

Dear Athlete,

We hope that you are doing well and finding ways to stay healthy and strong. As we begin the New Year, we would like to share important new information about the National Senior Games being held in Greater Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Due to the disruptions caused by the pandemic, and out of an abundance of caution, NSGA has made the decision to postpone the National Senior Games to **May 10-23, 2022**. NSGA staff is working diligently with local organizers in Greater Fort Lauderdale to finalize venues, general competition schedules and housing options. For regular updates, subscribe to our monthly newsletter at [NSGA.com](https://www.nsga.com).

Adjustments to the qualification and registration process that NSGA adopted in response to the pandemic remain in place for The Games postponed to **May 10-23, 2022**. In addition, **NSGA has extended the qualifying period through December 31, 2021**. Athletes who meet the sport/event qualification standards at a qualifying state senior games in 2021 will qualify for the National Senior Games in May of 2022. [Click Here](#) for the qualification and registration adjustments.

Registration for the National Games is expected to open in late summer of 2021, with exact dates for each registration period to be announced on [NSGA.com](https://www.nsga.com) and in our monthly e-newsletter *The Long Run*. Qualified athletes will also receive qualification emails with registration details after information is fully confirmed.

- Qualified athletes will be eligible to register for their sport/event during the Priority Registration Period.
- Athletes age 50+ by December 31, **2021**, unable to qualify in 2020 or 2021 may register for sports/events during the Open Registration Period provided that the sport/event has not reached registration capacity.
- The number of registrants may be limited for certain sports/events and registration could reach capacity at any point during the Priority Registration Period or the Open Registration Period.

NSGA supports our Member Organizations (qualifying state senior games) in their decisions regarding conducting sports/events in 2021. COVID continues to impact each state differently so the ability to stage events this year may vary by state or region. The state qualifying senior games are independently managed and directly communicating with athletes about the status of their events in 2021. NSGA encourages you to directly contact the senior games office(s) in any location(s) where you plan to participate in 2021. A directory of the state qualifying senior games with contact information is available at [NSGA.com](https://www.nsga.com) under the STATE GAMES tab.

NSGA's guiding principle is to act in the best interests of our athletes, State Senior Games, partners and staff. By postponing the Games to 2022, our hope is that COVID fears will be greatly reduced and more athletes will be comfortable with travel, training and participation.

NSGA looks forward to staging high quality Games in sunny Greater Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Sincerely,

Marc T. Riker, CEO