



GUIDE TO THE GAMES

KELOWNA 2026 BC SUMMER GAMES
JULY 22-26, 2026



We respectfully acknowledge the unceded territory of the sqilx[™]/syilx (Okanagan) peoples, on whose land we live, work, and play.

WELCOME!

We thank the Westbank First Nation and Okanagan Indian Band for the privilege to live, work, and play on the *tm̓xʷúlaʔxʷ* (land), that is the unceded and traditional territory of the syilx Okanagan peoples, the original stewards of these lands and to whom we give thanks to as our hosts.

As you forge community through sport, may you honour the original peoples and their land - committing to respect, understanding, and truth.



Okanagan Nation

West Bank First Nation and Okanagan Indian Band are two of eight communities that comprise the Okanagan Nation.

The syilx/Okanagan people are part of the territory that spans across the Southern Interior of British Columbia and into Washington State. Their language, *nsyilxcən*, carries knowledge systems and stories that have been passed down for generations. Teachings about *tm̓xʷúlaʔxʷ* (the land) and *klúsxnítkw* (Okanagan Lake) continue to guide stewardship, reminding us that human well-being is tied to the health of the environment. Even the name Kelowna itself comes from *nsyilxcən*, meaning “grizzly bear.”

The story of Kelowna does not begin with its incorporation as a city in 1905. It begins thousands of years earlier with the syilx/Okanagan people, whose culture, language, and traditions remain inseparable from the land and waters of this valley. Their presence is enduring and vital, shaping Kelowna yesterday, today, and into the future.

Since time immemorial, *sqilxʷ* (Okanagan people) have been self-sufficient and self-governing. Communities were semi-nomadic, moving with the seasons, and following a 13-moon calendar. Each new moon marked a new resource.

Communities worked together to create and uphold responsibility to the water, land, animals, and all living things, including relationships with neighbouring communities and Nations.

Spending time outdoors is more than recreation in Kelowna. It is a way of connecting with the living classroom that has shaped syilx culture for millennia. Approaching the land with curiosity and respect allows visitors to share in the values of reciprocity and stewardship.

Learn more by visiting <https://www.wfn.ca> and <https://www.okib.ca/> or Tourism Kelowna.



Figure 1: The traditional territory of the syilx people.

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CULTURE OF THE GAMES

THE BASIC PRINCIPLES OF THE CULTURE OF THE GAMES ARE FOUNDED IN THE BC GAMES CODE OF CONDUCT.

EVERYONE ASSOCIATED WITH THE GAMES:

- Has the right to participate in an environment that is supportive, positive, respectful, accessible, and that contributes to exceptional experiences.
- Has the responsibility to contribute in a positive way to the experiences of everyone involved in the Games.

All athletes, coaches, and officials at the BC Games are expected to conduct themselves in the spirit of fair play and in a responsible manner. This conduct is expected from the time you board BC Games transportation until you return home.

EVERYONE HAS A ROLE TO PLAY!

- Check your actions and words
- Speak up for yourself
- Tell someone if you see something

SEE SOMETHING? SAY SOMETHING.

If you experience or witness something that makes you feel unsafe, report to:

- Your coach (athletes);
- Your Provincial Sport Organization representatives at the Games (athletes, coaches, officials);

OR call 250-387-1121 (8 am - 11 pm)

CULTURE OF THE GAMES COURSE

All participants are required to complete the Culture of the Games module prior to attending the Games. Access the module through the BC GAMES PARTICIPANT WEBSITE. You are encouraged to review the Code of Conduct and other information on this page prior to completing the Culture of the Games module.



Complete the Culture of the Games Module through the BC GAMES PARTICIPANT WEBSITE

SHOW your ZONE COLOURS!

Just as if you were representing Canada at the Olympics, Paralympics, or Special Olympics you will be representing your Zone at the BC Winter Games! Come prepared to show your **ZONE TEAM PRIDE**!

KOOTENAYS YELLOW	THOMPSON OKANAGAN RED	FRASER VALLEY LIGHT BLUE	FRASER RIVER ORANGE	VANCOUVER COASTAL DARK GREEN	VANCOUVER ISLAND CENTRAL COAST LIGHT GREEN	NORTH WEST PURPLE	CARIBOO NORTH EAST DARK BLUE
ZONE 1	ZONE 2	ZONE 3	ZONE 4	ZONE 5	ZONE 6	ZONE 7	ZONE 8

VISITING KELOWNA



WELCOME TO KELOWNA!

Welcome to Kelowna, a city in British Columbia's Okanagan Valley known for its lakeside setting, surrounding vineyards, and four-season lifestyle—and proudly recognized as a UNESCO City of Gastronomy. Here, sun-kissed vineyards meet shimmering lake views, and every moment invites adventure. In the heart of the valley, Kelowna is a place filled with flavour, energy, and warmth. Sip world-class wines, stroll orchard-lined roads, hike to panoramic lookouts, or unwind on sandy lakeside beaches. Whether you are here for farm-fresh cuisine, arts and culture, or outdoor exploration, Kelowna is where memories are made and stories begin. [Learn more about the City of Kelowna.](#)

Kelowna proudly welcomes athletes, families, volunteers, and fans from across British Columbia for the BC Summer Games, five days of sport, community, and celebration in one of the most beautiful settings in the country.

BUILT FOR SPORT

Sport and the outdoors are part of daily life in Kelowna. The surrounding mountains, valley trails, and open waters of Okanagan Lake have shaped generations of active, driven people, and the city's athletic culture runs deep. Kelowna is home to competitive clubs, provincial-level training programs, and a community that shows up to support its athletes.

The 2026 BC Summer Games bring together more than 2,500 participants from across British Columbia to compete across dozens of sport disciplines throughout Kelowna and the wider Okanagan region. It is one of the largest multi-sport events in BC, and this community is ready for it.

VISITOR CENTRE

The Tourism Kelowna Visitor Centre is the best place to start if you want local knowledge, printed maps, and recommendations tailored to your visit.

The team there knows the city well and can help you find everything from the nearest coffee shop to the best viewpoint in the valley.

Address: 238 Queensway, Kelowna, BC

Phone Number: 250-861-1515

E-mail: info@tourismkelowna.com

Hours of Operation: Open daily, 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Website: tourismkelowna.com/contact/visitor-centre/

THINGS TO DO

July in Kelowna is something special. The days are long, the lake is warm, and the city has a particular energy that builds through the summer season. When you have time away from the competition, there is plenty worth exploring.

For more trip inspiration, visit the [Tourism Kelowna website](#).





CHECKLIST:

- ☐ Read this Guide to the Games
- ☐ Access the BC GAMES PARTICIPANT WEBSITE using the login information sent to you by email to complete the following conditions of entry by July 15 at 4:00 pm:
 - MEDICAL/ALLERGY FORM
 - CULTURE OF THE GAMES MODULE
 - BC GAMES WAIVER AND CODE OF CONDUCT

WHAT TO PACK?

- ☐ Copy of travel itinerary and emergency contact information
- ☐ Sleeping bag and pillow
- ☐ Personal items (soap, toothbrush, medication, ear plugs, etc.)
- ☐ Sport related equipment
- ☐ Weather appropriate clothing and other essentials (hat, sunscreen, etc.)
- ☐ Bathing suit, towel, and shower shoes
- ☐ Water bottle
- ☐ Snacks for travel and while at the Games
- ☐ Money for merchandise and extra snacks at the Games

Make sure to clearly identify all your personal belongings!

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Have questions? [See the FAQ section at bcgames.org.](#)

Need more info? [Contact your head coach through your Zone Rep or Provincial Advisor.](#)

BC GAMES SOCIETY
250-387-1375
participantreg@bcgames.org



BC Games-issued luggage tags will be provided at your departure point. You will receive one luggage tag per bag. You are allowed to bring ONE checked bag (max. 125 cm dimensions and max. 30lbs weight), and ONE carry-on bag/backpack (max. 72cm dimensions and max. 22lbs weight), plus your pillow. Select sports are permitted additional baggage for sport-specific equipment. Items like prescription medications, glasses, keys, jacket, and/or fragile or valuable items should be packed in your carry-on bag as you may not have access to your checked bag until you reach your accommodation site. Please be sure ALL bags are labelled with your NAME, SPORT, ZONE, HOMETOWN, and BUS/FLIGHT NUMBER.

HEALTH & WELLNESS



MEDICAL CLINIC

Valeo Health Clinic

medical@bcwintergames.ca

All participants are expected to complete the Medical/Allergy Form prior to arriving at the Games. Access this form is through the BC GAMES PARTICIPANT WEBSITE. This form must be submitted by **July 15 at 4:00 pm**; it cannot be completed at the Games.

Participants are expected to monitor their health while at the Games. If any participant requires medical attention, they are to notify their coach, who is to contact the Medical Clinic.

MEDICAL SERVICES

BC Summer Games medical volunteers are responsible for the treatment of all Games participants. A dedicated and caring team of first responders and health care professionals will have an active presence at the Games to address the needs of athletes, coaches, and officials.

MEDICAL SERVICES INCLUDE:

- On-site medical volunteers at all sport venues during practice and competition times.
- Access to physician, physiotherapist, athletic therapist, dentist, optometrist, and counsellor care.
- Medical services will be available by telephone for after-hours (non-official training/competition times) medical concerns.

PERSONAL HEALTH TOOLKIT

There are many tools that can help protect you and your teammates from illnesses and communicable diseases. It is up to each participant to make use of these tools to ensure we keep one another safe while at the Games.



The Games are a mask-friendly environment. Wearing a mask is a personal choice. No one should be made to feel as though they are being judged for their choice – respecting one another's personal comfort levels is imperative.



Wash your hands with soap and water and use hand sanitizer often, such as before eating and after being in public spaces or after handling shared objects.

Dress for the weather, drink lots of water, get adequate rest, eat well, and rest often in shade or an air-conditioned facility when not competing. It can get very hot in summer in Kelowna.



The health and well-being of participants is of utmost importance while at the BC Summer Games. The ability of each athlete to participate in their sport over the long-term takes precedence over their ability to compete at the current Games. Venue medical volunteers will assess athlete injuries onsite. If an initial injury assessment indicates a possible reason for removal from competition, the Venue medical volunteer with the highest level of certification will request a consult from a Physician/Nurse Practitioner at the Medical Clinic. A full medical assessment will be completed and a decision on whether or not to remove an athlete from competition will be rendered, as per the **Athlete Removal from Competition Due to Injury policy**.

RESOURCES FOR SUPPORT

Therapy Dogs

Pacific Assistance Dog Society (PADS) Therapy Dogs will be on site at the BC Summer Games to provide comfort to participants in need for the first time.

PADS breeds, raises and trains fully certified assistance dogs. Their service (mobility & PTSD) and hearing dogs provide life-changing independence to those with disabilities. PADS' accredited facility dogs work with professionals, such as teachers, RCMP officers and psychologists to help support healthy communities.

To learn more about PADS and their services, visit www.pads.ca



Foundry BC and the BC Games Society

Through a partnership with the BC Games Society, Foundry BC is here to remind youth that sometimes the strongest thing someone can do is to seek support.

Foundry BC offers free mental health and wellness services to youth aged 12-24 and their caregivers at centres across BC and virtually through the Foundry BC app. Youth can access counselling, peer support, physical & sexual healthcare, groups & workshops, and employment & education services by walking into a Foundry centre or by downloading the Foundry BC app. All of Foundry's services are free and confidential – no referrals are required!



PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION

Provincial Sport Organizations are tasked with registering participants who have qualified for the Games.

Participants can expect to receive an email confirming their registration with further information regarding their participation in the Games. This email will contain details on how to access the BC GAMES PARTICIPANT WEBSITE.

Participants **MUST COMPLETE** all conditions of entry by **July 15 at 4:00 pm**, which include:

- BC Games Waiver and Code of Conduct
- Medical/Allergy Form
- Culture of the Games Module



Additionally, participants are encouraged to complete the following:

- Review and confirm their demographic Info (name, address, school, ancestry, secondary email address, etc.),
- Share their story by completing their Participant Biography
- Download and/or print their travel itinerary,
- Download their Certificate of Participation,

If you have not received the email confirming your registration by July 3, please contact the BC Games Society office by email:

participantreg@bcgames.org

TRAVEL

KELOWNA

View your personal travel itinerary through the **BC GAMES PARTICIPANT WEBSITE**, accessed using the login information sent by email. If you have lost your password or have not received this email by July 3, contact participantreg@bcgames.org.

Your travel itinerary outlines how you will get to Kelowna and back home again. Please read it thoroughly and print a copy for quick reference.

If you miss your bus or flight, it is your responsibility to get yourself to the Games, at your own expense.

Some participants may have opted out of Games travel and will be travelling as “Own Travellers”.



Please wear your seatbelt when travelling on the bus or plane!

TEAM TRAVEL

To ensure the safety and supervision of athletes during travel to and from the BC Games, zone teams travel together on Games transportation (buses/flights) throughout the province, departing from and returning to central locations. This ensures that every athlete is supervised by a registered adult (head coach, assistant coach, or adult supervisor) from the time they board a bus/flight until the time they arrive at their destination.

Participants must provide their own transportation to/from the selected pick-up/drop-off location(s). It may be the case that assigned pick-up/drop-off location(s) are not the closest to a participant's home, however, they must be adhered to for the safety and proper supervision of athletes.

PREPARE FOR A LONG TRIP

All participants travelling on BC Games transportation are scheduled to arrive in Kelowna on Wednesday, July 22. To arrive on time, you may begin and/or end your journey late at night or early in the morning.

Pack a meal for your travel to Kelowna, as you may not have an opportunity to stop for food on route to the Games.

Travel to the Games can be long and tiring, so plan to get plenty of rest prior to departure and use the time to prepare, mentally and physically, for the Games experience.

GAMES RELEASE FORM

To ensure the safety of athletes, any athlete departing the Games early (i.e., Saturday evening or because of injury or illness) must complete a **Games Release Form** so that their coach and Provincial Advisor are aware.

GETTING AROUND KELOWNA

All athletes and coaches are required to stay in Games accommodation. Buses will take you to your sport venue, meals, and other events. Refer to the Bus & Meal Schedule distributed at the Games. It is critical that you are at your pick-up location at the designated time so that you don't miss the bus.

Officials will be serviced by the volunteer courtesy vehicles to and from accommodation sites and sport venues. Please contact the courtesy vehicle dispatch at the Games to plan and book your rides in advance. The courtesy vehicle dispatch number will be available at the Games.

TRAVEL HOME

Games departures will occur on Sunday, July 26. Please refer to your Bus & Meal Schedule, as well as your personal travel itinerary for details. Departure plans will vary by sport. Participants travelling home on charter flights will board buses from the Departures Area for their transfer to the Kelowna Airport. Do not travel directly to the airport as the public terminal is not being used. Parents picking up their athletes at the end of the Games can make plans to pick up athletes from their accommodation site or sport venue (depending on the sport).



ARRIVALS & PARTICIPANT ACCREDITATION

Arriving by Bus: Zones 1, 3 - 6, 7 East & 8 South

- Your bus will arrive in Kelowna and go directly to the Participant Accreditation Centre. Upon arrival you will unload your luggage and place it designated areas for your sport. You will then go through the accreditation process and take a bus to dinner.
- After dinner, you will be bused back to the Participant Accreditation Centre where you will load your luggage and take a shuttle to your accommodation site.

Immediate Vicinity: Zone 2

- Participants in Zone 2 are expected to transport themselves to Games. A specific arrival time will be assigned to Zone 2. Participants will contact their Zone Coach or Provincial Advisor to be advised of their arrival time to the Participant Accreditation Centre (Trinity Church).

Own Transportation

- Participants who choose to transport themselves to Games are expected to arrive at the same time as their Zone Team. Participants will contact their Zone Coach or Provincial Advisor to coordinate their arrival time to the Participant Accreditation Centre (Trinity Church).
- Officials must connect with their Provincial Advisor to receive their accreditation badge.

Arriving by Plane: Zones 7 West & 8 North

- Participants will board flights from their respective communities bound for Kelowna.
- You will be bused from the airport to the Participant Accreditation Centre. Upon arrival you will unload your luggage and place it designated areas for your sport. You will then go through the accreditation process and take a bus to dinner.
- After dinner, you will be bused back to the Participant Accreditation Centre where you will load your luggage and take a shuttle to your accommodation site.

Your accreditation badge is required to access Games venues and contains important Games information.

ACCREDITATION BADGE

You must wear your Games badge at all times in order to access your accommodation site, food venue, events, buses, and other services.



SPORT SCHEDULE

Provides the times and locations of your sport competition and practices.



BUS & MEAL SCHEDULE

Provides a schedule of your meals and when buses will transport you while at the Games.



Officials staying outside of Games accommodation should contact their Provincial Advisor for confirmation on how they will be accredited.

GAMES ACCOMMODATION

All Games participants under the age of 19 must stay in Games accommodation.

Schools in Kelowna have been converted into suitable dormitories for an enjoyable Games experience, thanks to the tireless work of volunteers and a collaborative partnership with School District 23. Dorm room assignments are done by sport, zone, and gender. A foam mattress will await all Games participants – don't forget to pack your sleeping bag and pillow!

SUPERVISION

Head coaches, assistant coaches, and adult supervisors are expected to travel on Games transportation with their athletes, stay in Games accommodation with their team, and supervise athletes throughout the Games. Head coaches, assistant coaches, and adult supervisors, along with each individual athlete, are responsible for the actions of their team.

CAMERA USE POLICY

Participants are expected to respect the privacy of others and avoid using cameras in vulnerable settings at the Games (e.g., dorm rooms, change rooms, bathrooms, etc.).

SHOWERS

Shower facilities will be available at either your sport venue or accommodation site, with transportation provided if an alternate location is required. Capacity is limited, so please be efficient and coaches should coordinate schedules to allow time for both athletes and coaches. Participants may wish to bring a bathing suit for comfort. Please pack your own toiletries and towel, and be respectful of others while keeping the space clean.



ACCESS TO ACCOMMODATION

Only participants assigned to a particular accommodation site are permitted access to dorms, and then ONLY to their assigned dorm room. Please respect the privacy of others and do not enter rooms not assigned to you.

Friends or family staying in other accommodation options will not be permitted into accommodation sites or dorm rooms.



Curfew is 11:00 pm for all participants, including adults. Some coaches may establish an earlier curfew. All participants staying in Games accommodation must have their Games badge scanned as a safety check before curfew. Failure to have one's accommodation badge scanned by curfew may result in disciplinary action.



LEAVING ACCOMMODATION

Participants staying in BC Games accommodation are expected to remain in accommodation for the duration of the Games. Anyone who removes themselves from BC Games accommodation prior to the completion of the Games will no longer be eligible to compete, have meals, or take Games transportation back home.

Participants who finish competition prior to the final day of the Games may remove themselves from Games accommodation by having their Provincial Sport Organization Representative complete the **Games Release Form**.



SECURITY

All Games accommodation sites are security-controlled 24-hours per day for your protection. Anyone violating BC Games accommodation rules will be subject to disciplinary action.

Sport venues are serviced by Access Control volunteers during all scheduled practice and competition times.

While security and other volunteers will be available to assist you, you are responsible for all your belongings at sport venues and in Games accommodation.

MEALS

While at the Games, participants will be provided with nutritious and well-rounded meals so they can perform at their highest level.

Breakfast, lunch, dinner, and evening snacks are provided for all participants. Breakfast and dinner will be served at a centralized food venue. Lunches will be ready for pick-up during breakfast for participants to take with them to their sport venue.

Have a food allergy or dietary concern? Be sure to complete the Medical/Allergy Form on the BC GAMES PARTICIPANT WEBSITE by **July 15 at 4:00 pm.**



MEAL TIMES

Each sport will have specific meal times based on their sport schedule. Refer to the Bus & Meal Schedule for your exact meal and bus pick-up times. Participants are expected to adhere to these schedules.

CONCESSIONS

Select venues will have food concession services for participants and spectators throughout the Games.

WATER

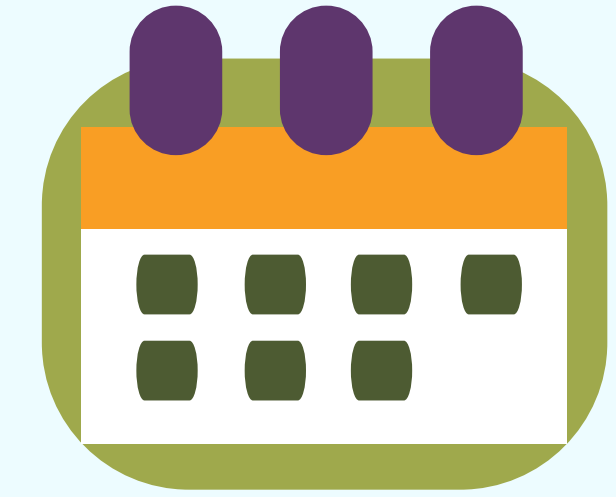
Water re-fill stations will be available at every sport venue; bring a reusable water bottle to stay hydrated.

FOOD ON THE ROAD

Participants should pack a meal and/or snacks for their journey to the Games as it's a long trip. Participants will be provided a grab-and-go lunch for their return trip home.



OVERVIEW OF EVENTS



WEDNESDAY JULY 22

ARRIVALS & ACCREDITATION

- Participant Arrivals
- Participant Accreditation

THURSDAY JULY 23

PRACTICE/COMPETITION

- Practice/Competition
- Opening Ceremony

FRIDAY & SATURDAY JULY 24-25

COMPETITION & SPECIAL EVENTS

- Competition
- Medal Presentations
(if applicable)
- Participant Special Event

SUNDAY JULY 26

DEPARTURE DAY

- Check Out of Accommodation
- Competition
- Medal Presentations
- Closing Celebration
- Bus/Flight Departures

OPENING CEREMONY & SPECIAL EVENTS

OPENING CEREMONY

Prospera Place | Thursday, July 23 | 7:00 - 8:30 pm

The Opening Ceremony is a memorable experience and kicks off what will be an exceptional multi-sport Games experience. The ceremony will feature entertainment acts, participant parade, special guests, and the lighting of the BC Games Cauldron. Participants are encouraged to dress in zone colours. This event is indoors; however, participants will walk or wheel (approx. 15 mins) to the ceremony venue.

PARTICIPANT SPECIAL EVENTS

Friday, July 24 & Saturday, July 25 | 6:00 - 9:30 pm

The Participant Special Events take place Friday and Saturday night, offering games, entertainment, food trucks, and a fun atmosphere for all participants.

These events will be held outdoors.

CLOSING CELEBRATION

Kelowna Senior Secondary School Field

Sunday, July 26 | 11:30 am - 3:00 pm

An informal and brief event is planned to bring the Games to a close and get participants ready for their journey home.

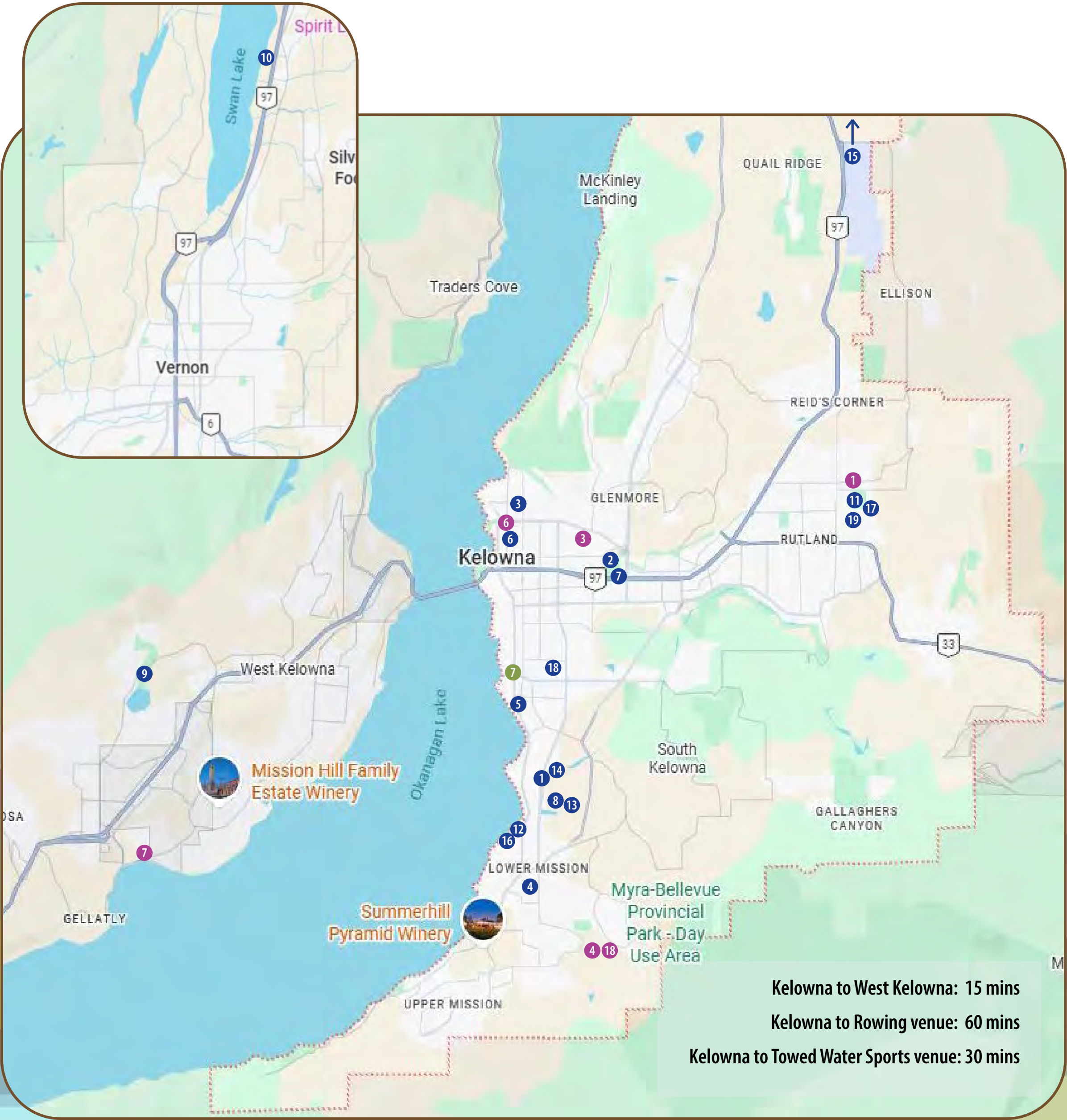
Note: Participants must wear their Games accreditation badge to get into all special events.

Please check your Bus & Meal Schedule for transportation information to/from these events.



SPORTS IN THE GAMES

SPORT	SPORT VENUE
1. Artistic Swimming	H2O Adventure + Fitness Centre / Kelowna Family YMCA
2. Athletics	Apple Bowl Stadium
3. Baseball	Elks Stadium / Lombardi Park
4. Basketball	Okanagan Mission Secondary / Canyon Falls Middle
5. Beach Volleyball	Boyce-Gyro Beach Park
6. Box Lacrosse	Kelowna Memorial Arena / Prospera Place
7. Canoe/Kayak	Parkinson Recreation Centre / Gellatly Bay / Kelowna Paddle Centre
8. Field Lacrosse	Mission Recreation Park (Field M15)
9. Golf	Shannon Lake Golf Club
10. Rowing	Vernon Rowing and Dragon Boat Club (Swan Lake)
11. Rugby	Rutland Recreation Park (Field R3)
12. Sailing	Central Okanagan Sailing Association
13. Softball	Mission Recreation Park (Kinsmen Softball Complex)
14. Swimming	H2O Adventure + Fitness Centre
15. Towed Water Sports	Turtle Lodges Resort (Ellison/Duck Lake)
16. Triathlon	Sarsons Beach Park
17. Ultimate	Rutland Recreation Park (Fields R2 & R4)
18. Volleyball	Kelowna Secondary / Canyon Falls Middle
19. Wrestling	Rutland Senior Secondary



SPORT INFORMATION

Competition at the BC Summer Games is delivered in partnership with Provincial and Disability Sport Organizations (PSOs and DSOs) and local sport clubs. Provincial Advisors, or PSO representatives, provide oversight and competition standards appropriate for each sport's long term development pathway. Sport Chairs are the local sport club leads who help prepare the venue, train sport volunteers, and implement the event competition.

PRACTICE TIMES

The Provincial Advisor for your sport may have arranged for one or more of the following on Thursday, July 23:

- a full practice at the competition venue for your sport
- a tour of your competition venue
- a clinic or seminar at your competition venue or accommodation site

Refer to your Bus & Meal Schedule and Sport Schedule, which you will receive when you arrive at the Games.

COMPETITION

Most competition will begin on Friday, July 24 and will conclude no later than noon on Sunday, July 26. Sport competition schedules are managed by your Provincial Sport Organization.

MEDAL PRESENTATIONS

Medal Presentations will take place at each sport venue following competition. Refer to the Sport Schedule for exact timing.



THANKS COACH!

All successful sport experiences start with a coach. Coaches are integral to all sports at the BC Summer Games and the Games simply would not be possible without qualified, committed, and passionate coaches.

All coaches at the BC Summer Games are:

- Screened and approved by their Provincial Sport Organization.
- Committed to pursuing certification from national coaching programs in accordance with their sport's coach development pathway.
- Responsible for supervising their athletes and creating a safe environment at the Games.
- Passionate about their sport and creating opportunities for athletes.

Check out the [coach resource page](#) for more tips, tricks and FAQ's of the role of coaches and adult supervisors at a multi-sport Games.

FOLLOW THE ACTION

There are lots of ways to connect with us and follow the action at the BC Summer Games!

SPECTATORS

Friends, family, and supporters are an important part of the support system for athletes and coaches. While all venues are free to spectators, some events may have limited spectator seating and/or parking.

ON TV AND IN PRINT

Global BC news programs and globalnews.ca/bc will be featuring special stories and interviews during the Games.

Read all about the Games in print or online through the Black Press network of community papers. Visit blackpressmedia.com for more info.



JOIN THE CONVERSATION

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram
[@bcsummergames.ca](https://www.facebook.com/bcsummergames.ca) and [@bcgamecommunity](https://www.instagram.com/bcgamecommunity).
Use #BCSummerGames!



PHOTOS

Volunteer photographers will be at venues capturing the best moments of the BC Summer Games. All the best action shots, team photos, and medal moments will be made available to you for FREE at bcgames.smugmug.com!



QUICK LINKS

The Quick Links Site is the home for everything happening at the BC Summer Games! Learn more at [BCGAMES.ORG](https://bcgames.org)

DID YOU KNOW?

The BC Summer Games can generate over \$1 million in economic impact for a community!

This information is important for communities as they consider bidding to host a future BC Winter or BC Summer Games.

To help measure the economic impact of the Kelowna 2026 BC Summer Games, we will be conducting brief in-person surveys with spectators at venues throughout the Games. The surveys will gather information such as where attendees have travelled from, where they are staying, how much they are spending, and their overall event experience and satisfaction.

All information collected will be used solely for the economic impact assessment and will not be shared for any other purpose. We appreciate your participation, as it will help us evaluate the impact of the Games and support planning for future events.

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Kelowna
2026 BC Summer Games
MERCHANDISE COLLECTION!



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Visit our merchandise page at
bcsummergames.ca for more
information about where to shop
at the 2026 BC Summer Games!

**PLAY
COMPETE
INSPIRE**

BC GAMES COLLECTION



PARTICIPANT RECOGNITION

BC GAMES LEADERSHIP BURSARY

Athletes, youth coaches, and officials taking part in the BC Summer Games are invited to apply for the BC Games Leadership Bursary. This bursary aims to recognize participants under 19 years of age who have achieved in academics and sport while going above and beyond in their communities through leadership and volunteer activities.

Sixteen \$500 bursaries (2 per Zone) will be awarded to support recipients' future sport or educational pursuits.

▶ **APPLY NOW**

APPLICATION DEADLINE:
July 6, 2026

CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

Participating in the BC Games is a major accomplishment to be proud of! You can download your certificate through the [BC GAMES PARTICIPANT WEBSITE](#).

SCHOOL CREDITS

Did you know that students may be eligible for credits towards secondary school graduation for their participation in the BC Summer Games? Visit the [Ministry of Education and Child Care website](#) for a list of eligible sports. If eligible, contact your Provincial Sport Organization to obtain a letter for your credit.





**Black
Press
Media**

We believe in the power of the BC Games

In addition to creating development opportunities for athletes, coaches, officials and volunteers in communities across British Columbia, the BC Games creates lifelong memories, builds new and lasting friendships and fosters a sense of community spirit and pride through sports and volunteerism for countless British Columbians. Get up-to-date coverage on your favourite athletes and latest results in print and online.

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blackpressmedia.com

SPORT PARTNERS

The BC Games Society would like to acknowledge the following organizations for their ongoing partnership and support of the BC Games. The considerable expertise accessed through these partnerships is instrumental in building valuable sport development opportunities through the Games.

