<18) + Zaveral Youth Award
K1 Woman Junior (<18) + Barton Youth Award
C2 Men Junior (<18)

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7:30 am – 8:30 am – Boat Number Pick-up & MANDATORY pre-race meeting

9:00 am – Races Begin- Sequence Listed Below.

NAME: _____ **AGE:** _____ **STATE:** _____

Please designate which event you will be utilizing a partner for by the number next to the event.

EVENT: _____

PARTNER'S NAME: _____ **AGE:** _____ **STATE:** _____

Long Course

C1 Man

C1 Man Stock

K1 Unlimited Man

K1 Sea Kayak Woman

OC1 Woman

C2 Standard Women

C2 Women

K2 Unlimited Women

Short Course

C2 Women Junior (<18)

K1 Man Junior (<18) + Barton Youth Award

C1 Man Junior (<18) + Zaveral Youth Award

Sunday, August 11th, 2024: Kinzua Tailwaters

7:30 am – 8:30 am – Boat Number Pick-up & MANDATORY pre-race meeting

9:00 am – Races Begin- Sequence Listed Below.

NAME: _____ **AGE:** _____ **STATE:** _____

Please designate which event you will be utilizing a partner for by the number next to the event.

EVENT: _____

PARTNER'S NAME: _____ **AGE:** _____ **STATE:** _____

Long Course

K1 Touring Woman

K1 Sea Kayak Man

C2 Standard Mixed

C2 Mixed

C2 Man (18+)/Junior (15-17)

C2 Woman (18+)/Junior (15-17)

K2 Unlimited Mixed

Short Course

C2 Mixed Junior (<18)

C2 Man (18+) / Youth (5-14)

C2 Women (18+) / Youth (5-14)

SUP Unlimited Woman

SUP Unlimited Man

United States Canoe Association

★ Competition ★ Cruising ★ Conservation ★ Camping ★ Camaraderie

AMATEUR ATHLETIC WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

****READ BEFORE SIGNING****

Name of Event: _____ Date(s) of Event: _____

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in the UNITED STATES CANOE ASSOCIATION athletic sports program, related events and activities, the undersigned acknowledges, appreciates, and agrees that:

The risk of injury from the activities involved in this program is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death; and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist, and,

I acknowledge that I am aware there are risks to me of exposure to directly or indirectly arising out of, contributed to, by or resulting from an outbreak of any and all communicable disease, including but not limited to, the virus "severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2)", which is responsible for Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) and/or any mutation or variation thereof;

I knowingly and freely assume all such risks, both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of the releasees or others and assume full responsibility for my participation; and

I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual or significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such hazard to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and,

I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS the UNITED STATES CANOE ASSOCIATION and

(name of club, affiliate or sponsor), their officers, officials, agents, and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event ("RELEASEES"), WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE.

I acknowledge that I am aware of the safety rules and regulations applicable to this event including the use of life jackets and lightning safety, and that I have read the USCA sanctioning guidelines and will attend the pre-event/pre-race meeting.

I also acknowledge that photographs and video may be taken of me in my participation in and attendance at this event, and hereby freely agree to allow without restriction all uses of such photos and videos in the reporting of this race, and/or in the promotion of this event, its location, other sporting events, sport in general, and/or related purposes.

I have read this release of liability and assumption of risk agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement. And, to the best of my knowledge I do not have a fever, cough, or loss of taste (symptoms of COVID-19).

(All participants are to sign and completely fill in the information numbered 1-7 including emergency contact.)

(Please print legibly)

X _____ 1. Address: _____
(Participant's Signature) 2. City: _____

3. State/Zip Code: _____

5. _____ 4. Date signed: _____

(Participant's full name, Please PRINT)

6. Emergency Contact Person for this participant: _____

7. Emergency contact Phone Number: Cell: _____ Home: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT PERSON CANNOT BE A PARTICIPANT IN THE RACE OR EVENT.

Fill in form above for participants under age 18. Parent/Guardian is to sign and complete the form below.

FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER AGE 18 AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION) This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release as provided above, of all the Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, to the fullest extent permitted by law. I further agree to the photographic and video release set forth above.

X _____
(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date signed by parent/guardian)

