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JUNE 11-12-13, 2021 (Event one) Girls 13-14-15-16-17-18

JUNE 14-15, 2021 (Event two) Girls 12-13-14*-15*-16*-17*-18*
and all Boys 12u thru 18u

* Girls 13-14-15-16-17-18u have three day or two-day option

* Teams can play in both events if desired as they are separate events

SHERATON GRAND CHICAGO OFFICIAL HOTEL

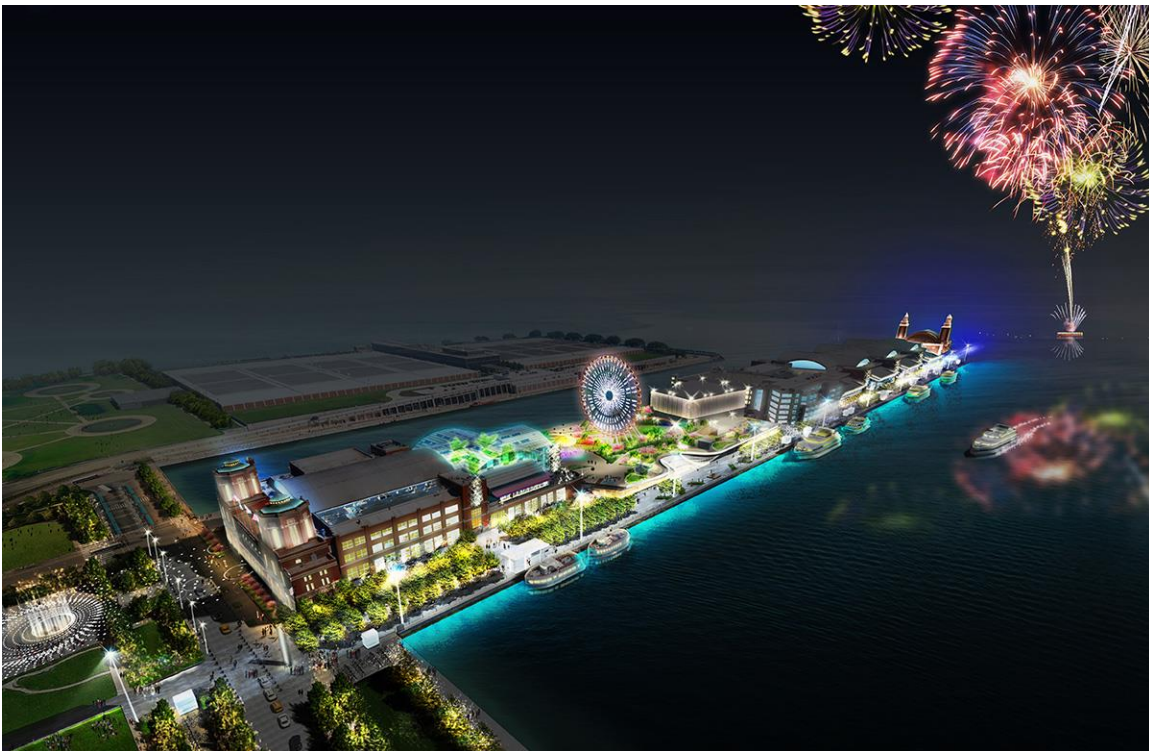
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JUNIOR NATIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

JUNE 11-15, 2021

June 11-12-13, 2021

A 3-Day Event for Girls 13u-14u-15u-16u-17u-18u

June 14-15, 2021

A two-Day Event for Girls 12u-13u-14u-15u*-16u* and
All Boys 12u-13u-14u*

*Girls 14u-15u-16u have two options: three day or two day

Tournament Sponsors:



Mikasa® Sports, Official Volleyball

Welcome

- Our 25th anniversary with Asics® America Corporation!
- Our 46th year running this event in the Great Lakes/Chicagoland Area

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INITIAL ROSTER DEADLINE IS June 1st*

THIS EVENT IS NOW OPEN TO ALL TEAMS—AFFILIATED OR NON-AFFILIATED AS WE WILL BE INSURING THE EVENT THRU JVA SO IF YOU ARE AAU, USA VOLLEYBALL, JVA OR UNAFFILIATED YOU CAN PLAY IN IT! NO MEMBERSHIP IS NEEDED!

THIS IS A FIRST-COME FIRST SERVE EVENT! NO QUALIFYING NEEDED... DON'T WAIT!

*Rosters from AES or email us... Initial Deadline June 1, 2021 for rosters but any changes to players or staff can be made at check in





June 11-12-13, 201 and June 14-15, 2021

ASICS® JUNIOR NATIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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February, 2021

Dear Coaches and Directors,

We can all agree what a trying time in our history 2020 has been with the world pandemic. We hope all of you are finding the strength to persevere until it ends. As of February 1st, we are going forward with plans to open up the event again after last year's unprecedented pause. The positivity rates, along with the vaccination roll out, are helping the declining statistics of Chicago to 3% in February and we hope they continue to decline. Navy Pier is anxious to reopen and they have made our event a high priority.

We look forward to your arrival at Chicago's beautiful Lakefront Navy Pier, the #1 Midwest Tourist Attraction for Visitors. The Asics® Junior National Volleyball Championships is the oldest running mega volleyball event! This is the 46st year of this event, and our 25th with the finest complete volleyball provider of apparel, footwear, and accessories--Asics® America Corporation! We are proud and privileged to provide this national caliber volleyball championship event in the Chicago land area! We are most excited that there is no qualifying for our event—it is available to all teams, whether you belong to any organization or not, on a first come, first serve basis. It gives an opportunity for all teams, no matter the experience or skill level, to taste the excitement of *boys' and girls'* teams playing simultaneously from all

over the United States, Canada and we often get teams from Hawaii and Puerto Rico. This is the 15th time we have hosted at the fan favorite Navy Pier- 2003, 2006, 2009-2021, and it is our permanent venue. Unlike McCormick Place where there is unlimited space and courts one mile down the Chicago Lakefront—we are limited to 30 courts and 240 teams in each session/480 total teams for both sessions. You need to *enter early through* www.advancedeventsystems.com, as we cannot exceed this capacity. The ambience of the Chicago Lakefront and the stunning views of being right in the heart of the Chicago skyline make this a worthwhile and one-of-a-kind venue. You will be playing on an indoor pier/convention hall that extends out into Lake Michigan nearly a mile—with yachts, skyscrapers, a new hotel called the Sable, and lakefront activity at your feet. Parents enjoy the outdoor restaurants, beer gardens, and entertainment while play continues inside the convention center known as Festival Hall A and B.

It is with great pride and anticipation that we welcome you and our exceptional tournament staff that travels from all over the United States to participate/or assist with the event. We believe you will discover Chicago to be a beautiful city with its museums, sporting and cultural events, lakefront activity and the number one tourist attraction in the Midwest, Navy Pier. Chicago has a lot to do and explore in a city of exceptional friendliness/ cleanliness that is the ultimate family-friendly destination!

Our event is in its 25th year of sponsorship with ASICS® America Corporation and its 27th year with Mikasa® Sports as the official ball. Boys and Girls will compete in 12u, 13u, 14u, 15u, 16u, 17u, and 18u age divisions. The event annually draws 5000 plus athletes and guests from all over.

For some teams, this is the culmination of the junior season. For others, it is a pre-national warm up for a National Championship or the season ending highlight. This event is for all caliber of play and our outstanding scheduling technicians are highly efficient flowing teams after initial pool play into appropriate divisions. We give awards to EVERY DIVISION!

Plan for your visit to the Chicago area to help ensure an enjoyable and rewarding experience. We encourage you to enter early, as space is limited. You only need to go to AES (rosters not needed to enter)—initial rosters so we can prepare check in materials ahead of time are not due until June 1, 2020. You can add or delete to your rosters after June 1 at check-in, we do not abide by a 'frozen roster policy'. We do not require teams to use any hotel block—you are free to choose and book any hotel in the area that suits your needs and budget. **NO POLICY OF Play and Stay!!** Also, waivers are allowed for players who play in same grade level but are up to one year older in age according to JVA rules.

We will advertise those hotels holding a block of rooms if you choose to use them. If we can assist you in any way, the best method of contact is email at: midwestjvb@gmail.com





2021 JUNIOR NATIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS
June 11-12-13 and June 14-15, 2021/ TWO SEPARATE SESSIONS

Chicago's Navy Pier
600 East Grand Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Hosted by: Midwest Junior Volleyball

Title Sponsor: ASICS® America Corporation

Official Ball Sponsor: Mikasa Sports

Official Sports Drink: Gatorade

OFFICIAL HOTEL: <https://book.passkey.com/e/50177930>

SHERATON GRAND CHICAGO

COMPETITION VENUE:

We are pleased to return to Chicago's Lakefront Navy Pier again for our 15th year due to popular demand! It's a world class atmosphere with a multitude of events happening—beautifully located out on Lake Michigan amidst views that are world famous. The renovations to Navy Pier recently make it even more enticing.

For a look at the venue go to: www.navypier.com

COMPETITION FORMAT:

On Friday, Saturday, and Sunday June 11-12-13, 2021 competition will be for girls 13u-18u in a three-day format with pool play days one and two and elimination brackets day three. Single elimination begins with bracket play on day three where you will compete until eliminated or win the championship of your division! Entry fee \$750

PLEASE NOTE: In the event of a late drop or cancellation that is unforeseeable, we may have to adjust pools to "AUTO three", which means, 3 sets against other the two teams, (6 sets total) when a fourth team in the pool drops late. This is not our desirable format, but occasionally a late drop occurs and no other option exists.

June 14-15, 2021 is a two-day format for all boys 12u-14u and girls 12u,13u, 14u and combined 16/15u wishing a two-day format. Day one is pool play and day two is bracket elimination play. Entry fee is \$475

All pool play days use the format of "wave play" in the preliminary rounds of competition. You cannot choose the wave and they will not be announced until about two-three weeks before the event. Waves will depend on the current COVID 19 capacity rules et by

the city of Chicago, Cook County, the state of Illinois and Navy Pier. Formats could range from two waves as always used in the past to four sessions of ¼ the field in each session. Waves will be posted on our website and first match times will be announced no later than 1 week before the competition at: www.advancedeventsystems.com

On the final day of competition in each session, all teams must be prepared for an 7:30 am start as bracket play depends on seeding and results from preliminary rounds.

CONVENTION CENTER RULES:

- All guests can be driven up onto Navy Pier and dropped off, regardless of whether you choose to park or not—the best drop off point is the East or West Entrance drop off down the North Side of the Pier—look at the map at <http://www.navy Pier.com/pdf/PierMap.pdf> Follow the signs to “Festival Hall”
- Food and drink are allowed in the Hall. Garbage must be placed in containers throughout the Hall to make an enjoyable experience for all—teams who do not clean their bench areas after each match will incur a 10-point penalty on their next match/first game (both teams will incur the penalty as it is their responsibility to clean both bench areas!) Eating or drinking at the score tables will incur the same penalty as above
- COOLERS are not permitted in the Convention Center. There are plenty of park areas along Lake Michigan adjacent to the Convention Center so leave your coolers in your cars and picnic outside. The view is spectacular! Convention Center Security will confiscate any coolers brought into the hall for safety reasons.
- SMOKING is not permitted in the Halls—smokers will have to check for designated areas where smoking is allowed.
- NO OUTSIDE CHAIRS ARE PERMITTED TO BE BROUGHT IN PER CHICAGO FIRE MARSHAL CODE. Chairs are provided, and seating areas are limited to spaces the event staff feels safe to place. Generally, seating is behind the end lines and not permitted between the courts but on a few courts, it may be opposite...check at each court and referees will police this! Officials have the right to request spectators be moved or to eject unruly fans.
- ALCOHOL is not permitted in the Hall of competition per USA Volleyball Rule book

PARKING:

- We highly encourage the use of vans and car-pooling to save on parking costs. We will pass on any discounts in the future if any are available
- Navy Pier parking rates and advance parking sales will be sent as soon as they are made available for 2021
- Also consider parking apps like Spot Hero, Panda Parking, etc.

EVENT SCHEDULE:

- All teams, regardless of session may check in at the Lobby leading into FESTIVAL HALL ON NAVY PIER on Thursday, June 10th from 10:00 am until 6:00pm — check in entails verifying your roster, making roster changes, receiving final schedules which could include late changes, drops, etc., picking up team credentials to enter the venue, picking up reserved guest registration bands, etc..... Our staff will be on hand to answer any questions you may have. **IT IS NOT MANDATORY TO CHECK IN JUNE 10TH—YOU CAN CHECK IN BEGINNING AT 6:15 AM FRIDAY, JUNE 11TH BEFORE PLAY BEGINS!** However-if you choose to check in Thursday, June 10, and you are not staying except to check in---have someone drop you off at the East area turnaround guest drop off and come back for you to avoid parking charges!
- Teams playing June 14-15 can check in Thursday, June 10 from 10am until 6pm, Friday, June 11 from 8:00am until 6:00pm, or beginning Sunday, June 13 at 10:00am-4pm or the day you play Monday, June 14 starting at 6:15 am.
- No team can compete without checking in or can enter the hall without their credentials that coaches receive at check-in
- One coach/club director / team rep can check in all teams if necessary!
- Please report to tournament check-in for lost credentials

APPLICATION PROCEDURES/ENTRY FEES:

- Entries are accepted on a first come, first serve basis...there is no qualifying for this event and it is open to all levels of play
- There are a total maximum number of teams we can accept in each division ...so enter early...we will send confirmation as soon as we process your team registration fees
- Coaches will need to hand carry and turn in at check in JVA waiver forms for all players and staff
- Entry Fees are \$750 for the three-day event June 11-12-13- and \$475 for the two-day event June 14-15-which can be paid with a Credit Card on AES at www.advancedeventsystems.com or mailed with a check
- Full Entry Registration Fee must be included with entry form to be a valid entry that is confirmed in order of arrival in our office
- we process all entries in order of arrival
- If paying by check, mail all entry forms printed from AES with fees/ NO ROSTER NEEDED by check to:

ADDRESS TO MAIL/CORRESPOND:

ASICS® Junior National Volleyball Championships

PO BOX 92543

Henderson, Nevada 89009

www.midwestjrvolleyball.com

CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

ASICS® Junior National Volleyball Championship

Pay ONLINE AT: www.advancedeventsystems.com

ADMISSION/TOURNAMENT PASSES:

- FREE Event credentials are provided for a roster maximum of 12 players and two coaches for each team.... Club directors attending but not coaching must indicate themselves only once on one team roster—do not list your name multiple times on other team rosters in your club
- There are no chaperone passes issued—only credentials to players and coaches listed on the roster. Any personnel caught giving their credential for another person illegally using it to enter the hall will *be ejected from further participation in the tournament*

GUEST REGISTRATION FEES:

At this time, we do not know how many guests will be allowed depending on the current, if any COVID 19 capacity restriction ARE IN EFFECT. If restrictions remain, we are SELLING guest passes In ADVANCE only THRU THE TEAMS, WITH THE CAPACITY OF 20 GUEST PASSES MAXIMUM TO BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE FROM EACH TEAM. TEAMS NOT PURCHASING THE FULL 20 PASSES PER TEAM FOR GUESTS WILL ALLOW REMAINDERS TO BE OFFERED TO OTHER TEAMS WHO NEED MORE.

THE ASICS VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS IS A PRIVATE EVENT:

- Participation in or attendance at the ASICS CHAMPIONSHIPS NAVY PIER is solely by permission from the Event. The Event and Navy Pier Security may revoke that permission at any time, for any reason. All attendees, including players, coaches, officials, and guests must register and must wear their entry credential at all times. Entry credentials may not be shared with or transferred to any other person. By registering, the participant or attendee agrees to these stipulations and all Code of Conduct Rules: violators will be ejected from the event for its duration
- Personal chairs are not allowed in Navy Pier, Seating is provided at each court for spectators. Outside Food and drink is allowed in—however, no coolers allowed in Festival Hall—keep in your cars
- Weapons of all kinds and ammunition are prohibited, both open carry and concealed carry.
- Smoking and smoking devices are prohibited.
- Alcoholic beverages are prohibited inside Festival Hall.
- Illegal drugs and illegal use of any drugs are prohibited in the building.

GUEST CODE OF CONDUCT:

We have adopted the implementation of the USA Volleyball Code of Conduct and any guest or participant violating any of these rules are subject to permanent dismissal from the venue.

I WILL abide by the official rules of USA Volleyball and JVA.

I WILL display good sportsmanship at all times.

I WILL encourage my child and his/her team, regardless of the outcome on the court.

I WILL educate myself on the unique rules of this facility.

I WILL honor the rules of the host and the host facility.

I WILL generate goodwill by being polite and respectful to those around me at this event.

I WILL redirect any negative comments from others to the respective Event Director

I WILL direct all concerns regarding officials to the Head Coach for my team as opposed to - contacting the Head Official directly.

I WILL immediately notify the Event Director and/or Program Administrator in the event that I witness any illegal activity.

I WILL support the policies and guidelines of the team/club that I represent.

I WILL acknowledge effort and good performance, remembering that all of the players are amateur athletes.

I WILL model exemplary spectator behavior while attending this event.

I WILL respect the history and tradition of the sport of volleyball by being a good ambassador.

I WILL NOT harass or intimidate the officials.

I WILL NOT coach my child from the bleachers and/or sidelines.

I WILL NOT criticize my child's coach or his/her teammates.

I WILL NOT bring and/or carry any firearms into any venue.

I WILL ABIDE BY ANY COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS IN PLACE, IF ANY DURING EVENT

REFUND POLICY:

- Teams withdrawing from the tournament after entering and being accepted, who withdraw BY WRITTEN NOTIFICATION, prior to a deadline of May 1, 2020 will receive a 50% refund of entry fee
- Teams withdrawing after May 1 *WILL NOT RECEIVE A REFUND UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES!*
- If COVID-19 causes cancellation of event, full 100% will be refunded of payments made except prior credits, if any from the 2019 cancellation

FORCE MAJEURE:

- *Since our costs are fixed for the budget of running this event, in the event a match or matches must be cancelled for circumstances out of our control—no refunds can be granted, and we will impose the legal term of force majeure—this can be power/facility outages, pandemic or health concerns, terrorism threats, etc.*

WHAT TO BRING:

Each coach should hand carry and have in his/her possession the following items in case of accident or age dispute:

- Players medical release forms in case of injury (keep in your possession)
- JVA signed Waiver form for all players and staff (turn in at check in)
- Practice balls for warm up—we do not provide
- First Aid kit
- Any Masks, sanitizers, wipes, etc. Or COVID 19 protection equipment IF required

TEAM ROSTERS:

- The team roster is limited to 15 players and 2 coaches. Only those persons, whose names are listed on the roster, may sit on the player's bench during competition. Only those persons, whose names are listed on the OFFICIAL ROSTER FORM, will be issued a Championships Credential, which allows free admission into the venue for all 5 days. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- Rosters MUST be submitted in AES or if that is not possible via email to Midwestjvb@gmail.com
- DEADLINE FOR INITIAL ROSTER SUBMISSION is June 1, 2021

ROSTER CHANGES:

- Changes after June 1st must be done at tournament check in at Navy Pier Registration Desk outside FESTIVAL HALL/you may add or delete

WAIVERS

- JVA accepts players up to one year past birthday age deadlines published by USAV—simply email us at midwetjvb@gmail.com with players name and team and we will check the box for waiver

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

- The governing rules of play shall be those set forth in the most current 2020 United States Volleyball Official Rules publication, with any modifications decided upon by the tournament staff
- Any changes, additional rules, and/or modifications will be published in the tournament rules distributed at the Championships check in
- All questions, concerns, or protests shall be handled by the Championships Competition Committee, including rule changes
- *We do NOT play tie-breaker matches at this event unless the Championships Committee feels necessary*

OFFICIATING/SCOREKEEPING:

- The 2021 ASICS® Junior National Volleyball Championships is proud to have the support and cooperation of a strong core of certified volleyball officials/ referees.
- As typical of most events, teams will be required to provide scorekeepers, lines judges, and R2 officials when assigned on the master schedule...Any team failing to fulfill their officiating duties when assigned will occur a \$100 fine, second offense in the event will be expulsion from the event
- All teams should be ready to play or officiate at the scheduled times. However, the tournament committee reserves the right to move matches up in time or to open courts, if necessary, to keep on schedule. We will make every attempt to not start a match earlier than scheduled unless the two teams competing agree to do so
- If COVID-19 protocols prohibit the usual lines judges, scorekeepers and R2 help needed on each match—we will modify this at the time we know what will be permitted

TOURNAMENT RESULTS:

- Coaches must check the posted score reports on AES immediately for accuracy
- A central location pod will answer all questions about format, results, etc.
- Any errors must be reported to the Results Pod immediately prior to the next round of play by the teams impacted by the error or the results stand
- Live results and schedule on www.advancedeventsystems.com

OFFICIAL BALL:

- Mikasa will provide the official volleyballs for the event.
- 12 and under age divisions will be utilizing the Lite version of Mikasa

AWARDS:

- The top four teams in each GOLD DIVISION will receive individual medals for the players and a team award

- All first-place consolation brackets will also receive individual medals for the players for winning their respective divisions -- we know how important every level of play is-not just the Gold Division-- so we are committed to awarding these to reward and recognize all our winning teams!)
- Coaches are to check the results center as to where to go to receive your medals if you win one---they will be awarded immediately after your championship match / or officiating responsibilities

SPORTS MEDICINE:

- A sports medicine team is provided and stationed in strategic areas of the venue for emergency care and preventative taping, etc.
- Clubs must bring their own supplies or purchase them from the Staff Trainers
- We highly recommend all teams carry a first aid kit with supplies/ICE IS ONLY SUPPLIED FOR INJURIES SUSTAINED DURING THE EVENT
- Navy Pier will also have certified paramedics, police, and Emergency ambulance service available for our event in case of an injury/accident that requires such care
- Coaches make sure to carry your medical releases and information

SAFETY

- *Chicago Police Department will be assigned to the event*
- *The Chicago Fire Department monitors and patrols Navy Pier*
- *Certified EMS on duty in the Hall as well as Athletic Trainers*

SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT:

HOTEL RESERVATIONS:

Everyone reserves the right to negotiate and explore the most feasible and economic accommodations for your team(s). We are currently negotiating a hotel block of rooms if you choose to utilize them. We are currently negotiating again a host headquarter hotel---we will announce this when the decision is made....

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EXHIBITION, MEETING & SPECIAL EVENT SPACES

- 31 Aon Grand Ballroom
- 12 Crystal Gardens
- 27 Festival Hall A
- 28 Festival Hall B
- 29 Lakeview Terrace
- 30 Rooftop Terrace

MUSIC & THEATERS

- 20 Chicago Shakespeare Theater
- 26 Miller Lite Beer Garden (seasonal)
- 8 Navy Pier IMAX® Theater (under construction)
- 18 The Yard at Chicago Shakespeare (under construction)

CULTURAL ATTRACTIONS & RIDES

- 21 Amazing Chicago's Funhouse Maze
- 4 Bike & Roll Chicago (seasonal)
- 16 Centennial Wheel & Pier Park
- 3 Chicago Blackhawks Skate By The Lake (seasonal)
- 9 Chicago Children's Museum
- 25 Dreihaus Gallery of Stained Glass
- 2 Polk Bros Park
- 1 Polk Bros Fountain & Plaza
- 17 The Wave Wall
- 22 WBEZ Radio

RESTAURANTS

- 23 Billy Goat Tavern & Grill
- 6 Bubba Gump Shrimp Co. & Market
- 13 Chango Loco Mexican Cantina (seasonal)
- 19 DMK Burger Bar & Fish Bar, Lalos, Pork Chop BBQ, Feshii & Tiny Tavern (opening soon)
- 11 Food Court
- 5 Giordano's Pizza
- 7 Harry Caray's Tavern
- 14 Jimmy Buffet's Margaritaville Bar & Grill
- 10 McDonald's
- 15 New Food Experience: Big City Chicken, Big Bowl Chinese Express & Frankie's Pizza By The Slice
- 26 Miller Lite Beer Garden (seasonal)
- 24 RIVA Crab House & RIVA Cafe

SHOPPING

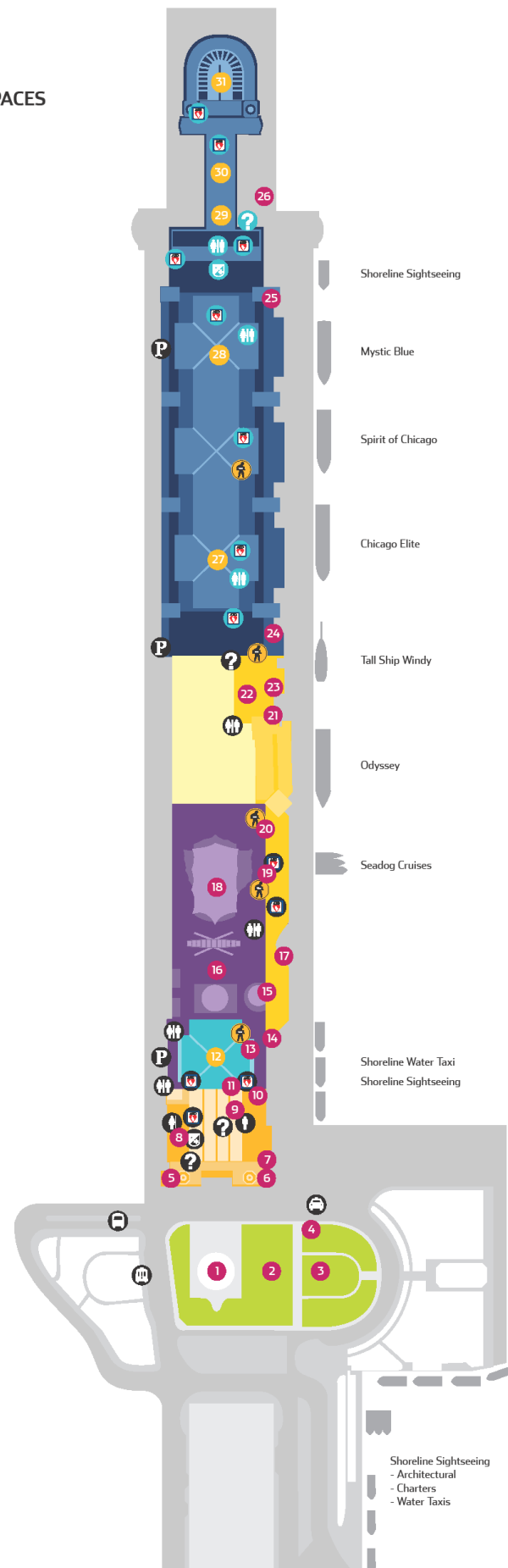
Retail kiosks and shops located throughout Navy Pier

TOUR & DINING BOATS

Along Dock Street and Ogden Slip

LEGEND

- YOU ARE HERE
- Taxi Stand
- CTA Bus Stop
- Free Trolley Stop
- Parking Entrance
- Parking Paystation
- ATM
- Security/First Aid
- Guest Services/Info
- Restrooms
- Automatic External Defibrillator



VISITOR DIRECTORY



COVID 19 UPDATE AS OF FEBRUARY 22, 2021

We do not know the future in June, 2021 if any COVID-19 Restrictions will be imposed by the City of Chicago, Cook County, State of Illinois or Navy Pier, Inc. Please be aware that all participants and attendees MUST adhere to any and all restrictions if in effect during the June 11-15, 2021 ASICS JUNIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS.

NOTE: Asics Jr National Championships will follow the most recent State and local requirements regarding COVID safety requirements pertaining to the facilities and equipment we use for the tournament. Such requirements may change frequently and we cannot predict with certainty what requirements may be in place at the time.

We urge you to stay informed about travel and facility occupancy limitations in making your plans to attend and to be prepared to follow all local requirements while at the tournament. Any of the information included about COVID safety requirements at the tournament may be changed without notice up to and including canceling the event. We anticipate that masks may still be required in June for all people inside the building playing and not playing. We anticipate there will be restrictions on spectators in the building.

We will notify all teams by the email provided on their registration forms for all updates.

Tickets will be sold in advance only at current occupancy limits—if that increases and we have additional tickets, we will offer in advance or at the venue if permitted

Ticket Form is being emailed to each team and must meet minimum orders—no individual tickets will be sold



HOTEL INFORMATION
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JUNE 11-15, 2021



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