

Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Regulation 2024

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Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Act 2021

General Outline

Short title

Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Regulation 2024.

Authorising law

Section 62 of the *Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Act 2021*.

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

On 6 June 2024, the *Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Amendment Act 2024* (Amendment Act) amended the *Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Act 2021* (BOPGA Act) with the primary purpose of establishing the Games Venue and Legacy Delivery Authority (Authority) to ensure Queensland's readiness to successfully host, and maximise the legacy and benefits from, the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games (the Games).

Section 53AD of the BOPGA Act provides that the main functions of the Authority are to:

- deliver venues in time for the Games and within budget allocations, including managing effects on users of venues during their development;
- monitor and ensure the delivery of villages in time for the Games; and
- co-ordinate and integrate the planning and delivery of State, Commonwealth and local government obligations under, or related to, the Olympic Host Contract.

Section 5A of the BOPGA Act provides that:

- a *venue* is a site or facility, prescribed by regulation, that is to or may fulfil operational or sports-related needs for the Games; and
- a *village* is a site or facility, prescribed by regulation, that is to provide accommodation and related facilities for competitors, team officials and other team personnel for the Games.

To enable the Authority to undertake its functions related to the delivery of venues and monitoring and ensuring the delivery of villages, venues and villages must be prescribed by regulation.

The *Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Regulation 2024* (Regulation) prescribes four venues and four villages, as follows:

#	Name	Address	Description
<i>Venues</i>			
1	Sleeman Sports Complex	1699 Old Cleveland Road, Chandler 4155 Lot 1 on SP150590	It is proposed that the Sleeman Sporting Complex (the Complex) will be used for cycling and paralympic cycling, BMX racing, aquatics, gymnastics and wheelchair basketball during the Games. Significant precinct works will be carried out across the Complex to improve connection and accessibility to venues. A new Indoor Sports Centre within the Complex will provide legacy value for basketball and gymnastics training and events, as well as community facilities for volleyball and other sports. Refurbishment of the Brisbane Aquatic Centre will enhance the centre as an aquatic legacy for elite athletes, the public, schools and clubs in and around the region. Minor works to the Anna Meares Velodrome and BMX SuperCross track (to occur closer to the Games following an investment decision by the Queensland and Commonwealth governments) will also provide ongoing community benefits.
2	Sunshine Coast Stadium	320 Nicklin Way, Bokarina 4575 Lot 2 on SP163937	It is proposed this existing venue will be upgraded and used for football preliminaries during the Games. Upgrades to the stadium will ensure it continues to attract national and international events, bringing social and economic opportunities to the local community. The upgrades will create more seating, improve facilities for athletes and officials, add multi-purpose community spaces and universal amenities with access for people of all abilities.
3	Sunshine Coast Indoor Sports Centre	320 Nicklin Way, Bokarina 4575	It is proposed this new venue will be used for basketball preliminaries during the Games. The venue will be a sustainable, modern facility suitable for a range of indoor sports and community uses. It is proposed to have 11 courts and multifunctional areas that can be used for basketball, netball, volleyball, pickleball, futsal and badminton.
4	Sunshine Coast Mountain Bike Centre	348 Yandina Bli Bli Road, Parklands 4560	It is proposed that the Sunshine Coast Mountain Bike Centre is upgraded and used for mountain biking events during the Games, as well as supporting the growing demand for nature trails and nature-based recreational activities before and after the Games.

Villages			
1	Brisbane Athlete Village	Northshore Hamilton Priority Development Area	Northshore Hamilton is proposed to host the main athlete village for the Games and is proposed to accommodate around 10,800 beds for athletes and team officials. After the Games, the village is proposed to provide around 1,750-2,000 new permanent dwellings for South-East Queensland's growing population, located within the Northshore Hamilton Priority Development Area.
2	Gold Coast Athlete Village	Robina Town Centre Drive, Robina 4226	The Gold Coast Athlete Village is proposed to accommodate around 2,600 beds for athletes and team officials for the Games. After the Games, the village is proposed to provide around 500 permanent dwellings for South-East Queensland's growing population and enhance ongoing urban development of the Robina Town Centre.
3	Kooralbyn Satellite Athlete Village	Routley Drive, Kooralbyn 4285	The Kooralbyn Satellite Athlete Village is proposed to accommodate up to 1,200 beds for athletes and officials.
4	Sunshine Coast Athlete Village	Maroochydore City Centre Priority Development Area	The Sunshine Coast Athlete Village is proposed to accommodate around 1,374 beds for athletes and team officials during the Games. It is proposed that following the Games, the village will provide around 300 permanent dwellings.

The four venues prescribed have each received investment approval from the Queensland and Commonwealth governments and were identified in the *IOC Future Host Commission Questionnaire Response Final Submission – May 2021* (the FHQ Response), which forms part of the Olympic Host Contract, and the Queensland Government's March 2024 response to the independent Sport Venue Review.

While due diligence on the four villages is ongoing, the villages prescribed were identified in the FHQ Response and are the planned sites or facilities to provide accommodation and related facilities for competitors, team officials and other team personnel during the Games.

Achievement of policy objectives

By prescribing the venues and villages, the Regulation will enliven the Authority's ability to deliver the venues and monitor and ensure the delivery of the villages. This will enable development on and around those sites and areas identified by the State as a location for infrastructure to be used for the Games; facilitate the State's obligations under the Olympic Host Contract; and ensure Queensland's readiness to successfully host, and maximise the legacy and benefits from, the Games.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The Regulation is consistent with one of the primary objectives of the BOPGA Act, which is to establish the Authority to ensure Queensland's readiness to successfully host, and maximise the legacy and benefits from, the Games.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

The Regulation is consistent with the policy objectives of other legislation. Once prescribed, the planning and land acquisition powers in Chapter 3, Part 4 of the Act will apply to venues and villages. These powers are consistent with the frameworks already in place under the *Planning Act 2016*, *Economic Development Act 2012* and *Acquisition of Land Act 1967*.

Alternative ways of achieving policy objectives

There are no alternative ways of achieving the policy objectives.

Benefits and costs of implementation

The Regulation will have the benefit of enabling the Authority to deliver venues and monitor and ensure the delivery of villages in time for the Games. The Authority will deliver venues within the funding envelope agreed between the Queensland and Commonwealth governments.

The planning and land acquisition powers in Chapter 3, Part 4 of the Act will apply to venues and villages once prescribed. These powers require a further regulation and at that point, any benefits and costs will be considered.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The BOPGA Act permits venues and villages to be prescribed by regulation (sections 5A and 62). Parliament recognised that it was impracticable to definitively list the venues and villages in the BOPGA Act, and changes to the prescribed venues and villages may be required over time, including once the final program of sports is determined by the International Olympic Committee in 2025.

Fundamental legislative principles were considered extensively during the development of the Amendment Act. The proposed regulation has sufficient regard to rights and liberties of individuals, is within the power of the BOPGA Act and is consistent with the policy objectives of the BOPGA Act because it proposes to prescribe only those venues and villages that have been identified as a venue or village for the Games in the Olympic Host Contract and/or the Queensland Government's March 2024 response to the independent Sport Venue Review.

Accordingly, no potential inconsistencies with fundamental legislative principles have been identified.

Consultation

In recognition of the significant funding commitments made by the Commonwealth Government towards venues which will support the delivery of the Games and are proposed for inclusion in the regulation, the Commonwealth Government was consulted during development of the regulation.

The planning and land acquisition powers in Chapter 3, Part 4 of the BOPGA Act will apply to venues and villages once prescribed. These powers require a further regulation and at that point, any impacts on, and necessary consultation with, other agencies will be considered at that time.

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