

Evesham Rowing club Important Notice to all competitors

Evesham Rowing Club hope you all enjoy your racing and will help us to ensure the competition runs as smoothly and efficiently as possible.

- 1. Crews must report to registration at least 1 hour before racing to collect their number which must be worn by bow and cox during racing.
- 2. Remember all boats must have a clearly visible boat ID number.
- 3. Empacher style numbers are only to be used for the head races. These numbers will be collected by someone from ERC from each crew as you leave the landing stage after each race. If the number fails to be collected, can you please ensure the number is returned to registration.
- 4. As entry is by BROE licenses must only be handed to Registration if you qualify for a final. No prizes will be given until licenses have been examined.
- 5. All substitutions must be notified to registration prior to a crew's first race in an event.
- 6. Every competitor will wear the colours of the club he/she is representing in the race concerned.

 Crews representing a single club shall wear a uniform racing strip.
- 7. Practising on the Regatta course or anywhere on the river is not allowed it is dangerous and any crew found doing so will be subject to disqualification.
- 8. No row-over will be permitted at any time, except in a final where the remaining competitor must row over to claim their prize.
- 9. Prizes will be withheld or withdrawn from any competitors if errors of status are found or if misrepresentation has taken place.
- 10. No doubling up of boats, crews or any equipment is allowed within a division.
- 11. Crews must report to the boat marshalling area in good time. At regattas crews must report with their opposition. No crew will be allowed to boat without their opposition. Time Penalties or disqualification may be given to crews who are late to boat control commission.
- 12. The crew must ensure that their boat and life jackets comply with the Rules of Racing and Row Safe Guide. Random safety checks will be carried out.

- 13. All coxes must be weighed before racing and given a weight certificate that must be carried at all times. If required, coxes are requested to bring their own dead weights, which must comply with Rules of British Rowing and the Rules of Racing. Checks may be made.
- 14. Please ensure all boats are taken from the control commission area to the river between the tennis courts and the fence and return from the river to the trailer field on the path between the river and the fence.
- 15. For the regatta the lowest number crew will row on the boathouse side.
- 16. Crews shall leave the landing stage only when authorised to do so by the landing stage marshals.
- 17. Please ensure you are familiar with the map of the course and the circulation pattern on the river.
- 18. Competitors must comply with all instructions issued by umpires, marshals or safety officials positioned along the course.
- 19. At the finish of each race, a bell will be rung from the Judge's tent.
- 20. In a regatta in the event of a dead heat, the crews shall return to the start (without disembarking) and the race will be re-rowed.
- 21. All other boats must return to the trailer field after each race.
- 22. Communications with a crew during a race OTHER than by unaided voice may be deemed outside assistance. Therefore, shouting is acceptable, radio and megaphone are NOT. Coaches must not use bikes to follow a race. The tow-path is too busy to make this safe.
- 23. The Race Committee reserves the right to make any alterations to the programme as may be considered necessary for the better running of the event.
- 24. First Aid can be called via any Marshall or Umpire.
- 25. For EMERGENCY SERVICES dial 999. Mobile phones will be in registration for emergencies only.
- 26. The nearest Hospital is half a mile away on the opposite side of the river from the club, between the 2 bridges and about 300m from the Abbey Road Bridge.
- 27. Any competitor that falls into the river under any circumstances will not be allowed to race again until BR's capsize procedure has been followed (showering etc), dry kit has been obtained and first aid has authorised it. If the capsize happens on the way to the start the competitor may proceed to the start at the discretion of the nearest umpire or marshal.
- 28. The Race Committee accepts no responsibility for competitor's (or spectator's) personal property.
- 29. In the interests of safety, no open fires are allowed.
- 30. Please help us to keep the field clean by putting all rubbish in the bins/bags provided.