
2021 KCCC Frequently Asked Questions

Challenge Manager

What is the last day participants can sign-up in Challenge Manager?

The last day for participants to sign-up in Challenge Manager, accept the 2021 waiver, and therefore be eligible to participate in the upcoming season is March 25, by 5PM. After this time, participants will NOT be eligible to participate in the upcoming season but can still volunteer for your company.

Divisions

With the reduced number of companies participating, how will the Division breaks occur?

To date, we have just over 70 companies registered to compete in the upcoming 2021 season. Understandably, this number is substantially lower than the 225 teams we've welcomed in previous years. With this number, we are expecting approximately four divisions of competition (compared to our usual 9). Divisions will be broken down into like-sized companies, just as has been done in the past.

Scheduling

Why does the KCCC Office not release which day men and women will play for an event prior to March 25?

The unique 2021 season is a great example of why the KCCC Office does not post gender-specific schedules earlier than March 25. It's quite possible that we may be able to get the entire tournament completed on Saturday. Once the event participation deadline passes on March 4, we will have a better idea of how many teams are involved. Even though we state that schedules will be posted by March 25, we like to get those posted as soon as the Games Director have them complete which hopefully helps the participants with planning.

5K

How will the line-up for this event be managed to keep everyone safe?

Although the number of 5K participants has not been reduced per team, with the overall reduction of participating companies, we are looking at about 30% of normal capacity. In previous years, this event has hosted 3,500 participants; we are expecting about 1,100 in 2021. The event will now only be one day due to this reduction in numbers. Start times will vary based on age groups. Our tentative schedule includes the 60+ men and women starting at 7am with the next group starting at approximately 8:30am. There will be 3-4 different starts with groups not exceeding 600 participants at a time. The starting line will still have wave starts based on approximate finish time (similar to previous years) and there will be distancing markers in the starting corral to serve as indicators for proper social distancing. Waves will be called up to the starting line by the on-site emcee. Athletes will be required to keep their face coverings on until they begin their race and to put them back on immediately after completing their race. Additionally, no spectators will be allowed at the event. KCCC staff, volunteers, and members of the Board of Directors will work together at the start line to ensure proper social distancing among participants.

Basketball Skills Competition

Will the balls be sanitized between competitors?

All staff and volunteers will always wear masks and have packs with sanitizing materials with them: tissues, hand sanitizer, gloves, first aid. Hand sanitizer will be placed where staff are manning stations: check-in, etc. Although the ball will not be sanitized between competitors, participants will have the ability to sanitize their hands after the event.

Basketball Skills Competition (cont.)

Who will ensure that when teams are done competing they leave the building rather than sticking around to watch others?

KCCC staff, Ambassadors, members of the Board of Directors, and volunteers will ensure that teams vacate the facility after the completion of their event. It will also be communicated prior to event day that no spectators will be allowed.

Bike Race

Can you clarify how the starting line will be operated?

The event will begin with a rolling start. Once athletes have checked in and parked, they'll make their way to the starting line. We will not be lining up in numerical order as we have in years past. So once an athlete is on the track, they'll begin their race. Athletes will still check in and ride based on a scheduled time frame for their age group. Once athletes have completed their ride, they'll be instructed to pack up and leave the venue. Results will not be made available onsite and will not be available until at least the following day on the KCCC website. As far as athlete spacing is concerned, a bike is approximately 6 feet long. Signage will be placed around the venue stating to line up in single file lines. The event will constantly flow this year rather than waiting on a whole age group to arrive before starting the race. Face coverings are required to be worn prior to and immediately following the completion of the event. They may be removed at the starting line.

Do the racers wear masks until they get to the starting line?

Participants are required to wear masks at all times, except when actively participating in the event. Bikers will be required to wear masks/face coverings until the starting line. Immediately upon completion however, athletes will wear their mask. Staff, volunteers and spectators are required to wear masks at all times.

Bowling

How will the companies be spread-out at the bowling alleys?

The host facilities of the KCCC bowling tournament have redesigned the experience to allow for participants to maintain proper social distancing. In some instances, furniture has been removed to create more space. KCCC staff, volunteers, board members, etc., will monitor closely to ensure appropriate distancing at all times.

Will food and beverages be sold at these events?

Food and beverage will be allowed for purchase at the bowling venues.

Dodgeball

How will the teams be spread out in the venue? In the past, we know that this event has been very crowded (even without spectators).

With fewer companies participating in 2021 (approx. 30% of previous years), we are confident that we will be able to safely maintain distancing among teams throughout the duration of the event (May 10 – 13). KCCC staff, volunteers, board members, etc., will monitor closely to ensure teams are vacating the facility once their competition has concluded.

What will the teams do when they are not playing but waiting for their next game?

KCCC staff, volunteers, board members, etc., will monitor closely to ensure teams are properly social distancing as they await their next game.

Golf

Will each participant be provided their own cart?

For our 2021 tournament, golfers will be paired up in golf carts but must wear a mask the entire time. Additionally, each night the carts are sterilized/power washed.

Kickball

How will the brackets be managed in order to ensure everyone is staying away from others? Will the teams be required to return to their cars until it is time for them to play again?

With fewer companies participating in 2021 (approx. 30% of previous years), we are confident that we will be able to safely maintain distancing among teams throughout the duration of the event. Homefield is also a large facility and will allow for proper spacing. KCCC staff, volunteers, board members, etc., will monitor closely to ensure teams are vacating the facility once their competition has concluded.

Softball

How will the brackets be managed in order to ensure everyone is staying away from others? Will the teams be required to return to their cars until it is time for them to play again?

With fewer numbers of participating companies, we are confident that the outdoor venue can safely accommodate the need for proper social distancing between games.

Will the players be forced to wear masks when in the dugout?

At this time, players are required to wear masks/face coverings while in the dugout.

No containers are allowed in the dugout but can employees bring bottles of water and put them outside of the dugout?

At this time, water bottles are allowed, however, no coolers or outside food will be allowed inside the venue.

Pickleball

Will masks be required at all times for this event, since it could be indoors or outdoors dependent on the court?

All athletes, volunteers, and staff will be required to wear masks at all times during the event, unless facility guidelines specify otherwise.

How will the bracket be managed to ensure people are not hanging out; especially in this venue?

With fewer numbers of participating companies, we are confident that this venue can safely accommodate the need for proper social distancing between games. Additionally, KCCC staff, volunteers, and board members will closely monitor the situation to ensure that capacity limits are being maintained.

Punt, Pass and Kick Competition

Will the football be disinfected between participants?

All staff and volunteers will always wear masks and have packs with sanitizing materials with them: tissues, hand sanitizer, gloves, first aid. Hand sanitizer will be placed where staff are manning stations: check-in, etc. Although the ball will not be sanitized between competitors, participants will have the ability to sanitize their hands after the event.

Track

How will this event be managed to keep everyone distanced? This event brings a lot of competitors per company.

At this time, we are anticipating approximately 300 – 350 participants per night over a 5-hour time frame. Participants are required to wear masks at all times, except when actively participating in the event. Immediately upon completion, however, athletes will wear their mask. KCCC staff, volunteers, and board members will work to ensure proper social distancing is maintained while athletes prepare for their events.

Tug of War

Will there be assigned locations for each team with an area big enough to allow distancing while teams are waiting for their pull?

We have secured Shawnee Mission Beach Volleyball as the facility for the tug event. The layout of this facility will allow KCCC staff to manage the number of participants per court. This is a large facility that will allow for proper social distancing. The PA system at the facility will also allow for announcements to be made in a way that will allow for teams to further distance themselves in the parking lot.

Volleyball

How will the bracket be managed to ensure that teams are not unnecessarily waiting around to play?

The bracketing for the volleyball event will be setup in a way that teams will play back-to-back while in pool play. The remainder of the tournament will be single elimination so that teams can vacate the facility once finished with their competition. The size of the facility will also allow for proper social distancing.