

## Hawrelak Park Lake safe for ITU World Triathlon event

August 31, 2016

Recent testing has confirmed that the area of Hawrelak Park Lake in which the ITU World Triathlon is scheduled to take place is safe for the swimming event. Test results show that, though blue-green algae is still present in the lake water, the concentration of blue-green algae cells has been reduced to such an extent as to no longer pose risk to the health of the athletes competing in this event.

Thanks to the collaboration of the ITU World Triathlon Edmonton, Alberta Environment and Parks, Alberta Health Services and the City of Edmonton, the ITU World Triathlon Series will go ahead, as planned, from September 2-4, 2016.

Treatments and testing will continue through the event weekend to ensure water safety is maintained for all athletes. Please note that though the water has been approved for use for the Triathlon, the bluegreen algae advisory remains in effect for all areas of the lake in which the blue-green algae bloom is visible.

The City of Edmonton looks forward to hosting another successful event and we encourage everyone to come out and cheer on the athletes.

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