



MEMO – Samoa IVF World Distance Championship

Dear Area Coordinators,

Thank you all those who have registered your entries by the 10th April. You can view entries here <http://www.ivfiv.org/view-entries.html>

We are excited to have 26 countries registered so far!

We hope you are all progressing well with the registration of paddlers and preparations for the IVF World Distance Championships coming up in August. It is going to be an exciting event and we are all looking forward to it.

Within this memo there is some important information, please read it carefully and contact us should you have any questions.

1. Divisions with only 1 entry

Currently the following divisions only have 1 entry:

- M75 Women V6
- M75 Men V6
- M80 Women V1
- Para Women V1 VL4

There must be 2 entries in order for there to be a race. We would very much like to see these events take place. If any member Federations would like to still enter in these divisions we will accept further entries (without late fee) until 30 April. Please contact admin@ivfiv.org. After 30 April if these divisions still only have 1 entry we will inform those federations that have entered and withdraw these divisions from the competition.

2. Draft Schedule

Please see attached the draft race schedule. Please review and contact admin@ivfiv.org if you have any questions.

Note: that while the schedule is draft it may change. The final schedule may also change during the week of competition depending on weather and conditions and Saturday 19th August will be kept as a makeup day should it be required.

3. Paddler Registration - For new paddlers not already in the System*

**If a paddler has previously raced at a World Championship you can search for them by name*

Paddler registration and verification is open at this stage in the process. Please establish your paddlers' information on the registration site, load photographs and submit passport verification documents to vaa.verify@gmail.com

All paddlers to be included should be in the system by the **10 May close of registration deadline**.

The status of each person is noted on the MEMBER tab. Missing photo, not verified, are all noted. All paddlers at this event are considered Elite.

The system will calculate your final head count and billing amount.

It is NOT required that your paddlers be included in team entries.

Reserve paddlers and area coordinators are not charged unless changed to an elite paddler, However if they are replacing a registered paddler that withdraws the entry fee for the withdrawing paddler can be transferred to the reserve.

Please be sure to check for expired photos – the system is now more than 10 years old and photos will expire and need to be refreshed (juniors at 5 years, adults at 10 years). Remember, no hats, no sunglasses, head and shoulders only photos. For tips on taking ID Photos, please read this article <http://www.wakaama.co.nz/stories/read/1003104>

Please contact vaa.verify@gmail.com should you have any questions with this area.

4. ANTI DOPING

The IVF Anti doping policy is available on our website <http://www.ivfiv.org/anti-doping.html>

Any paddler who is participating in the World Distance Championship and is 18 years old or older, may be subject to in-competition drug testing.

Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) forms are due to the IVF Medical Committee 70 days (24 May) prior to the event. TUE Forms can be downloaded from the IVF Website <http://www.ivfiv.org/anti-doping.html> Forms should be sent by the Area Co-ordinator of the Member Federation, not by individual participants. TUE forms can be received by the Medical Committee medical@ivfiv.org anytime up to the **24th May 2023**.

5. EVENT ENTRIES

V6 – As each country only has 1 entry per V6 division, the team will be known by the country name.

For V1 events, you must select a paddler from the roster as the competitor. You will not be able to set the paddler name until they are in the Member roster.

After selecting Edit, the list of **eligible** paddlers from your country roster will appear to select.

2023 IVF VA'A WORLD DISTANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Event: Open Men V1 (15-18km)

Name	ID Card	Age Division (2023)
<input type="radio"/> ABBOTT, Matt		Master 40 Men
<input type="radio"/> BERRY, Chris		Master 60 Men
<input type="radio"/> BROADWOOD, Blake		Open Men

Identification of the 6 intended to participate in a crew is NOT required on the registration web site. It is a useful tool for coaches and area coordinators and can be downloaded using the link on the Entries page; however, the final crew list for the team is created by check-in at the event.

6. FEES

After the 10th May the IVF Treasurer will issue your Federation with an invoice for the total amount owing. Please pay upon receipt of invoice. The fee is \$150 US Dollars per paddler

Please note: The IVF *will not* accept individual paddler payments. We will only accept payment from the IVF Member area/country via wire transfer, Stripe, or bank check in US Dollars. Payment information will be on the invoice.

Changes to team entries after 10th April incur a \$100US fee (Withdrawals and addition)

Paddler registration closes on 10th May, additional paddlers after 10 May will incur a \$150US late fee.

7. RACING UNIFORMS

Team racing uniforms must not carry sponsors logos.

The only company logo permitted is the brand or mark of the uniform garment which can appear as a small logo on one side of the chest (For example Nike, Adidas). Country name and country symbols/logo may appear anywhere on the racing uniform. All teams and paddlers are representing Member countries and this should be reflected in racing uniform.

8. EVENT LOGO

No paddler, team or member Federation is permitted to use the official event logo or official event graphics on their uniform designs or for any other purpose . Please contact SOCA for any information regarding the official event logo events@samoayoutrigger.com

9. EVENT NAME

The following event names may be used:

IVF World Distance Championship (YEAR AT BEGINNING OR END)

Or

International Va'a Federation World Distance Championship (YEAR AT BEGINNING OR END)

Or

IVF Va'a World Distance Championship (YEAR AT BEGINNING OR END)

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International Va'a Federation World Distance Championship (YEAR AT BEGINNING OR END)

The location is: Samoa

10. EVENT WEBSITE

The Event website is <https://samoayoutrigger.com/ivf-2023/> . On this link you will find information regarding the event, activities accommodation and much more. Please contact events@samoayoutrigger.com directly regarding accommodation and logistics queries.

11. AREA CO-ORDINATOR ROLE DESCRIPTION

Several countries have asked us for a description of what the Area Co-ordinators role is. We have put together the attached document that outlines the key roles and responsibilities. The document is a guide only and each country may choose to adapt the role as they see fit. We hope this is helpful and we would be happy to receive feedback from member federations.

Should you have any questions please contact admin@ivfiv.org

Sincerely,



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