Competition Invitation

Canadian Masters Championship

2nd stage of the CANAM series

Quebec Cup 2

(Quebec team Canada Games and Canadian Championships selection)

Estrie Cup 2

January 20 to 24 2027

La Patrie Biathlon Center

OBJECT: **COMPETITION INVITATION**

Location 191, route 257 sud, La Patrie, Québec, J0B 1Y0

ÉVENTS – Canadian Masters Championship, 3rd stage of the CANAM series,
Quebec Cup 2, Estrie Cup 2

COMPETITION COMMITTEE:

Chair of the Organizing committee	Virginie Cloutier
Competition Lead	Daniel Harvey, International Referee
Assistant to the Competition lead	Louis-Philippe Harvey, International Referee
Competition Secretary	Donald Villeneuve, Canadian Technical Delegate
Course Lead	Guy Faucher Leader
Range Lead	TBC
Timing Lead	Marco Bouffard, Advance official
Stadium Lead	Mélanie Charest: Canadian TD

Contacts

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- Competition secretary: Donald Villeneuve, 418-933-8175 donville@videotron.ca

Eligibility to Compete:

Competitors from all divisions that are members of Biathlon Canada or US Biathlon will be eligible to participate. Competitors must be ready to show a membership card or otherwise prove their membership for the current year as part of the event registration process.

For Thursday's race, only Masters athletes will be eligible to participate. The Canadian Masters Championship will consist of three races: Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Teams and individual competitors from outside Canada must declare their weapons at the Canadian border, complete the necessary paperwork, and pay the required fees when bringing firearms and ammunition into Canada. Please check the Royal Canadian Mounted Police website and the RCMP Form 5589e (rcmp-grc.gc.ca) for access to the Non-Resident Firearms Declaration. See the appendix for additional details.

Non-residents | Royal Canadian Mounted Police

For more detailed guidance, please refer to the government website

http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/cfp-pcaf/fs-fd/visit-visite-fra.htm

For Canadian citizens in the categories using a firearm (.22), it is mandatory that all athletes have in their possession and be able to show on request their proof of completion of the firearms handling course. For categories carrying the rifle, they must also have on hand the Possession and Acquisition License for firearms or their minor license, issued by the Government of Canada. Every competitor must be a current member of Biathlon Canada and their provincial Federation.

The Quebec Cup is open to all athletes who are regular members of a biathlon club that is part of the FQB. Non-members can take part in the races if they belong to another federation and will be eligible for medals but not for Quebec Cup points.

The Saturday and Sunday races are also part of the Canam series, so they will allow you to earn points in this series. The leader of each category after the Lake Placid races in December will also wear the leader's bib for their category in the Canam circuit.

Alongside the main events, an Estrie Cup will be held. It's actually a recreational activity that will take place after the Sunday race. This activity will be part of the series of events of the Recreational Biathlon Festival of the Quebec Biathlon Federation. So, the event will be open to all members in good standing of the Quebec Federation. For members of the Estrie Outdoor Biathlon Club, registration details will follow in another internal communication for the others, please register in Zone 4 using the registration link for this event. Keep in mind that this activity is open to all age groups but is designed for the younger ones.

People who want to try out biathlon without being a member of the FQB can take part in this activity, but they will need to get an online license before signing up. https://www.biathloncanada.ca/membership.

The electronic rifles will be provided by the FQB and will be available at the shooting range. Some air rifles may be available on-site to accommodate, but arrangements will need to be made in advance with the organizing committee.

REGISTRATIONS

There are 2 registration sites. For the athletes who wants to participate in the Canadian Master Championship, they must be 35+ and must register using the following link:

https://zone4.ca/register.asp?id=43218

For all the other categories that will race on Saturday and/or Sunday, the link for the registration is:

https://zone4.ca/register.asp?id=43231

Note: For USA athletes that are 21-34 and less, you must register in the senior men and women categories for the Saturday and Sunday races and we will manually register you as master 30+ for the Canam has you are 30+

The online registration period on Zone4 starts on **December 18, 2026**, and ends on **Tuesday**, **January 19, 2027**, at noon (Eastern Time).

Please note that starting Sunday, January 17 at 11:59 PM, race fees will increase by $10 per race. For the Quebec Cup and the Canam series, late registrations can be accommodated after the coaches' meeting on Tuesday evening but before Thursday at 12:00 PM Eastern Time. All of this must be done by email with the competition secretary donville@videotron.ca , with a $30 late fee.

Payment must be made in the Zone4 site by credit card (Visa or Mastercard).

Processing fees apply.

	1 race	**2 races**
From **Monday, January 18** at midnight (Sunday night) to **Tuesday, January 19** at noon	+10.00 $	+20,00 $
For those who are late for the Canam and CQ series, it will be possible to add yourself by email with the competition secretary from Tuesday, January 19 at 12:01 PM to Thursday, January 21 at noon.	+30.00$	+40.00$

Coaches Registration

All coaches will also need to sign up on Zone4 using the link above to get their **pass to the shooting range**. To access the coaches' area at the shooting range, they will need to wear the item identifying them as a coach with a pass.

Before registering, coaches must ensure they meet the safety requirements of Biathlon Canada (for Canadians) or the USBA (for Americans). A background check is required for all coaches and for certain training programs.

For Canadians, the 3 required trainings are:

- Safety in Sport training
- Understanding the Rule of 2
- Creating a Healthy Sport Environment.

These trainings are done online in the coach locker. https://lecasier.coach.ca/.

For coaches in the United States, you will need to confirm the completion of the US Safe Sport training course, which you must complete through "The Center" (https://www.usbiathlon.org/the-center). This training must be renewed annually.

Registration fees

Categories

Competitive Athletes (Mandatory waxing protocol)	**1 race**	**2 races**	**3 races**
❑Open (Men and Women)	55 $	95$	---
❑Juniors (Men and Women) U-21	55 $	95$	---
❑Master (Men and Women) (Adults 1/2/3/4, 35+)	55 $	95$	140$
❑Youth (Men and Women) U-19	55 $	95$	---
❑U-17 (Boys and girls senior) Standing	50 $	90$	---
❑U-17 (Boys and girls senior) Prone	50 $	90$	---
❑Dev 2 (Boys and girls junior U15 pour CQ) .22 (no block)	50 $	90$	---
❑Dev 2 (Boys and girls junior U15 pour CQ) AC (no block)	50 $	90$	---

❑Access to the slopes on January 22, 2027 (included in the fees) / Masters with 3 races also included on January 20

Competitive Athletes (No waxing protocol)	**1 race**	**2 races**
❑Dev 2 (Boys and girls junior U15 pour CQ) Electronic (no block)	45$	75$
❑Dev 1 (Boys and girls Juvenile U13 pour CQ) AC (with block)	35 $	65$
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❑Beginner (Boys and girls U11) AR (with block)	35 $	65$
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❑Initiations, (Boys and girls U9) AR (with block)	35 $	65$
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❑Open Recreational Adults (Electronic or AR)	45$	85$

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AR: Air rifle
Electronic: Écoaims

Male Categories		Distance			Shot / Loop		
		January 21	January 23	January 24	January 21	January 23	January 24
Categories	Description	Individual	Sprint	Pursuit	Individual	Sprint	Pursuit
U11	Festival Sunday						
U11	Electronic		3km	4km		PP / 75m	PPP / 75m
U13 Dev1	Electronic		3km	4km		PP / 75m	PPP / 75m
U13 Dev1	Air rifle		3km	4km		PP / 75m	PPP / 75m
U15 Dev2	Air rifle		4,5km	6km		PP / 75m	PPP / 75m
U15 Dev2	.22		4,5km	6km		PP / 75m	PPP / 75m
U17 Senior	.22 prone only		6km	8 km		PP / 75m	PPP / 75m
U17 Senior	Standing (Prone and Standing)		6km	7,5km		SP / 75m	SSPP / 75m
U19 Youth			7,5km	10km		SP / 150m	SSPP / 150m
U21 Junior			10km	12,5km		SP / 150m	SSPP / 150m
Senior Men	22-29 ans		10km	12,5km		SP / 150m	SSPP / 150m
Senior Men	30-34 ans		10km	12,5 km		SP / 150m	SSPP / 150m
M40 Men	35-39 ans, distance Adult 4	12,5km	7,5km	10km	SPSP / 30sec	SP / 75m	SSPP / 75m
M50 Men	40-49 ans, distance Adult 4	12,5km	7,5km	10km	SPSP / 30sec	SP / 75m	SSPP / 75m
M60 Men	50-59 ans, distance Adult 4	12,5km	7,5km	10km	SPSP / 30sec	SP / 75m	SSPP / 75m
60+ Men	60 ans +, distance Adult 4	12,5km	7,5km	10km	SPSP / 30sec	SP / 75m	SSPP / 75m
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Women's Categories		Distance			Shoot / Loop		
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Categories	Description	Individual	Sprint	Pursuit	Individual	Sprint	Pursuit
U11	Festival Sunday						
U11	Electronic		3km	4km		CC / 75m	PPP / 75m
U13 Dev1	Electronic		3km	4km		CC / 75m	PPP / 75m
U13 Dev1	Air rifle		3km	4km		CC / 75m	PPP / 75m
U15 Dev2	Air rifle		4,5km	6km		CC / 75m	PPP / 75m
U15 Dev2	.22		4,5km	6km		CC / 75m	PPP / 75m
U17 Senior	.22 prone only		6km	8km		CC / 75m	PPP / 75m
U17 Senior	Standing (prone and standing)		6km	7,5km		PS / 75m	PPSS / 75m
U19 Youth			6km	7,5km		PS / 150m	PPSS / 150m
U21 Junior			7,5km	10km		PS / 150m	PPSS / 150m
Senior Women	22-29 years		7,5km	10km		PS / 150m	PPSS / 150m
Senior Women	30-34 years		7,5km	10km		PS / 150m	PPSS / 150m
M40 Women	35-39 years, distance Adult 3	10km	6km	7,5km	PSPS / 30sec	PS / 75m	PPSS / 75m
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Open participatory category for AC or electronic testing (custom race, non-competitive):

For all ages. Distance and air rifle or electronic, as chosen by the participant. No medals for these categories. Will appear on the results sheet but without ranking, all age groups together. The organization will determine the athlete's start time. We can't guarantee they will start with their age group. When registering, please provide your date of birth, preferred course, and the rifle type.

START TIME OF THE EVENTS:

Scheduled for 11 a.m. every day.

Note: The organization reserves the right to change the departure time depending on the weather and the number of registrations.

SANCTION

The competitions are sanctioned by Biathlon Canada and the Quebec Biathlon Federation and are covered by their insurance.

Medals

Medals from the Canadian Masters Championship will be awarded for eligible categories according to Biathlon Canada's policy.

Medals from the Quebec Cup will be given to the top three athletes in each open Quebec Cup category according to FQB policy.

There will be no medals for other categories.

WAXING PROTOCOL AND WAXING CLINIC

We are very happy to have among our partners the company representing Holmenkoll in Canada. They will be on site all weekend to help with the waxing process. In addition to providing a high-level waxing protocol, they can assist you, answer your questions, and show you, their products. Feel free to go and see them. They are passionate people who will be happy to guide you..

The waxing protocol is mandatory for all the competitive categories mentioned earlier. Everything will be done in collaboration with our partner. The skis will need to be dropped off at the main waxing room according to the schedule that will be confirmed during the coaches' meeting.

The skis should be returned scraped. It's possible to put a structure on the skis before returning them.

The skis will be waxed by our partner's team with the help of coaches. Each team will need to provide coaches to help with the ski waxing process. A schedule will be made to assign coaches based on the information provided during registration (number of athletes). This schedule will be confirmed at the team captains' meeting.

BANQUET

A banquet will be held on Saturday, January 23, 2027, at 6:30 PM at the municipal hall of La Patrie located at 18 rue Chartier, La Patrie. A hot meal will be served at the price of about $35.00 and will be indicated when you register in Zone4

Registration for the banquet is done in Zone4 when you sign up, whether you're an athlete, a coach, or a companion.

Since an alcohol permit has been requested, people 18 and over will be able to buy wine and certain spirits on site. In accordance with the permit, **only alcohol purchased on site** can be consumed.

To allow us to estimate the required quantities and to ensure that you get what you want, it will be possible for you, in Zone4, to pre-order your bottle of wine at the price of $20.00.

Fun and surprises on site are guaranteed by the organizing committee, don’t miss it. The draw for the participation prizes for athletes and coaches will take place on site. Attendance is required.

Participants in the Masters Championship who wish to join are welcome from 5:00 PM for a cocktail / aperitif. Registration for this activity will be done in Zone4 and is only possible for athletes in these categories and their coaches.

REPAS ET INFRASTRUCTURES

Given the absence of an on-site cafeteria, the organizing committee is offering you the option to reserve a lunch box for Saturday and Sunday noon meals. This lunch box and the hot soup on the side will be available for $15.

Lunch box reservations are made in Zone4 when you register, whether it's for athletes, coaches, or chaperones.

We will be happy to offer all coaches and athletes a hot soup. However, for environmental reasons and to minimize event waste, this soup will be offered for free only to people who bring their own bowl and spoon.

To help out, we will have a limited number of reusable bowls and spoons available on site for $2 while supplies last.

Hot and cold drinks will also be available for free on site if you bring your own reusable cup or mug.

Again, just to help out, we will have a limited number of reusable cups for hot and/or cold drinks available for $2 while supplies last.

Event schedule

Event Schedule January 20 to 24, 2027

Day	Time	Description
Tuesday	12:00	Zone4 inscription Close
	20:30	Team captains meetinr for all
Wednesday	13:00	Official training Master
	15:00	Ski drop-off for wax protocole race
	16:00	Individual race start list available
Thursday	09:30	Zeroing
	10:30	Individual race master
	11:45	Result
	12:00	Medal ceremony
		Site closed (no soup, drinks only)
		End of late registrations by email
Friday	14:00	Official training for all
	15:30	Ski drop-off for wax protocole race Saturday
	16:30	Ski waxing
	16:00	Sprint race starting list available
Saturday	10:00	Zeroing
	11:00	Sprint race for all
	13:30	Result
	14:00	Medal ceremony
		Ski drop-off for wax protocole race Sunday
	14:30	Waxing clinic
	15:30	Ski waxing
	16:30	Site close
	17:00	Cocktail and appetizers for the Masters
	18:30	Banquet dinner for everyone
Sunday	10:00	Zeroing
	11:00	Pursuit rac for all
	13:00	Festival FQB & Estrie Cup 2
	13:30	Result
	14:15	Fin Festival FQB et Coupe Estrie 1
		Medal ceremony
	15:30	Site close

*The schedule and categories are subject to change due to weather conditions and the number of participants.

The organizing committee reserves the right to modify the event schedule as needed.

Every effort will be made to notify participants of any changes.

REMARKS

Air rifle and Electronics Categories:

the athlete does not carry the rifle during the event. Shooting will be done in the prone position only. The penalty ring is 75 meters. Pellets are not provided. A heated area will be available near the shooting range to warm up the rifles if needed.

Cancelled or postponed event:

the Organizing Committee reserves the right to retain all or part of the registration fees to cover expenses incurred.

Participants in the open category will not receive medals and no points will be added to the Quebec Cup ranking.

The races are recognized by the Quebec Biathlon Federation, and points will be awarded for the 2027 Quebec Cup rankings in accordance with the organization policy.

COMPETITION JURY

Technical Delegate	Stephane Bélanger Canadian TD
Chief od competition	Daniel Harvey (International Referee

The three other members of the jury for the event will be elected during the coaches meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 2027, at 8:30 PM via video conference. (Details to follow)

APPEAL JURY

According to current policies .

PROTEST

Protests will be prepared and submitted to the competition secretariat. A deposit of $50.00 will be required when submitting the protest form. It can be made in cash or by bank transfer to infobiathlonestrie@gmail.com .
The amount will be refunded for any protest upheld by the competition jury. Note that for a refund via bank transfer, administrative fees are to be expected.

RULES

The event will follow the regulations of:

IBU regulations.
FQB Biathlon Event Organization Policy, November 2019 updated.
Procedures at the shooting range for competitors who do not carry their rifles and race organization policy, September 2026.
During competitions, juvenile boys and girls (U13) using air rifles will have to shoot at targets with a diameter of 15 mm. The use of a support is still allowed when shooting for this last category. Children 10 years old and under can use support and will shoot at targets with a diameter of 35 mm. This category is strongly encouraged to register for the FQB Recreational Festival held on Sunday after the races rather than for competitions, in order to promote the long-term development of these young athletes rather than competition.

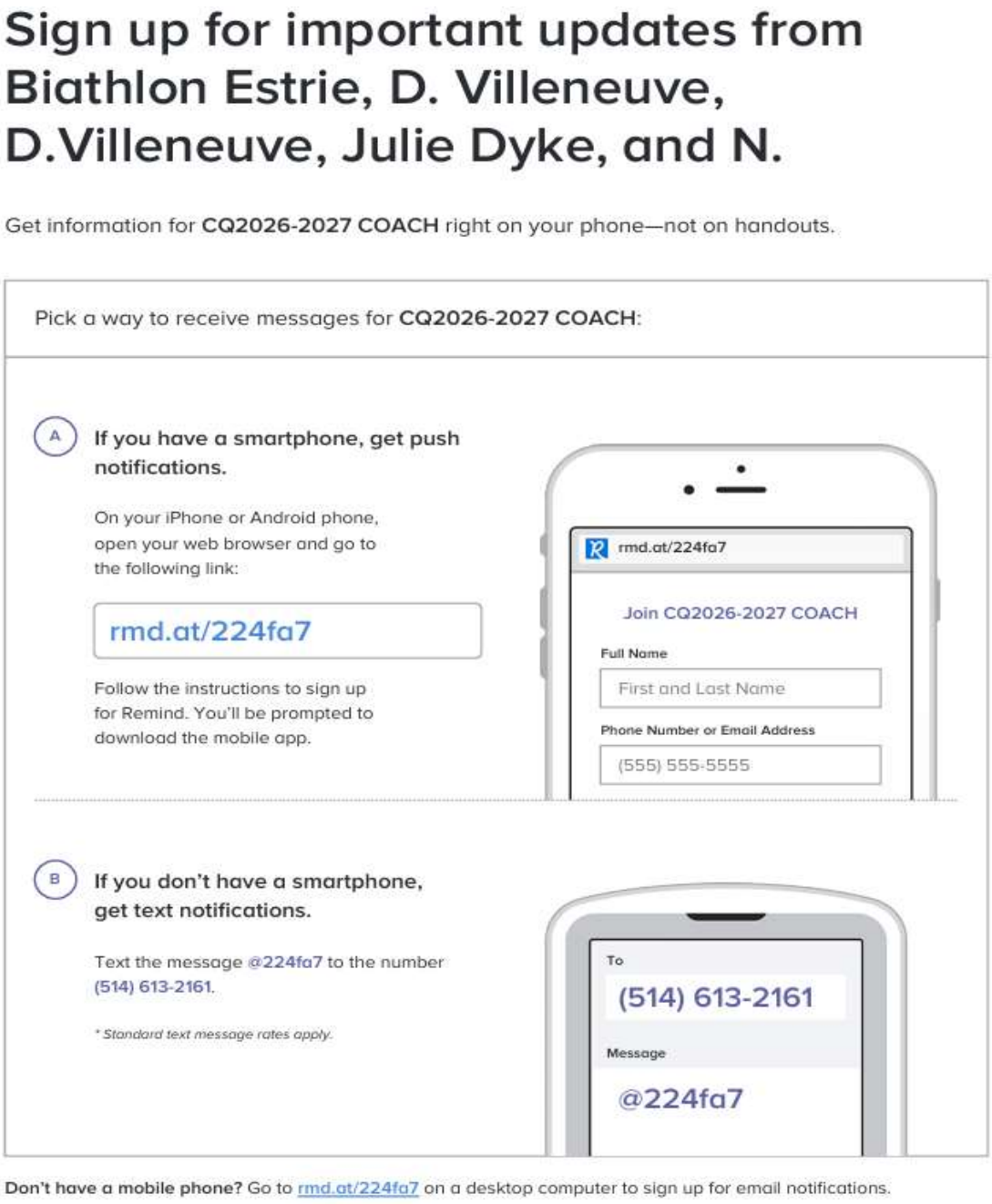
COMMUNICATIONS DURING THE EVENT

The Remind application is free and does use text message will be used to send information about the competition like coaching package, provisional results, final results, jury decisions, schedule change, etc.

We have 2 classes for the 2025-2026 season, one that is reserved for coaches and another that you can share with athletes and parents. Since we need to have a limit on the number of participants in the REMIND classes, a check will be made.

Note: if you were registered for the 2025-2026 season, you are automatically registered for the 2026-2027 season, so there's no need to sign up again.

For the coaches' class, please follow the information in the PDF file attached to this invitation:



For the class reserved for athletes and parents, please follow the information in the PDF file attached to this invitation

Sign up for important updates from Biathlon Estrie, D. Villeneuve, D.Villeneuve, and Julie Dyke.

Get information for **CQ2026-2027 Athletes-parent** right on your phone—not on handouts.

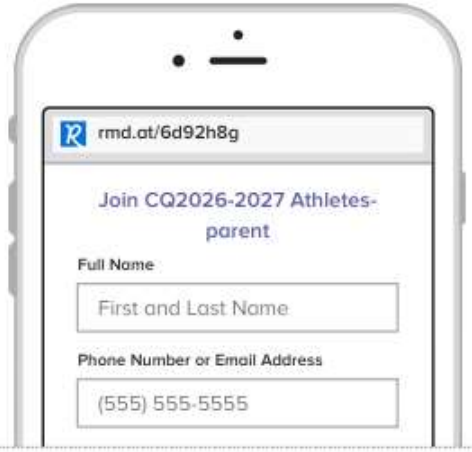
Pick a way to receive messages for **CQ2026-2027 Athletes-parent**:

A **If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.**

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

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Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



B **If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.**

Text the message @6d92h8g to the number (514) 613-2161.

** Standard text message rates apply.*



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