



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 during racing.
2. Entry is by BROE. Competitors should be able to present their digital BR membership card or Day Ticket when requested. Other photo ID may be accepted. Prizes may be withheld if identity cannot be confirmed.
3. All substitutions must be notified to registration prior to a crew's first race in an event.
4. Prizes will be withheld or withdrawn from any competitors if errors of status are found or if misrepresentation has taken place.
5. No doubling up of boats, crews or any equipment is allowed within a division.
6. Remember all boats must have a clearly visible boat ID number.
7. 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.
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. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.

12. 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.
13. Crews shall leave the landing stage only when authorised to do so by the landing stage marshals.
14. Please ensure you are familiar with the map of the course and the circulation pattern on the river. For the regatta, boat circulation is shown on the relevant course map. For the head the circulation pattern see notes below.
15. 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.
16. Competitors must comply with all instructions issued by umpires, marshals or safety officials positioned along the course.
17. 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.
18. At the finish of each race, a bell will be rung from the Judge's tent.
19. Boats must return to the trailer field after each race. (except in the case of a regatta dead heat, see Regatta point 3)
20. 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.
21. First Aid will be based in the club car park and can be called via radio by any Marshall or Umpire.
22. PLEASE READ THE SAFETY PLAN FOR THE EVENT <https://www.erc.club/wp-content/uploads/ERC-Event-Safety-Plan-All-Events-2025.pdf>
23. If you have an issue and cannot continue rowing, try to get the attention of the nearest marshal, who can report your situation to race control and safety to assist with
24. For EMERGENCY SERVICES dial 999. Mobile phones will be in registration for emergencies only.
25. 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.
26. The Race Committee accepts no responsibility for competitor's (or spectator's) personal property.
27. In the interests of safety, no open fires are allowed.
28. Please help us to keep the field clean by putting all rubbish in the bins/bags provided.

Regatta

1. For the regatta the lowest number crew will row on the boathouse side.
2. Practice starts 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.
3. 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.

Head

1. There are several locations where trees are encroaching into the river care must be taken along the full 2km and 4km courses. Particular care must be taken through the bends and at the exit of the bends near the 2km start.
2. If you are caught by a faster crew, the slower crew should move to starboard and yield to the faster crew, allowing the faster crew to overtake on the club side of the river.
3. Empacher style numbers are used for the head races. These numbers will be collected by someone from ERC on the landing stage after each race. If the number is not collected, please return the number to registration.

Head 2km Course

Crews come through Boat Commission in Crown Meadow stern first and boat with bows pointing downstream. Crews row down keeping to the clubhouse side, row past the 2km start, through the 'S' bends. All crews then move over to the opposite side of the river to row under the large arch (sewerage outlet side) of the railway bridge. Crews should then turn when instructed to do so and will be sent to their marshalling zone on the Rugby Club/clubs side, lowest number first, passing under the other (clubside) bridge arch.



Looking downstream to the railway bridge.