

2021 Iowa Games Rowing Overview

The Iowa Games Rowing event has been growing rapidly. Participation in the Games went from 30 participants in 2013 to 120 participants in 2017. In 2018, we had 160+ athletes.

Our ongoing goal is to embrace and support the growth of rowing in Iowa.

The Iowa Games is the full funding organization for the event. Des Moines Rowing is offering services and resources as the host site at Gray's Lake in Des Moines, Iowa, supported by Danelle Stipes from the University of Iowa.

Each rowing program in the state takes a turn as a host site.

Des Moines Rowing along with the University of Iowa Recreational Services Rowing program has taken over all administrative and day of running of the event.

The event is also a USRowing Sanctioned event, using third party insurance (Iowa Sports Foundation). The registration fee covers USRowing referees and allows them to officiate the event when the host organization is a member of USRowing.

Des Moines Rowing is looking forward to hosting the State Games of America in 2022 at the newly renovated Easter Lake in SE Des Moines. We anticipate rowers from across the country to attend this bi-annual event. Additional information will be forthcoming.

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ParaRowing Classifications (as established by FISA)

PR3:

Rowers who have the use of their legs, trunk, and arms, who can utilize the sliding seat. Rowers may have a physical or visual impairment.

- Limb loss or deficiency, at least full loss of three fingers on one hand, or at least a tarsal metatarsal amputation of the foot,
- Loss of muscle strength e.g. equivalent to incomplete spinal cord injury at S1
- Minimal ataxia, athetosis, hypertonia. E.g. Cerebral Palsy, brain injury, stroke, or MS

PR2:

Rowers who have trunk and arm movement, who are unable to use their legs to propel the sliding seat.

- Limb loss or deficiency equivalent to a double above leg amputation
- Significant muscle strength loss in both legs equivalent to complete spinal cord injury at L3 level or incomplete lesion at L1
- Ataxia, athetosis or hypertonia from CP, brain injury or stroke which affects both legs or one side of the body.

PR1:

Rowers row with their arms and shoulders only. Athletes use strapping around their mid section to provide support and stability in the boat.

- Ataxia, athetosis, or hypertonia from CP, brain injury or stroke who may use a wheelchair or walking aid
- Loss of muscle strength equivalent to complete spinal cord injury at T12 level.

Des Moines Rowing will provide (by appointment only) classification sessions on Friday before the Saturday event.

Estimated Crowd Size: 300

120 - 130 Athletes

7 USRowing Race Officials

20 Volunteers

100 + Spectators

Emergency Weather Plan:

DMR President (Tonya Logan), UI Recreational Services Assistant Director of Rowing (Danelle Stipes) and Head USRowing Official (Andrew Hauser) will make all decisions regarding weather.

Spectators – We will need a solution in case of severe weather – tornado. Most will use cars if raining/storming.

Athletes and Officials – Christine Hensley Terrace is a shelter.