



Important Medical Information – Dakar 2026 Youth Olympic Games

Dear Prospective Team Members and Parent/Carers,

With 150 days to go until the Australian Youth Olympic Team assembles in Dakar, the AOC would like to share some important medical information that ensures the health, safety and welfare of all travelling Team Members preparing for the Dakar 2026 Youth Olympic Games (YOG).

Vaccination Information

The Australian Olympic Committee (AOC) has released the Vaccination Policy for the Dakar 2026 YOG which can be accessed via the link below. The Policy aims to reduce the risk of acquiring and transmitting a vaccine preventable disease taking into consideration the high-risk environmental factors associated with travel to West Africa.

[Dakar 2026 YOG - Vaccination Policy](#)

The Policy has been developed and approved by the AOC Medical Commission and Chief Medical Officer for Dakar 2026 YOG, Dr Samantha Pomroy.

The Policy includes a table of “mandatory” and “strongly recommended” vaccinations for those travelling to Dakar.

The AOC have provided high-level advice about recommended timings for the vaccinations. It is important that all team members, as soon as possible, take this document to their GP and let their GP decide how to optimise vaccinations prior to departure.

The AOC is pleased to announce that reimbursement will be provided to all Team Members for the cost of receiving the mandatory vaccinations including the doctor’s consultation fee.

The policy mandates that all Team Members receive the following vaccinations/medication:

- Yellow Fever (government mandated)
- Meningococcal
- Antimalarial Tablets

The policy also strongly recommends that all Team Members receive the following vaccinations:

- Boostrix-IPV
- Influenza
- Covid-19
- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Typhoid
- Dukoral

The policy provides further detail on the timing of when to receive each vaccination and the dosage. The AOC understands the need for Team Members to know how many days they will be in Dakar to ensure they receive the correct course of antimalarial tablets. The AOC will confirm this with each National Federation in the coming weeks.

To action:

1. Book a travel vaccination consultation with your GP as soon as possible to discuss the optimal vaccine regime.
2. Request a yellow fever and meningococcal vaccination and antimalarial tablets
3. Request and keep a copy of the tax invoice/receipt
4. Complete the reimbursement form linked below by 1 October 2026, uploading a photo of your tax invoice/receipt. Please note you can expect to receive reimbursement by 12 October 2026
5. Upload a copy of your Medicare Vaccination record to the AMS (you will be required to upload this as part of the Medical Screening Questionnaire – see below)

[Vaccination and Medication Reimbursement Form](#)

Medical Screening Questionnaire

As part of the preparation for the Dakar 2026 Youth Olympic Games, all Team Members are required to complete a brief Medical Screening Questionnaire.

The information provided by Team Members in this Questionnaire will assist the Medical Team in understanding each Team Member's medical history and ensure appropriate medical support can be provided if required during the Games.

When completing the questionnaire, you will also be requested to upload confirmation of completed mandatory vaccinations to the AMS platform.

The Medical Screening Questionnaire will be available through the Athlete Management System (AMS).

Further information and instructions will be provided on this process in the coming weeks.

Ebola

You may be aware of the recent outbreak of Ebola virus in Africa. Currently, the cases are limited to the Central African nations of Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and Uganda. There are no reported cases in other countries. Senegal is in West Africa, a significant distance away from the outbreak. At this stage, no specific action is required in relation to the Ebola outbreak. We will continue to take advice and to monitor the situation. We will provide a further update in the coming weeks.

If you have any questions regarding this medical update, please contact your sport directly or the Australian Olympic Committee at team@olympics.com.au