



Team Bulletin 3 - November



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1 September

(now overdue for some teams)

1 October

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31 October

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15 November

1 December

9 December

- Team details & catering requirements
- Team travel information***
- Please send designs/photos of all team uniforms for approval
- Final date to book training/recovery services or meeting rooms, at discounted prices
- Last date for VISA applications
- 3rd instalment of participation fees (if paying in 3 instalments)
- Final date for all team entries in FuseSport registration portal

*** If you have not yet booked your air travel or applied for visas to New Zealand, we strongly advise you to action this immediately. January is our summer holiday period and peak season for travel. You may have difficulty in booking the flights for your team.



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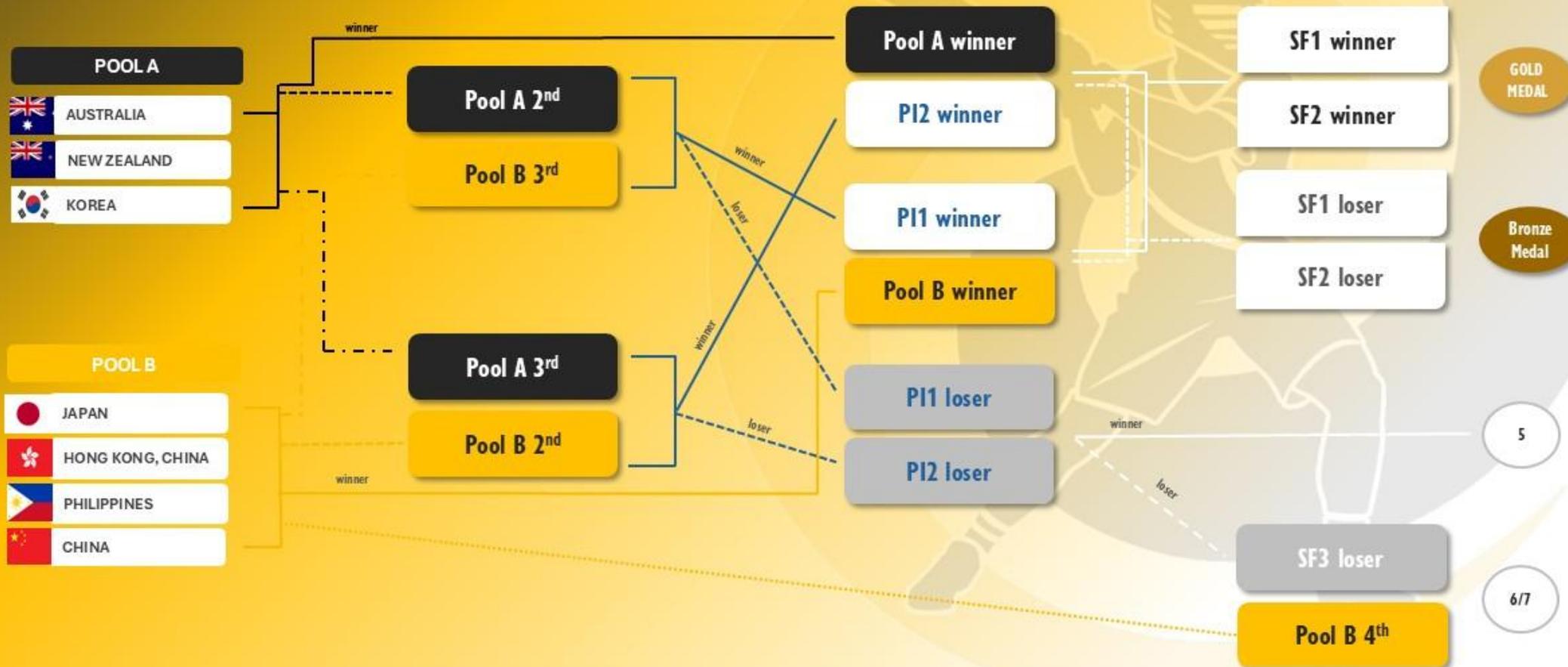


Pool Play

Play-ins

Semi-finals

Finals





SCHEDULE

POOL PLAY	TUESDAY 6 JAN	GAME #1 POOL A NZL v AUS 10AM	GAME #2 POOL B JPN v HKG 1PM	GAME #3 POOL B PHI v CHN 4PM	POOL A AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND KOREA
	WEDNESDAY 7 JAN	GAME #4 POOL A JPN v CHN 10AM	GAME #5 POOL B NZL v KOR 1PM	GAME #6 POOL B HKG v PHI 4PM	
	THURSDAY 8 JAN	GAME #7 POOL A HKG v CHN 10AM	GAME #8 POOL B JPN v PHI 1PM	GAME #9 POOL A AUS v KOR 4PM	
PLAY-IN	FRIDAY 9 JAN	GAME #10 PLAY-IN A2 v B3 10AM	GAME #11 PLAY-IN B2 v A3 1PM	JAPAN HONG KONG, CHINA PHILIPPINES CHINA	
SEMIFINALS & PLACEMENT	SATURDAY 10 JAN	GAME #12 SEMIFINAL 1 B1 v WG10 9AM	GAME #13 SEMIFINAL 2 A1 v WG11 12PM	GAME #14 5TH PLACE LG10 v LG11 3PM	
	SUNDAY 11 JAN	GAME #15 6TH PLACE LG14 v B4 9AM	GAME #16 BRONZE 12PM	GAME #17 GOLD 3PM	MEDAL GAMES



Greenroom, Gym, Pools

Change Rooms

Dining Hall

Dorm Accommodation

Village Accommodation

Competition Field

Training Field



**NO SMOKING
OR VAPING**

Training/Recovery Services & Meeting Rooms

Access to these services during the tournament will be charged at these higher rates and are dependent upon bookings received and confirmed prior to the tournament.

Analysis bunker

The Analysis bunker is a purpose-built observation room which features interactive screens and football/rugby floor markings designed to observe and analyse games and athlete training sessions.

Tiered seating for teams, or loose furniture for varied seating.

AV solution with 85" interactive screen.

\$150/hour

Gym

1,000 sqm gym has state-of-the-art equipment including cardio, weights and specialist equipment.

\$700/hour/team

Watt Bikes

\$400/hour/team

Hot & Cold Plunge Pools + Sauna

Cold and hot plunge pools offer a multitude of invigorating benefits.

Infrared sauna

\$700/hour/team

Murray meeting room

The Murray meeting room, in the dining hall building, is also available for team use.

50 person capacity

2 projectors + screens

\$150/hour

Changing room

- 30-50 persons/change room
- 2-person Cold Plunge
- 2-person Hot or Cold Plunge
- Physio Treatment Area
- Nutrition Station
- 2 Accessible Bathrooms
- 5 Showers
- 4 Toilets
- Access to Bottle Wash
- Ice Machine

Available prior to 6 January

\$150/hour





OFFICIALS



 AUSTRALIA

Bradley Edwards

Steve Green

Albert Lai (APLU)

James Suffolk

 CANADA

Adam Crowe

Ryan Nose

 GERMANY

Alex Frey

 HONG KONG, CHINA

Dennis Cheng

Michael Tse

 JAPAN

Kota Ito

Yusuke Kato

 KOREA

DongJun Kim

Soo Kyung Kim

Wonki Park

 NETHERLANDS

Jasper van der Hors

 NEW ZEALAND

John Brockelbank

Bill Hollins (APLU)

Ursula Johnson (WL)

 SCOTLAND

Rob Powell

Arriving in New Zealand - Immigration and customs Requirements

New Zealand Traveller Declaration

Everyone travelling into New Zealand needs to complete a free New Zealand Traveller Declaration (NZDT).

You can start your NZDT at a time that suits you either online or via the NZTD app. The declaration is free and everyone travelling into New Zealand needs to complete one. **The earliest you can submit your declaration is 24 hours before you start your journey to New Zealand.** If you are a New Zealand visa or NZeTA holder, you will still need to complete a NZTD.

The New Zealand Traveller Declaration collects travellers' Customs, Immigration, and Biosecurity information. The online form aims to help arriving international passengers move through airports more efficiently and improve the safety and security of New Zealand.

Every passenger carrying NZ\$10,000 or more in cash and/or foreign currency equivalent must notify a Customs Officer.

Your declaration will be checked when you arrive and any goods you've declared will be inspected by a Ministry for Primary Industries Officer after you've cleared Passport Control and collected your bags. Your bags may be sniffed by detector dogs, X-rayed or searched.

Biosecurity

Biosecurity New Zealand aims to prevent the entry of pests and diseases which could endanger New Zealand's important agriculture and horticulture industries, as well as our natural environment.

It is important to remember that if you have any fruit, vegetable, animal, or plant items with you, or packed in your luggage, you must declare them or dispose of them in airport amnesty bins.

Before leave home, you should clean all sports equipment to remove soil and grass. This will assist with border processes when you enter New Zealand.

Protect NZ from foot-and-mouth disease (FMD)

Foot-and-mouth disease is in many countries, including Malaysia, China and most recently Indonesia, but thankfully not yet New Zealand.

In order to protect New Zealand against Foot and Mouth disease all arriving travellers must:

- Declare all goods, equipment, and food that could carry unwanted pests or diseases into New Zealand.
- Declare when they have been in contact with livestock.
- Not bring in animal products such as meat.
- Clean footwear before coming to New Zealand if you have visited a farm overseas.

- Remember that there is a one week stand down from when a person arrives from an overseas country that has Foot and Mouth disease to when they can go onto a NZ farm or contact susceptible animals in NZ.

Protected animal and plant items

Some countries require a Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) permit to bring certain animal and plant items into the country. New Zealand is one of those countries. A CITES permit allows you to move protected species across international borders. This includes items you bring back to New Zealand from overseas. Please allow plenty of time if you need to get a permit.

CITES is designed to regulate trade in endangered, threatened, or exploited species. This includes more than 40,000 species of animals and plants.

For more information

For the most up to date immigration and customs information please refer to

Immigration - www.immigration.govt.nz/
Customs - www.customs.govt.nz/
www.aucklandairport.co.nz/information/arriving-from-overseas

Auckland International Airport - Transfer to Domestic Terminal

Transferring to Air New Zealand flights

If you are transferring to an Air New Zealand domestic flight within New Zealand you need to collect your luggage and clear Customs and Biosecurity. If you have more than 60 minutes before your scheduled departure time then please go to the Air New Zealand domestic transfer desk on the ground floor of the international terminal.

If you are within 60 minutes of your scheduled check in time then please proceed directly to the domestic terminal using the free terminal transfer bus which comes every 15 minutes or follow the sign-posted walkway.

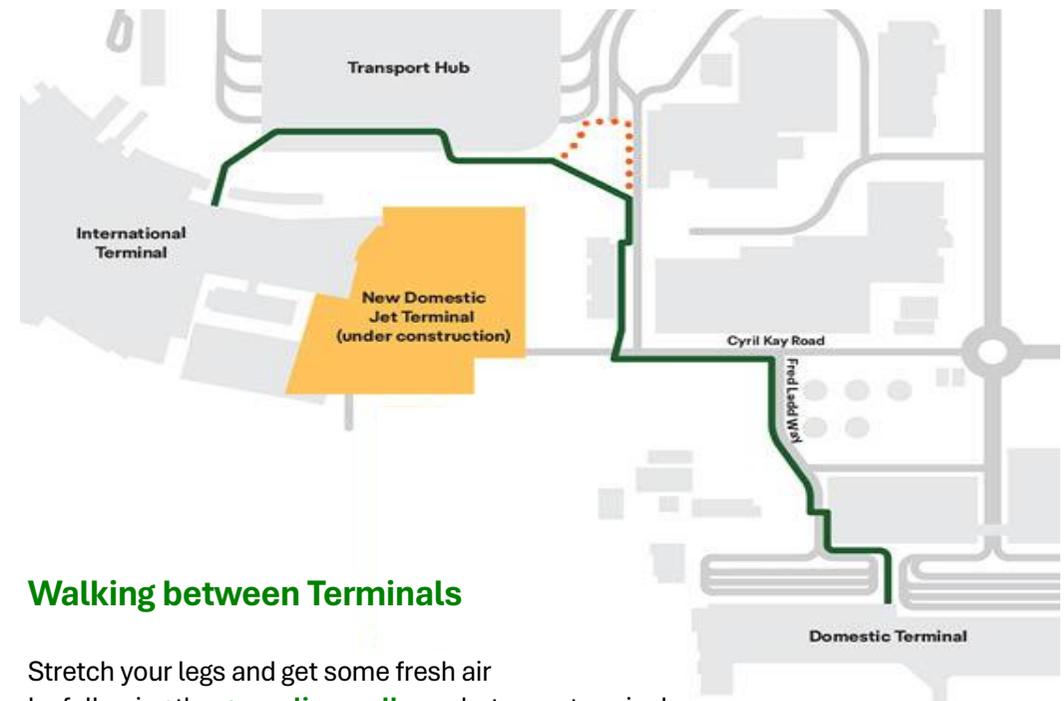
If your checked in luggage weighs more than 20kg, or carry on luggage more than 7kg, an excessive luggage charge may apply.

Transferring to a Jetstar flight

If you are transferring to a Jetstar please proceed directly to check-in at the domestic terminal once you have collected your luggage and cleared Customs and Biosecurity.

Catch the inter-terminal bus

A free inter-terminal bus service operates every 15 minutes between 5am and 11pm, with the trip taking approximately ten minutes. At the international terminal, the bus leaves from Bus Stop B at the Transport Hub. At the domestic terminal, outside Door 2 from Bus Stop C.



Walking between Terminals

Stretch your legs and get some fresh air by following the **green line walkway** between terminals.

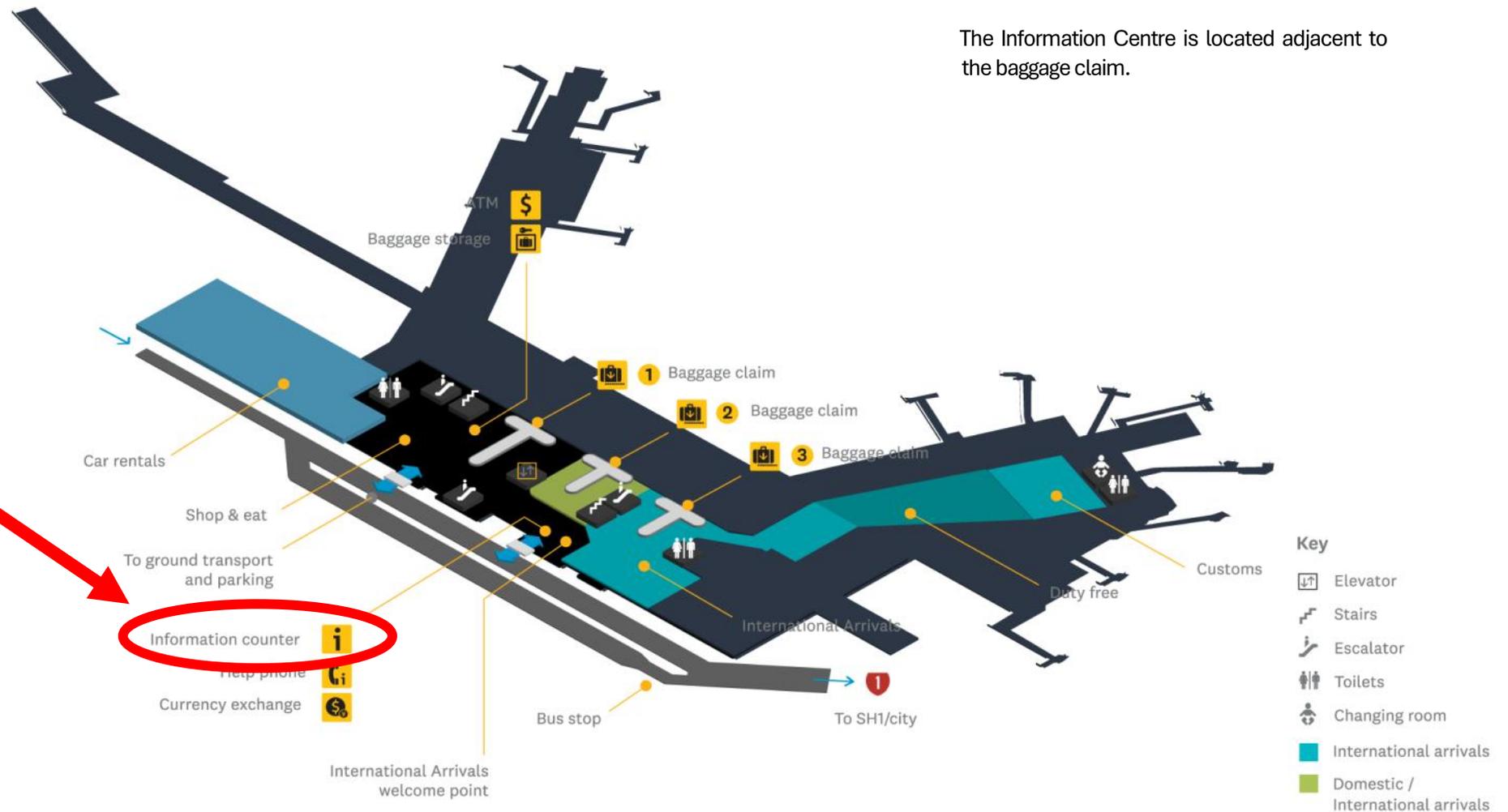
The 950m walkway is well marked with improved shade and shelter, and, in most places, follows a green line on the footpath. The route takes about 10 to 15 minutes.

Wellington Airport - Team Meeting Point

Ground

Teams will be met at the Information Centre on the Ground Floor of Wellington Airport.

The Information Centre is located adjacent to the baggage claim.



Transport



Public Transport

Bus

Wellington City is served by Metlink buses. Buses will replace the usual trains between Wellington to Upper Hutt, for the duration of the tournament.

Route 83 from Wellington to Lower Hutt and then a Route 110 to Fergusson Drive, approximately 1km (15 mins) from NZCIS.



Snapper is an electronic payment card that provides public transport customers with a faster, cheaper, and more flexible payment and travel option.

Snapper cards can be purchased from many locations.

<https://www.metlink.org.nz/getting-started/>

Team Transport

Transport will be provided for teams on arrival to and departure from Wellington Airport to NZCIS.

Vans will be available for use during the tournament on a booking system.

Private Transport

Taxis

There are several taxi companies which service the area.

<https://www.wellingtonairport.co.nz/transport/taxis-shuttles/>

Rental Cars

Rental cars are available at Wellington Airport.

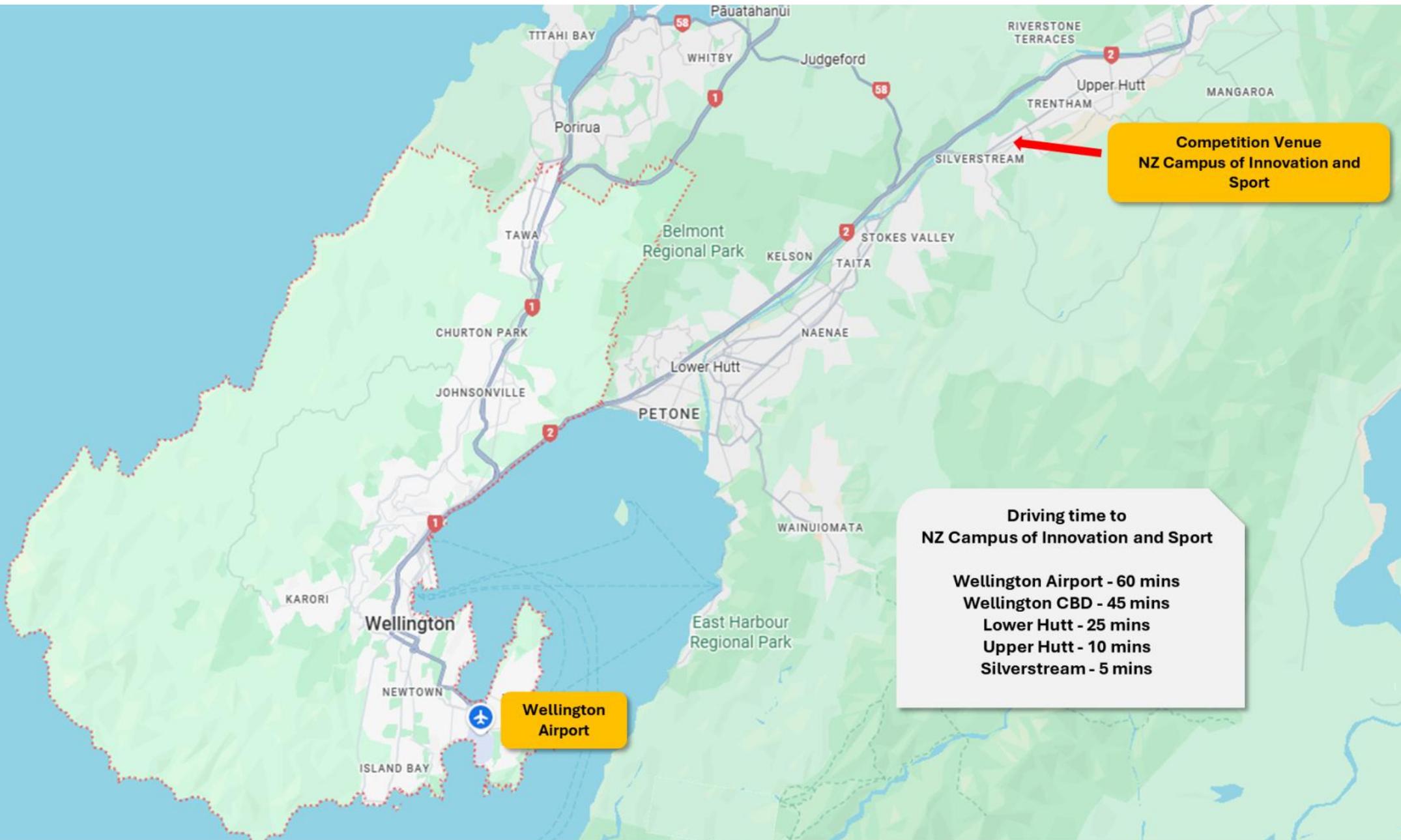
<https://www.wellingtonairport.co.nz/transport/rental-cars/>



App-based

Both Uber and Didi, app-based ride-hailing services, are available in the Wellington region.

Wellington and the Hutt valley



Meals

Teams & officials meals

Meals will be provided 3 times per day in the dining hall providing a range of hot and cold options.

Breakfast: 6.30am - 9.30am

Lunch: 11.30pm - 2.30pm

Dinner: 5:30pm - 8:30pm

To accommodate all teams, meal times will be rostered to ensure teams playing after meal times have sufficient time to eat and prepare for games.

The Village Lounge, for rest and relaxation, will include a snack area.

Departure day meal-times will differ to accommodate the transport logistics to get all the teams to the airport.



Accommodation kitchenette facilities

Kitchenette facilities include:

- Fridge
- Dishdraw
- Microwave
- 2 Hobs
- Magic bullet
- Crockery & cutlery

Closing Function - BBQ

The final evening meal of the tournament will be a BBQ in traditional “Kiwi” style. BBQ meats, summer ham, salads and the original Kiwi pavlova.

Cash Bar: 6.00pm - 10.00pm

BBQ: 7.00pm - 9.00pm



Pōwhiri - Opening Ceremony

A pōwhiri is a Māori welcoming ceremony, involving whaikōrero (formal speeches), waiata (singing) and kai (food).

Teams, officials, volunteers, VIPs and guests will be seated in the Greenroom no later than 15 minutes prior to the start, with the exception of 2 members from each team and the officials who will be the official representatives of the visitors.

A traditional pōwhiri begins at the waharoa (entrance), starting with an initial karanga usually conducted by the kaikaranga (women caller). The manuhiri (teams and official representatives) are welcomed into the area by a kaikaranga who begins the karanga, to which the manuhiri kaikaranga will respond. The manuhiri will move up slowly behind the kaikaranga into the marae.

This removes the tapu (sacredness) from the manuhiri, who will be referred to as waewae tapu (sacred feet) if they are first-time visitors to the marae.

Wero/Waerea

The wero is a challenge that attempts to determine the intent of the manuhiri, which, once established,

clears the way for the rest of the welcome ceremony. They may carry a taiaha (spear-like weapon) and will lay down a token, often a small branch, for a male representative of the manuhiri to pick up to show you come in peace.

Whaikōrero - the formal speeches

The haukāinga (local people of a marae) will initiate the whaikōrero, followed by a waiata (song) that the tangata whenua sings in support of their speaker(s). The manuhiri (guests) then follow the same kawa (protocol).

The opening of the tournament, including the athlete and official oaths, will be occur during the Whaikōrero.

Koha

After manuhiri have sung their waiata, a koha (gift/offering) is presented, being placed in front of the haukāinga. Symbolising thanks to the hosts for the manaakitanga (hospitality) extended to them. The process then moves back to the haukāinga who close the whaikōrero proceedings.

Hariru/hongi

Nearing the ending of the pōwhiri, the manuhiri will move across to hongī the haukāinga. This involves the shaking of hands and a gentle pressing of noses, possibly also a kiss on the cheek, signifying the

sacred breath of life – the mauri (life principle).



Kai (fsood)

After the pōwhiri, kai (food) will be shared, keeping with the Māori tradition of manaakitanga (hospitality). As a sign of respect, manuhiri are fed first; kaumātua (elders) and tamariki (children) next, followed by the pakeke (adults).

Recognising the need for teams to continue to prepare for the tournament, only the VIPs and guests will gather in the Village Lounge after the formalities in the Greenroom for kai.



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