

## 32nd [Hokkaido Heritage] Teshio River Canoe Touring Competition Down the Teshio-Pe 2025

### 22nd Hokkaido Canoe Touring Competition

#### Recruitment Guidelines

1. Schedule: August 2nd (Saturday) - 3rd (Sunday), 2025 [Will be held rain or shine] \* Touring only on the 3rd (Sunday)
2. Course: Teshio River from Horonobe Town to Tsukigase Lake Canoe Port and Teshio Town – Teshio River Riverside Park (Distance: 23 km)
3. Event: Canoe Touring Category (beginners to intermediate levels)
4. Recruitment Limit: First 100 boats (200 people) [Note] Due to event management, if the number of applicants exceeds the limit before the application deadline, recruitment will close, so please apply early.
5. The status of entries will be updated on the website below. If the limit is not reached, additional recruitment may take place.  
(1) Eligibility Requirements: Elementary school students and above. Applicants must be canoe enthusiasts with the physical ability to paddle long distances, have skills to avoid obstacles and dangers, and be able to perform self-rescue.  
\* First-time canoe users and those with no experience cannot participate together. However, if they attend a designated workshop and the organizer deems it safe, they may participate. Registration as a member of the NPO Down The Teshio is required.  
(2) \* Those not registered can register as a member at the

same time as applying. For details, please refer to the application form. Participants must agree to adhere to competition rules and event regulations.

(3) © Infants are not allowed to accompany for safety reasons. Minors must be accompanied by an experienced guardian or participate in tandem.

© If the organizer determines that a participant lacks the ability to paddle, they will be asked to leave (cease paddling).

#### 6. Participation Fee:

○ General: 14,000 yen per person

○ University students 12,000 yen

○ High school students and under: 10,000 yen per person \*  
However, students, members of the Hokkaido Canoe Association, Hokkaido Canadian Canoe Club registered members, and NPO Down The Teshio registered members for the 2025 fiscal year will receive a 2,000 yen discount.

○ Breakdown of participation fees: 10,000 yen registration fee (2,000 yen for NPO support membership, bib number, printing and communication costs, participation prize, common expenses), 1,000 yen insurance fee, lunch for completion (3rd) 3,000 yen \* Participants must prepare their own dinner on the 2nd and breakfast on the 3rd.

[Note] The event will generally proceed rain or shine, but if the organizer determines it impossible to proceed due to heavy rains, strong winds, etc., touring may be temporarily suspended or the event may be canceled. In the event of a cancellation, participation fees will not be refunded.

#### 7. Temporary Bus: On the 3rd before the start, a temporary

charter bus will be operated to move personal vehicles from the finish area to the starting area. Those wishing to board must reserve at the time of application. 1,500 yen per person per day.

8. Awards: All participants will receive a commemorative item, and finishers will receive a completion certificate. Additionally, those who complete all stages from Nayoro City to Teshio Town will be certified as "Teshio-O-Pe Master" and awarded the title.

9. Application: Inquiries:

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\* Event regulations and advance notices will be posted on the website above as they become available.

10. Participation in the event is primarily based on the use of your own boat. The types of boats allowed are Canoes, kayaks, sea kayaks, and inflatables. For other types of boats, prior inspection is required, so please inquire. SUP participation is limited to those who have completed the pre-course (touring edition) listed below. If you wish to rent

a boat due to participation from a distance, please specify this in the application form. The rental fee for a Canoe for two people is 15,000 yen, which includes transportation costs, paddles, life jackets, helmets, and ropes. For safety reasons, rentals will not be available for beginners.

Handling: Teshio River Canoe Center, 56-1 Higashi 7 Jo Minami, Nayoro City, TEL 01654-3-8890.

11. Application deadline (first round) must be received by July 18, 2025 (Friday). Please fill out the required items on the designated application form and mail it in. If the number of participants does not reach the limit, additional recruitment may occur. After accepting applications, an 'Entry Acceptance Notice' (postal postcard or email) will be sent.
12. Participation fee payment: Applicants are requested to send their payment simultaneously with their application to the following financial institutions. Cash registration is accepted. If payment is not received by the end of June, your entry may be canceled. Hokusei Shinkin 北星信金 Bank, Bifuka Branch, Japan Postal Bank, Account Number: 19800-05181041, Account Name: Kyuhachihachi 九八八キ ュウハチハチ), Regular Account: 0518104. Down the Teshio Executive Committee.
13. Accommodation and Meals: Accommodation should primarily be at the designated campsite. Each participant should bring their own camping gear. The designated campsite on the day of arrival (2nd) is Teshio Town

Kagaminuma Seaside Park Campsite. Those wishing to stay at Teshio Town Kagaminuma Seaside Park Campsite on the 3rd should make their own reservations. For those seeking accommodation facilities or other campsites in the basin, please make arrangements for reservations, including any pre-accommodation, on your own.

Please note that there will be no group dinner exchange event, so each team should prepare their own dinner.

Lunch on the 3rd is included in the participation fee and will be provided by the organizers, but dinner on the 2nd and breakfast on the 3rd must be prepared by each participant.

14. Safety Measures: For safety, participants are required to equip and wear life jackets, helmets, painter ropes, and rescue throw bags. For canoes, inflatable flotation devices (those with floating structures are exempt), and ensure to install spray covers on kayaks and folding boats. Boat inspections will be conducted before launch. If there are any inadequacies, launching will not be permitted, so please consult in advance if unsure.
15. Disclaimer: Participants must join at their own responsibility and manage their health. In the event of traffic accidents or any kind of incidents, the organizer cannot take responsibility beyond the emergency measures and domestic travel insurance coverage that is included. Each participant is responsible for the management of their own equipment and belongings. Be sure to write your name on paddles, life jackets, etc. The organizer cannot be held responsible for any losses.

Before the workshop

please prepare the following items: personal gear, canoe equipment, a change of clothes, lunch, and drinking water.

- First Session: Basic Course (Calm Water) This course is for beginners who are riding a canoe for the first time and those who wish to participate in competitions.

Date: May 25 (Sunday) - Meeting Time: 10:00 AM Location: Upper Teshio River, Minamioka Forest Park, Wakkanai  
Application Deadline: May 18 (Sunday)

- Second Session: Touring Course (Flowing Water) This course is for participants of the Basic Course (Calm Water), those seeking to improve skills in flowing water, and first-time SUP participants.

Date: June 22 (Sunday) - Meeting Time: 9:00 AM Location: Teshio River, Right Bank of Nayoro Ohashi to Suporo-no-se (Teshio River Clean Operation will be held simultaneously)  
Application Deadline: June 13 (Friday) \*Please remember to pack a change of clothes in a waterproof bag, as we will practice recovery after capsizing. © Those wishing to participate should apply by the above deadline, providing their address, name, date of birth, phone number, and email address to the event committee (NPO Down The Teshio Office) E-mail: [canoe@teshiogawa.net](mailto:canoe@teshiogawa.net).

**Lecture fee / Each workshop: Adults 3,000 yen, under middle school students 2,000 yen (including insurance fee) \*Rental canoe set damage fee 5,000 yen.**