



Lhtako Quesnel 2024 BC Winter Games

External Travel Planning Summary

**Tentative planning document – subject to change (updated September 20, 2023)*

Background

All registered participants who attend the BC Winter or BC Summer Games, except for those who reside in the immediate vicinity of the host community, are provided with the opportunity to travel to the Games on flights or buses chartered by the BC Games Society. This transportation is offered at no additional cost to participants and is one of the major benefits offered to sports who participate in the Games.

Sports are required to select pick-up point information for each participant that they register for the Games. The BC Games Society then works with contractors to plot travel and provide each participant with a travel itinerary detailing their travel arrangements to and from the host community.

To make this transportation network feasible, sports are required to follow the [BC Games Society Team Travel Policy](#) and ensure that a zone coach or adult supervisor is present to supervise participants. Additionally, sports are asked to limit the number of pick-up points selected in each zone for their participants. As a regional zone team, participants are expected to travel from their home community to the pick-up point selected by their sport at their own cost. The BC Games Society reserves the right to move participants to other pick-up points within their zone to best achieve an efficient transportation network.

Planning Summary

Those Flying to the Games:

- Kootenays (Zone 1) – All of Zone 1 will fly from Cranbrook
- Vancouver Island-Central Coast (Zone 6) – All of Zone 6 will fly from Nanaimo or Victoria
- All participants on BC Games charter flights will fly to and from Prince George Airport. Transportation will be provided between the airport and the Bus Arrivals/Departures Area in Quesnel.

Those Busing to the Games:

- Thompson-Okanagan (Zone 2) – All of Zone 2 will bus to the Games
- Fraser Valley (Zone 3) – All of Zone 3 will bus to the Games
- Fraser River (Zone 4) – All of Zone 4 will bus to the Games
- Vancouver-Coastal (Zone 5) – All of Zone 5 will bus to the Games
- North West (Zone 7) – All of Zone 7 will bus to the Games
- Cariboo-North East (Zone 8) – All of Zone 8 will bus to the Games **except for** Quesnel area participants.

Quesnel Area Participants:

- Report to the Participant Accreditation Centre at their sport's designated time on February 21, 2024. These participants should connect with their zone coach to determine their specific arrival time.

Special Travel Zones:

- Participants living in remote areas of British Columbia not serviced by BC Games Society charter flights or buses may be eligible for special travel provisions (i.e.; travel via commercial services).
- Special Travel Zones include remote areas of Zones 6, 7, and 8 such as the Central Coast Regional District (including the Bella Coola Valley and surrounding areas), Haida Gwaii, the northern parts of the Regional District of Kitimat–Stikine (Dease Lake, etc.), the Stikine Region, and the Northern Rockies Regional Municipality.
- If special travel arrangements, as noted above, are required, please select “Special Travel Zone” as the pick-up point of that participant.




Timing and Expectations:

- All participants on BC Games transportation will travel to Quesnel on Wednesday, February 21, 2024 and are expected to arrive by 11:00 pm PST (*exact timing TBC*).
- Those participants making their own way to the Games should plan to arrive the Games Accreditation Centre on Wednesday, February 21, 2024 between 4:00 pm and 8:00 pm PST. These participants should connect with their zone coach to determine their specific arrival time.
- Returning from the Games, all participants on BC Games transportation will depart Quesnel mid-afternoon on Sunday, February 25, 2024, and arrive at their home destination Sunday night or early Monday morning.
- Those participants making their own way home from the Games should identify a plan for pick-up at a convenient location on Sunday, February 25, 2024. This may include the accommodation site or sport venue for that participant, depending on their schedule for that day.
- Transporting up to 1,400 participants to and from Quesnel takes significant planning, coordination, and cooperation. Meeting registration the deadline of January 22, 2024 for all athletes, coaches, and officials on Games transportation is critical.
- Sports are required to follow supervisor expectations and the [BC Games Society Team Travel Policy](#).

Pick-up Point Information

[CLICK HERE](#) to see a map of all the pick-up points available for the participants.

Each pick-up point location is identified with one of the following three symbols:

	Airport	This pick-up point is an airport where participants will board a flight to the Games
	Bus to Airport	This pick-up point will have a bus take participants to a designated airport to board a flight to the Games
	Bus to Quesnel	This pick-up point will have a bus take participants directly to the Games

In the pages that follow, pick-up points from each zone are listed with the above information.

Specific travel itinerary information will be provided to each confirmed Games participant within two weeks of the BC Games registration deadline of January 22, 2024.

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Zone Code 1 Kootenays (1)

Pick-up Point Location	Type
Castlegar	Bus to Airport
Cranbrook Airport	Airport
Creston	Bus to Airport
Fernie	Bus to Airport
Golden	Bus to Airport
Invermere	Bus to Airport
Nelson	Bus to Airport
Rossland	Bus to Airport

Notes:

- All “Bus to Airport” pick-up points will travel to Cranbrook Airport by bus and fly to the Games
- All other locations are expected to make their own way to their nearest pick-up point

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Zone Code 2 Thompson-Okanagan (2)

Pick-up Point Location	Type
Cache Creek	Bus to Quesnel
Clearwater	Bus to Quesnel
Kamloops	Bus to Quesnel
Kelowna	Bus to Quesnel
Merritt	Bus to Quesnel
Osoyoos	Bus to Quesnel
Penticton	Bus to Quesnel
Revelstoke	Bus to Quesnel
Vernon	Bus to Quesnel

Notes:

- All “Bus to Quesnel” pick-up points will travel directly to Quesnel by bus
- All other locations are expected to make their own way to their nearest pick-up point

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Zone Code 3 Fraser Valley (3)

Pick-up Point Location	Type
Abbotsford	Bus to Quesnel
Boston Bar	Bus to Quesnel
Chilliwack	Bus to Quesnel
Hope	Bus to Quesnel
Langley	Bus to Quesnel

Notes:

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Zone Code 4 Fraser River (4)

Pick-up Point Location

Type

Burnaby
Surrey

Bus to Quesnel
Bus to Quesnel

Notes:

- All “Bus to Quesnel” pick-up points will travel directly to Quesnel by bus
- All other locations are expected to make their own way to their nearest pick-up point

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Zone Code 5 Vancouver-Coastal (5)

Pick-up Point Location	Type
North Vancouver	Bus to Quesnel
Pemberton	Bus to Quesnel
Squamish	Bus to Quesnel
Vancouver	Bus to Quesnel
Whistler	Bus to Quesnel

Notes:

- All “Bus to Quesnel” pick-up points will travel directly to Quesnel by bus
- All other locations are expected to make their own way to their nearest pick-up point

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Zone Code 6 Vancouver Island-Central Coast (6)

Pick-up Point Location

Type

Campbell River
Courtenay
Nanaimo
Victoria

Bus to Airport
Bus to Airport
Airport
Airport

Notes:

- *All “Bus to Airport” pick-up points will travel to either Nanaimo Airport or Victoria Airport by bus and fly to the Games*
- *All Victoria and Nanaimo participants will meet at the airport (please check airport specific information in each travel itinerary)*
- *All other locations are expected to make their own way to their nearest pick-up point*

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Zone Code 7 North West (7)

Pick-up Point Location	Type
Burns Lake	Bus to Quesnel
Houston	Bus to Quesnel
Prince Rupert	Bus to Quesnel
Smithers	Bus to Quesnel
Terrace	Bus to Quesnel
Vanderhoof	Bus to Quesnel

Notes:

- All “Bus to Quesnel” pick-up points will travel directly to Quesnel by bus
- All other locations are expected to make their own way to their nearest pick-up point

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Zone Code 8 Cariboo-North East (8)

Pick-up Point Location

Type

100 Mile House
Chetwynd
Dawson Creek
Fort St. John
McBride
McLeod Lake
Prince George
Quesnel
Valemount
Williams Lake

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Own Transportation
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Notes:

- All “Bus to Quesnel” pick-up points will travel directly to Quesnel by bus
- All “Own Transportation” are expected to transport themselves to Quesnel and arrive by the designated check in time.
- All other locations are expected to make their own way to their nearest pick-up point