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The Legend of Qu Yuan

The Tuen Ng (Dragon Boat Festival) traditionally commemorates a heroic gesture and a tragic event which took place in ancient China more than 2000 years ago.

The government of the Kingdom of Chu was a corrupt one, and after jealous rivals falsely accused him of treason, a well-loved statesman, warrior and poet, 'Qu Yuan' (pronounced Chu Ywan), was banished. In despair and, perhaps as a final act of protest against the government, he threw himself into the Mi Lo River and drowned.

The Chinese people have never forgotten this desperate heroic act and when fishermen raced their boats to recover his body before it could be devoured by fish (beating drums and throwing rice dumplings into the river to distract them) they founded a tradition that continues to this day.

Each year, on the fifth day of the fifth lunar month (usually June) crews of paddlers re-enact that frantic rush to save Qu Yuan, by powering long narrow boats with the ferocious heads of dragons mounted on the prow through the water, to the frenzied, rhythmic beating of drums. It is not known how the dragon boat prow came into being, but it is thought that over the years, they were added to ward off evil water spirits. This probably arose because the combination of the 5th lunar numbers is thought to be a bad omen and dragon boat races held, at this time, would ward off evil spirits; protect the health of the people and ensure a good crop each year.

Special foods are also eaten at this time of year, especially in Hong Kong, including replicas of the Rice Dumplings that the fishermen threw into the Milo River, all those years ago in a desperate attempt to save Qu Yuan.

The Eye Dotting Ceremony

Dragons in South East Asia are looked upon with great reverence and are to be worshipped. Chinese Emperors of old called themselves 'Dragons', so dragon boats have good spirits, dedicated to providing enjoyment for the racers. Before the races commence a Taoist Priest will offer prayers to the spirits of the dragon boats.

The priest then makes offerings of fruit, jasmine tea, alcohol and rice. These offerings appease the spirits of the water and calm them in preparation for the racing ahead. If that was not done, legend has it that the Water Gods would clash with the Dragon spirits of the boats, with potentially disastrous consequences.

Also offered at this time is symbolic money, bank notes from the Bank of Hell. The smoke from these notes goes to Heaven and appeases the Gods to ensure safety and good racing. He will also throw some notes on to the water for the Sea Gods. Having warded off evil spirits with his earlier prayers the priest can now bring the dragon boats to life and make them strong for the racing ahead.

Finally, having successfully resuscitated the 'dragons' the priest offers thanks to heaven and the Gods, paving the way for future successful races. The boats are now ready to battle!

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PREAMBLE

The IDBF Competition Regulations, as now published in this Eight Edition, Issue1 have been revised and updated, following the 17th IDBF Members Congress on 26th August 2019.

The changes made to these regulations since 2005 are shown as an appendix at the end of this document.

Where the number of a Regulation has been changed, due to new Regulation being introduced, the old Regulation number is shown in brackets after the current one.

INTRODUCTION AND OBJECT

- 1. These Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing are formulated by the Competition and Technical Commission (C&TC) of the IDBF. Amendments and additions have been made as a result of the practical experience gained at Dragon Boat Races held throughout the world during the period of 1996 to 2006 and as a result of the updated IDBF Bye-Laws published in 2004 and 2008.
- 2. These Regulations do not contain information on the bidding procedures for IDBF Championships. Such information and organisational guidelines are published as part of the IDBF Bye-Laws and are available, on request, from the IDBF Administration.
- 3. The object of these Regulations and Rules is to provide clear and concise legislation for the organisation, administration, conduct and control of Sport Dragon Boat Racing for competitors, Event Organisers and Race Officials alike.

A: SCOPE & DUTIES

A1. General Conditions

The IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing for International Regattas are primarily designed for use at IDBF Championship *Regattas* and IDBF sanctioned *or approved Events* (see A11.6 for definitions) such as, International Races for Representative National or Territorial Teams and *IDBF Members* Club Crews. Although not compulsory for traditional Festival Races or International Races for Club Crews, *not approved by the IDBF*, where local rules will normally apply, the IDBF Regulations and Rules may be adopted by such races and by an *IDBF Governing Association* in the event that local rules do not exist, or are inappropriate. (Aug 11)

- **A2. IDBF Members and other organisations may use these Regulations and Rules, for Sport and Festival Racing, provided that** they publish in their publications; race literature and Race Programmes' an acknowledgement to include the words this event is organised in accordance with the Regulations and Rules of the International Dragon Boat Federation. In such circumstances Event Organiser should inform the IDBF Secretariat of the publication details
- A3. The IDBF COMPETITION REGULATIONS cover the technical organisation, regulation and administration of a Dragon Boat Competition at International level as a whole, including matters of safety and protocol. In broad terms the Regulations relate to 'off the water' matters but also include Policy documents on Water Safety and Anti-Doping measures.

THE COMPETITION REGULATIONS ARE DETAILED IN - PART 1

A4. The **IDBF RULES OF RACING** cover the **conduct of the races** during the competition and include the roles of the Race Officials and matters of discipline. In broad terms the Racing Rules relate to **'on the water'** matters.

THE RULES OF RACING ARE DETAILED IN - PART 2.

A5. Boats and Paddles

There are a number of different sizes and designs of Dragon Boat, raced at Dragon Boat Festivals around the world (see Competition Regulation 5.4). The IDBF accepts that such dragon boats may be used in IDBF sanctioned races. It is not the intention or purpose of these Competition Regulations to exclude the use of any traditional design of dragon boat at IDBF sanctioned competitions.

However, in the interests of developing the sport in new areas around the World and as the preferred Dragon Boat for use at IDBF World Championships, the IDBF Congress has approved the introduction of different specifications (sizes) of IDBF International Racing Dragon Boats.

When published, the manufacturing specifications for the IDBF International Racing Dragon Boats and the IDBF Racing Paddle form part of these Competition Regulations. Both are common to the traditional designs used in Hong Kong. (See Annexes A and B to Competition Regulation 5.2 for the outline drawings of the boat and paddle designs).

A6. Continental and Regional Organisations

Continental and Regional organisations recognised by the IDBF are required under the IDBF Bye-Law 16, to ensure that their own Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing generally follow those of the IDBF. Where there are differences specific to a particular Continental or Regional organisation, these will be included, when notified, as an Annex to these Competition Regulations.

A7. Title

These Regulations and Rules are established by the International Dragon Boat Federation (IDBF) and shall be known as the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing.

A8. Purposes

The purposes of these Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing are to:

- **A8.1** provide a consistent framework for the organisation, regulation and control of Dragon Boat Regattas and other Dragon Boat Competitions;
- **A8.2** provide a basis on which fair and equal racing can take place in safety;
- **A8.3** ensure that the IDBF Safety on the Water guidelines for competition are always complied with and given precedence to.

A9. Interpretation

These Regulations and Rules shall be interpreted to affect their Purposes as described in A8. above. The provisions of these Regulations and Rules should be interpreted consistently with each other whenever possible. When such an interpretation is not possible the more specific should prevail over the general and any provisions concerning safety must take precedence.

A10. Situations not covered

In situations not covered by these **Competition Regulations**, with the exception of IDBF Championships, the **Race Organiser** as defined in the Regulations is empowered to make such decisions and to give such instructions as are necessary to carry out the Race Organiser's responsibilities and effect the Purposes of A8 above. For IDBF Championships the opinion of the C&TC should be sought.

For situations not covered by the **Rules of Racing**, except for IDBF Championships, the **Chief Official** as defined in the Rules shall be empowered as above, in respect of the said Rules.

For IDBF World Championship Regattas, the IDBF Jury, acting on behalf of the IDBF Executive Committee is empowered to make such decisions and to give such instructions as are necessary to effect the Purposes of A8 above concerning the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing (Aug 10). This Regulation does not affect the over-riding authority of the IDBF Executive Committee, Council or C&TC under the IDBF Statutes and Bye-Laws.

A11. Glossary & General Definitions

The following terms of words as applicable to Dragon Boating shall apply throughout the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing:

- A11.1 Attention, when used by the Starter, shall mean 'You must now be ready to Race'
- A11.3 Crew shall mean an entity comprised of more than one competing Racer who group together for the purpose of competing in a Dragon Boat Race, Event or Regatta. A crew shall be considered an entity subject to these Regulations and Rules and members of a crew shall be collectively responsible for its conduct in a race, event or regatta in which the crew competes. A crew, to be recognised by the IDBF, must be registered with or affiliated to an IDBF Controlling (Governing) Association and when the crew is part of a Dragon Boat Club, the Club is also responsible for the conduct of their competing crew or crews.
- **A11.3.1 Breast Cancer & All Survivors Crews** (BCP/ACP). Dragon Boat Crews formed from competitors who have been diagnosed with Breast Cancer or another form of Cancer.
- **A11.3.2** Disability Groups Crews (Adaptive Paddlers). Crews formed from competitors with physical or mental conditions that limit their movements, senses or activities. (Aug 10)
- **A11.4 Doping** consists of the use, whether intentional or negligent, of any one or more IOC prohibited therapeutic substances, or of blood or blood products and/or of pharmacological, physical or chemical manipulation aimed at making these substances difficult to detect.
- **A11.6 Event** shall mean a Dragon Boat contest or competition or an activity in which Dragon Boats are used in a water-based environment.
- A11.6.1 An IDBF Sanctioned Event. IDBF Sanctioning, is given where the Dragon Boat organisation concerned is operating to organisational and safety standards that comply with the requirements of the IDBF Rules and Regulations; Water Safety Policy and Safety Advice. For example, a Championship Regatta
- A11.6.2 An IDBF Approved Event. IDBF Approval is given where the Dragon Boat organisation concerned has notified the IDBF that it is operating to organisational and safety standards that are acceptable to the IDBF but where the full IDBF Competition Regulations are not necessarily applied. For example, an IDBF Affiliate.
- **A11.8** *Italic type shown in brackets* in these Regulations and Rules shall indicate comment or explanation rather than a Regulation or Rule.
- **A11.9 The Masculine** shall include the feminine and vice-versa, except where the contrary appears specific.
- **A11.10 May** when used in describing the duties of officials in these Regulations and Rules implies the exercise of discretion and judgement in the light of training, knowledge and experience of the sport.

- **A11.11 Organising Committee** is the group of people who take responsibility for the organisation and running of a Regatta or an Event.
- **A11.12 Public Warning** is a penalty that may be awarded by the Chief Official at a Regatta, which involves the announcement over the public address system of an 'Official Warning' and the circumstances of the offence (*for examples see A11.15*) and the name of the crew club or individual involved.
- **A11.13 Race** is a contest between two or more Dragon Boats or a number of Races in one Competition Class.
- **A11.14 Regatta** is a group of one or more Races in different Competition Classes managed by one Organising Committee.
- **A11.15 Un-sportsman-like Conduct or Behaviour** shall include failure to heed an instruction from a Race Official; use of obscene language or gestures; delaying the start of a race without just cause; disregard for the IDBF principles of fairness or Safety; or abusive behaviour towards any official, competitor or spectator.
- **A11.16 World Championships.** The following administrative terms of clarification are primarily for use by Organising Committees of IDBF World Championships:
 - 1. **Group:** The total number of people **shown on the numerical Summary List** of those attending an IDBF World Championships, as submitted by the controlling association of the country concerned.
 - 2. **Team:** All those personnel in a **Representative Team** as shown on the **Named Entry Form** for an IDBF World Championships, that is, the Competitors and Team Management personnel (*Officials, Coaches, Medics*) and including Senior and Junior competitors, when joint championships are held.
 - 3. **Squad/Division:** Squad, those people **in a particular World Championship Division**, when a Team consists of competitors in the Junior and Senior Racing Classes (*Division*) in addition to the Open, Women or Mixed, any age, racing classes.
 - For example, the Premier Division is all competitors in any age Open, Women and Mixed competitions, who thus form the Premier Squad.
 - The total number of people in a particular Squad will include all the competitors, plus their relevant coaches, managers etc. (It is therefore possible for Junior and Senior competitors to be listed in the Premier Squad, as well as their own age group Squad).
 - 4. **Crew:** Those competitors who will **actually race in a particular Competition Class** (Premier Mixed 250m or Premier Open 1000m, for example) at an IDBF World Championships, **as listed on the Crew List** submitted for that Competition Class.
 - 5. **Delegates and Officials:** Those people **listed on the Named Entry Form,** with the Representative Team, who are shown as IDBF Congress delegates or IDBF Technical Officials or National Race Officials attending an IDBF World Championships as accredited Supporting Officials.
 - 6. **Supporters:** Any person **accompanying a Representative Team**, who is not listed in any of the above categories but whose name has been notified to a World Championships Organising Committee, by the IDBF Controlling Association concerned, as a nationally Accredited Supporter.

Such accredited supporters should be included in the Summary List submitted to the Organising Committee at an IDBF World Championships.

7. Fit to Race. This statement means not just the physical ability of a competitor to undertake the race concerned but it also means that there are no known medical reasons why the competitor concerned should not compete during the whole period of an IDBF World Championships.

B: DEFINITIONS - EXTRACTED FROM IDBF BYE-LAW 3 (BL1).

BL 3.1 The Dragon Boat (Long Zhou)

The Dragon Boat *(Long Zhou)* is defined within the Competition Regulations as a long displacement boat of an open design, that is based upon a rib less carvel form of hull construction, with the following distinguishing characteristics; no stems, hard chine bilge; W in cross section, minimum freeboard, punt-like entry and exit; rockered keel that is set back from the twin rail boards, and curved sheer line with upsweep extremities.

Traditionally made from teak wood, the Long Zhou which originated in Southern China, is commonly called a 'Chinese Dragon Boat'. The boat's main distinguishing features are a mythical Asian-style dragon head attached to the prow (*front*); and a stylised dragons tail attached to the Stern (*rear*), with dragons' scales painted along the sides of the boat.

On some types of dragon boat a brass Gong is mounted in the centre of the boat. The length of a boat may vary from around 8 metres to over 18 metres. The width and internal depth of the boat will vary, according to the length and purpose of the boat, as does the number of people in its crew, which will normally exceed ten (10), especially when in a competition.

Propulsion and Control. (3.3). The Dragon Boat is propelled *(moved through the water)* by the muscular force of its crew sitting in a forward-facing position and using small single bladed paddles as simple levers on the water. (June 04). The boat is guided *(Steered)* using a long steering oar that is rigged using Thole pins located at the rear of the boat or with a large paddle. A Chinese style drum, together with a Drummer's seat, is situated in the bow, by which the stroke cadence of the crew is usually maintained.

BL 3.4 (1.2) Object

The object of Dragon Boat Racing is to race crews in Dragon Boats over a clearly defined course in the shortest possible time, in a controlled and prescribed manner.

BL 3.6 (1.4) Dragon Boat Crews.

A Dragon Boat crews' classification is determined by the age, sex, ability and nationality of the crew members (see the IDBF Competition Regulations for definitions). Crew Members in a dragon boat shall normally be defined as:

- **3.6.1.** (1.4.1) **Competitor.** Any member of a Dragon Boat crew.
- **3.6.2.** (1.4.2) **Paddler.** A crew member whose specific task is to propel a boat forward with a single bladed paddle.
- **3.6.3.** (1.4.3) **Steerer (Duo)** or Helm/Sweep. The crew member whose specific task is to steer a boat and manoeuvre with the aid of a Steering Oar or Paddle.
- **3.6.4.** (1.4.4) **Drummer (Gu).** The crew member whose specific task is to beat a Drum carried on board the Dragon Boat.
- **3.6.5.** (1.4.5) **Gong Beater.** A crew member whose task it is to beat the traditional Gong carried on certain types of dragon boat.
- **3.6.6.** (1.4.6) **Flag Puller** A crew member whose task is to remove a flag placed on a buoy at the Finish Point, in some types of races, the purpose of which is to indicate that a boat has finished a race and therefore a race time and placing order can be determined, for each crew.

BL 3.7 (1.5) International Competition

Competitions arranged by the IDBF, its Members, or other organisations recognised by the IDBF, shall be International if teams of competitors or crews of another country or territory are invited to participate. There are two types of International Competitions' recognised by the IDBF – namely OPEN and CLOSED.

- 3.7.1. Open Competition. An OPEN Dragon Boat Competition is one in which generally DragonBoat Crews from IDBF Member organisations take part. Subject to the IDBF Bye- Laws and Competition Regulations, crews from Countries where an IDBF Member does not exist and from non-IDBF organisations may also compete against IDBF Member crews.
- 3.7.2. Closed Competition. A CLOSED Dragon Boat Competition is one organised by a non-IDBF Member sports organisation for the sole benefit of its own Members and/or crews from another non-IDBF Member sports organisation or any entity whose own Constitution restricts it to defined fields of exclusive activity for its own Members or Guests.

BL 3.8 (1.6) Classes

There shall be three classes of International competitions recognised by the IDBF under the general title of International Regattas, namely:

- 3.8.1. (1.6.2) Dragon Boat Championship Regattas.
- 3.8.2. (1.6.1) International Dragon Boat Races.
- 3.8.3 World and Continental Cups

BL 3.9 (1.9) Dragon Boat Championship Regattas.

The following competitions shall be recognised as Dragon Boat Championship *Regattas* by the IDBF:

- **3.9.1.** (1.9.1) **IDBF World Championship Regattas** as detailed in the Competition Regulations.
- 3.9.2. (1.9.2) Continental Championship Regattas.
- **3.9.3.**(1.9.3) **Regional and National Championships**. Regional Championships may be organised where a Continental Federation does not exist. The words 'National Championships', are taken to mean any nationally based competition, such as a National League or Cup competition that is organised or sanctioned by an IDBF Member Association, for the crews in membership of the Association concerned
- **3.9.4.** (1.9.4) *Multi Sport Games*. see 3.14 & 3.15

BL 3.10 (1.7) Championships Races

(National Championships excepted) may be held for either **Representative** Crews or **Club** Crews, as defined in this Bye-Law. Championship Races shall be conducted under IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing. Championship races are considered by the IDBF to be Sport Racing events as defined in Bye-Law 3.3.2.

- **3.10.1.** (1.8.2) **Representative Crew Races**, are races organised specifically for crews that have been selected to represent their country or territory by an IDBF governing association or a member of a Continental or Regional Federation.
- **3.10.2.** (1.8.1) **Club Crew Races,** are International Races organised or sanctioned by the IDBF and its Members, or other organisations, for crews that are not representing a country or territory.

By definition crews that are not selected on a national or territorial basis are Club Crews. IDBF Members may only send crews representing their own Clubs, to Club Crew Races.

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BL 3.11 (1.12) Only crews representing an IDBF Full Member will normally be allowed to compete in an IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championships. An IDBF Basic; Associate; Temporary Member or a Dragon Boat Organisation from an area where there is no IDBF Governing Association, may be permitted to compete at the discretion of the IDBF Executive Committee.

BL 3.12 (1.10) IDBF Titles

IDBF titles shall only be used for Dragon Boat Championships that are organised directly by the IDBF, or its agents, such as an IDBF *Governing* Association, in accordance with a decision of the Congress. In a continent where a continental federation, recognised by the IDBF, exists any Continental Championship held shall bear the title of the federation concerned and not that of the IDBF.

BL 3.13 (1.8) International Dragon Boat Races

International Races may be held for either **Club** Crews or **Representative** crews. (1.7) For International Races sanctioned by the IDBF, the IDBF Rules of Racing and Safety Regulations must be adopted (Aug 11) and the Competition Regulations should be adopted where appropriate. Dependent on the circumstances in which they are held, International Races can be either Festival or Sport Racing events, as defined in Bye-Law 3.3.1 & 2.

International Races for Representative Crews must be organised or sanctioned by an IDBF *Governing* Association. Corporate Races, such as those held as part of the World Corporate games; Masters Games; Fire-fighters Games and the like, *are* defined as Festival Racing, for the purpose of these Bye- Laws *and* should seek approved status from the IDBF.

BL 3.14 Multi-Sport Games

Dragon Boat Competitions that take place as part of an International Multi-sport games, such as the Olympic Games and the like, are accepted as being Dragon Boat Championship Races for the purpose of this Bye-Law, provided that such racing has received IDBF sanctioning, that is, all such Dragon Boat Competitions shall be held in accordance with the IDBF Competition Regulations concerning Water Safety, Technical facilities and organisation and the selection of Race Officials and will always be conducted under the IDBF Rules of Racing.

BL 3.15 (1.11) Sport Racing held as part of an *International Multi Sport Games*, shall have the same status as an IDBF Championship.

BL 3.16 World and Continental Cups.

World Cup competitions shall be sanctioned directly by the IDBF Executive Committee and Continental Cups by the IDBF Continental Federation concerned. Competitions may consist of a single Dragon Boat competition or a series of such competitions, in one or more Countries or Territories, in a given year, in which National or Territorial selected Crews, from an IDBF Member compete.

The format and duration of each such Cup competition will be decided between the IDBF / Continental Federation and the Cup Organiser concerned but as a minimum must include crews from the Premier Division, as defined in the Competition Regulations. (Aug 09) World & Continental Cups may also be held for BCP crews.

A World or Continental Cup Trophy will be awarded for each Cup Series (single or multiple) and Medals may be awarded to the winning crews as in the manner of a World Championship Regatta.

Part 1 - IDBF Competition Regulations

CR 1 - GENERAL REGULATIONS 总则

CR 1.1 Range 范围

These Regulations have been designed to ensure that Racing takes place in an environment that will provide fair and safe competition.

The IDBF recognises that Dragon Boat Racing Competitions can be held over any distance from 200 metres upwards and on a variety of different types of courses such as, lakes, rivers, harbour areas and the sea, under different rules and regulations.

The Competition Regulations that follow are primarily for IDBF World Championship Regattas that normally take place on placid water. That is, on a sheltered purpose-built Regatta Course, laid out to the specifications contained herein and in temperate summer racing conditions.

IDBF Championships may occasionally be held by exception, on recognised Regatta Courses located on open inland water – lakes and reservoirs, sheltered harbour areas or placid *rivers*.

CR 1.2 Use 适用

These Competition Regulations shall also apply in full or part to IDBF organised; sanctioned or *approved* International Races for Representative or Club Crews.

They can be applied to other Club Crew International Races at the discretion of the Race Organiser and subject to acknowledgement as laid down in the section on Scope & Duties, paragraph A2.

CR 1.3 IDBF Championship Regattas 国龙联会锦标赛

IDBF Championship *Regattas* may be arranged annually at a place and time decided by the IDBF Members' Congress and in accordance with the IDBF Bye- Laws; IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing.

IDBF Championship *Regattas* shall be held over a minimum of two (2) consecutive days with 200m and 500m competitions, as the minimum Championship distances. Championships over 1000m and 2000m, may also be held, with the 250m race distance as an alternative to 200m.

The number of IDBF Championships *Regattas* may vary from time to time. Presently the following Championship *Regattas* are under the organisational control of the IDBF:

- a. The World Dragon Boat Racing Championships (WDBRC);
- b. The Club Crew World Championships (CCWC)
- c. The Universities & Colleges World Championships (UCWC)
- d. World Cup

The IDBF will also organise or sanction World Championship Regattas for Disability Groups (Adaptive Paddling or Para Dragons) and World Cup Competitions for the Sport, from time to time. World Cup Competitions are classified by the IDBF **as World Class Regattas**. (Aug 10)

- * **CR 1.3.1** IDBF Championship Regattas and Cup Competitions (Aug 10) may also be held at Continental and Regional level. Where this is the case such events will normally be organised by the continental or regional organisation recognised by the IDBF for a particular continent or region and shall bear the name of the Continental or Regional organisation concerned.
 - * For European events, see EDBF amendments attached to these Regulations

CR 1.4 Championship Crews 国龙联会锦标赛

IDBF Championships and Cup Competitions, may be held for Representative Team Crews; Club, University & College Crews and Adaptive Paddlers or Para Dragon Crews

a. **Representative Team Crew** is a Dragon Boat Crew selected to represent their country, territory, continent region or Member, as defined in the IDBF Bye-laws

<u>Racing Colours</u>. Representative Crews at a WDBRC must compete in the recognised Racing colours of their Country or Territory (see Regulation 9.12) and are subject to the Representation rule shown at Regulation 4.1.

- b. Club Crew is a Crew that represents itself or a bona fide Dragon Boat Club.
- c. University / College Crew represents the University or College concerned
- d. **Adaptive Paddlers Crew (Para Dragons)** represents a Disability Group or Organisation (Aug 10)

<u>Racing Colours</u>. Crews from an IDBF Associate Member must compete in the Racing Colours of their Associate Member. At a CCWC or *UCWC*, crews must compete in their own organisation's colours or neutral (plain White) Racing Colours.

- CR 1.4.1 World Dragon Boat Racing Championships (WDBRC). are normally restricted to Representative Teams from IDBF Full and Basic Members. By exception and at the discretion of the IDBF Council, Representative Crews from other classes of IDBF Membership may be allowed to compete in a WDBRC.) The total number of crews, per IDBF Member, is defined as a 'Team'. Crews from at least six (6) IDBF Members must compete before a Competition Class (see Regulation 2.2 for definition) can be awarded IDBF World Championship status. (See also Competition Regulation 1.5.1).
- CR 1.4.2 Club Crew and Other Championships. CCWCs are restricted to Club Crews representing a Dragon Boat Crew or Club, not an IDBF Member. Crews must compete under their 'Club Name' and in club attire and must not be given Representative Team status. Club Crews from at least six (6) IDBF Members must complete before a Competition Class can be given Club Crew World Championship status. (See Reg 1.5.2). For other Championships these numbers may be reduced to a minimum of four (4) Teams, per Competition.
- a. (143.a) Breast Cancer Paddlers- World Championships & Participatory Festivals.

Breast Cancer Paddler Crews (BCP) are classified as Club Crews and may therefore compete in a Club Crew World Championships (CCWC), within their own Racing Division, as well as in BCP Participatory Festivals (PF).

BCP Participatory Festivals are approved by the IDBF as World Class Regattas, under Comp Reg 1.3 and are held under the governance of the **International Breast Cancer Paddlers Commission (IBCPC)**. The IBCPC is the IDBF C&TC Divisional Commission for Breast Cancer Survivors Dragon Boat Crews.

*CR 1.4.4 (1.4.3) Continental or Regional Championships may be held for Representative; Club Crews. A minimum of six crews from at least three (3) Countries, Territories or IDBF Members, must compete before a Competition Class can be awarded Championship status * For Europe see EDBF amendments attached to these Regulations.

CR 1.5 Participating Crews 参赛队伍

The number of participating crews in an IDBF Championships Regatta is laid down by the IDBF Executive and approved by the IDBF Council. These numbers may be changed at the discretion of the Executive, if to do so is in the best interest of the sport.

- **CR 1.5.1 World Championships.** For a World Dragon Boat Racing Championships one (1) crew per Nation or Territory shall be allowed to compete in each Competition Class listed in the Championships Programme.
- **CR 1.5.2 Club Crew Championships.** For a CCWC a total of seven (7) combined small and standard crews in the same competition class may compete from one IDBF member. The seven (7) crews will include a maximum of five (5) Standard and two (2) Small boats. Allocation of entries will be nominated by the sanctioning IDBF Member concerned. Effective from May 2016.

In the BCP Division or UCWC.

Clarification: 'different crews' means 'de facto' from different Clubs.

*CR 1.5.3 Continental & Regional Championships. For a Continental or Regional Championships, the number of entries per Competition Class allowed is as laid down by the Continental or Regional Federation concerned

In all Championships in the Junior & Senior Racing Divisions, one (1) crew per Age Class (presently A, B and C classes) is allowed. For newly developing age groups two (2) crews may be allowed, on the recommendation of the C&TC, by the IDBF Executive Committee.

CR 1.6 Olympic and International Games 奥林匹克运动会及国际性运动会

When a Dragon Boat Racing Competition is being held as part of an Olympic or other International Games, then in general, the same rules as for a World Dragon Boat Racing Championships shall apply, except where such rules are contrary to those of the IOC, in which case the IOC rules, shall take precedence. For International Games two (2) entries per Competition Class, per nation, shall be the maximum.

CR 1.7 Restrictions on Championships Entries 锦标赛参赛队伍限制

When races for both Representative Team Crews and Club Crews are being held at the same Regatta, crews will not be allowed to compete in both competitions in the same Competitive Class, on the same day, neither shall Representative and Club Crews be permitted to compete together in one Competition Class.

- **CR 1.7.1 CCWC. Entries to a Club Crew** World Championship (CCWC) must be approved by the IDBF Member Association, where one exists, in the Country or Territory in which the Club Crew is domiciled. *BCP Crews must be affiliated to their IDBF Member and the IBCPC.*
 - Approval means that the Club Crew is a bona fide crew as described in these Regulations, is financially sound; has a good disciplinary record and is a current member of the IDBF Member concerned. (Sep 02)
- CR 1.7.2 Universities & Colleges World Championship. Competitors in Crews entering a UCWC must be currently registered as students at the University or College concerned. Crews must be sanctioned by and ideally affiliated to the IDBF Member Association, where one exists, in the Country or Territory in which the University or College is a registered entity.

CR 1.8 Water Safety 水上安全

The IDBF is committed to minimising the risks that anyone involved in Dragon Boat Racing is exposed to through participation in the sport. As the standards and complexity of Safety Legislation varies from country to country, these Regulations cannot cover all nationally based legislation, but such legislation should be implemented at IDBF events.

CR 1.8.1 As a minimum the IDBF considers that it is the duty of everyone in the sport to follow the advice and guidance on **Safety** contained within these Competition Regulations (See Regulations 7.5 - 7.10 and the IDBF Water Safety Policy enclosed) and with the general principle that 'prevention reduces risks and injuries and saves lives'.

CR 2 - RACING AND COMPETITION CLASSES and CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISIONS.

比赛级别与锦标赛分组

CR 2.1 Racing Classes 比赛级别

For all IDBF Championships or sanctioned competitions, races may be organised for the following Racing Classes, based on age and gender.

- CR 2.1.1 Open Class the primary class of racing. There are no restrictions on crew composition, or age, except that competitors must be at least 12 years of age in the year of competition (Aug23)
- CR 2.1.2 Women's Class In the Women's Racing Class crews must be female, and at least 12 years of age in the year of competition. In the BCP Division, Crews may race with Male BCP crew members. (Aug23)

CR 2.1.3 Mixed Class

Sets out the requirements for the mixed class. In addition to the gender balance requirements for paddlers, all competitors must be at least 12 years of age in the year of competition. (Aug23)

Standard Boat Combination – minimum of eight (8) to a maximum of ten (10) paddlers of either gender. Drummer and helm can be of either gender.

Small Boat Combination – minimum of four (4) and a maximum of five (5) paddlers of either gender. Drummer and helm can be of either gender. (Aug 16)

The following table shows the possible combinations of crews:

Standard boat

10 male paddlers / 10 female paddlers	+ drummer and helm of either gender
10 male paddlers / 9 female paddlers	+ drummer and helm of either gender
9 male paddlers / 10 female paddlers	+ drummer and helm of either gender
10 male paddlers / 8 female paddlers	+ drummer and helm of either gender
8 male paddlers / 10 female paddlers	+ drummer and helm of either gender
9 male paddlers / 9 female paddlers	+ drummer and helm of either gender

Small boat

5 male paddlers / 5 female paddlers	+ drummer and helm of either gender
5 male paddlers / 4 female paddlers	+ drummer and helm of either gender
4 male paddlers / 5 female paddlers	+ drummer and helm of either gender
4 male paddlers / 4 female paddlers	+ drummer and helm of either gender

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CR 2.1.4 Junior Class – With the exception if there steerers (helms) all competitors must be at least 12 years of age in the year of competition. Thereafter, the class may include races for Single or Mixed gender crews or in open competition, and be further restricted for those who whose age in the year of competition satisfies the following:

18 and under

16 and under

14 and under (Aug23)

CR 2.1.5 Senior Class - Races can be held for Mixed or Single gender crews or in Open Competition, where the competitions age satisfies the requirements as shown below. The only exception to the age requirements is for the drummer is for the drummer who can be younger but must be at least 12 years of age in the year of competition. (Aug23)

The Senior Racing Classes are:

Senior A - 40th or later birthday falls in the year of the competition.

Senior B - 50th or later birthday falls in the year of the competition.

Senior C - 60th or later birthday falls in the year of the competition.

CR 2.1.6 (2.2.1). **24U and University Class –** Races can be held for mixed or single gender crews or in Open Communication for competitors who are at least 12 years of age in the year of competition and who are also:

- 24 years of age or less in the year of competition; and/or
- A full-time university student (Aug 23)

CR 2.1.7 Para Dragons Class - Races may be held subject to the requirements of CR2.1.1 above. There may be two categories within the Paradragon class: (Aug 23)

PD1 - every paddler as a recognized impairment

PD2 - 50% of paddlers has a recognized impairment

CR2.1.8 Cancer Paddlers – Races may be held in two categories show below. All competitors must be at least 12 years of age in the year of competition.

BCP – all competitors including paddlers, helm and drummer must be BCP

ACP – all competitors including paddlers. Helm and drummer must be ACP (Aug 23)

CR 2.2 Competition Classes 此赛级别

Races for each designated Racing Class may be held over a variety of different race distances (for distances see Competition Regulation 6.1). At an IDBF Championships, each combination of Racing Class and Race Distance shall be known as a **Competition Class**. For a Competition Class to qualify for Championship status the minimum number of nations and crews as shown in Regulations 1.4 and 1.5, must take part.

- **CR 2.2.1 Mixed Crews** When there are sufficient numbers of men and women competitors entered in either or both small or standard boat open and women classes, then the mixed entry must be made in the standard boat. (Aug 19)
- CR 2.2.2 Double Rostering A competitor, including drummer and helms, should only enter one (1) competition age class. No allowance will be made in the programme or races delayed allow a competitor to participate in more than one (1) competition class. (Aug 19)

CR 2.3 Additional Classes 其他级别

Other Racing and Competition Classes may be introduced at the discretion of the IDBF Executive Committee, who may implement classes, or not, as they see fit, from time to time, subject to ratification by the IDBF Council. For the purposes of this Regulation, BCP Crews are considered as a separate Championship Division, for which dedicated World Championships may be held – see 1.4.3a & 2.4.

CR 2.4 Championship Divisions 锦标赛分组

At World Championships or international races, where either (or both) Senior and Junior Races are being held in addition to races open to all age groups, the open age group Racing Classes will be prefixed as 'Premier' and the total Competition Classes of each type, will be known as a Division. The Open, Women's and Mixed, 'Premier' Classes will form the Premier Division and the Senior and Junior Classes, the Senior and Junior Divisions.

CR 3 - CREW and TEAM COMPOSITION 队员组合

CR 3.1 Crew Numbers 每队人数

Dragon Boat Crews competing in World and Continental Championships will normally consist of:

- a. **for the Standard Racing Boat** (DB22) in competition, a minimum of eighteen (18) and a maximum of twenty (20) Paddlers; one (1) Steerer and one (1) Drummer; giving a minimum total of twenty (20) and maximum total of twenty-two (22) Racers in a Competing Boat, at any one time. Up to four (4) Reserve Paddlers may also be nominated for a Crew.
 - For other Championships the *Standard* Boat numbers can be reduced to a minimum of sixteen (16) Paddlers, for a minimum total of eighteen (18) Racers, in a Competing Crew.
- b. **for the Small Racing Boat** (DB12) a crew shall consist of ten (10) paddlers and (2) nominated reserves, plus a Drummer and a Steerer (Helm), for a maximum of 14 Racers in a Crew. Variations to these numbers can only be made with the approval of the IDBF Executive Committee.
- CR 3.2 (3.1.1) World Championship Representative Teams, Squads & Crews. For a WDBRC the minimum number of people in a Representative Team shall be 20 (Standard Boat) and 12 (Small Boat), that is one Competing Boat, as defined in 3.1 above. The maximum numbers are dependent on the number of Divisional Squads and Crews for Premier, Senior, 24Us and Junior competitors there are in a Representative Team.

Rules 3.3, 3.4, and 3.5 have been removed (Aug 19)

CR 3.6 (3.2) Crews at International Races 国际赛事

In Club Crew **International Races**, sanctioned by the IDBF, crews shall consist of the number of Racers laid down by the Controlling Association or Organising Committee concerned

Other crew members may be present in a crew, depending on the design of the Dragon Boat being raced. In some types of Dragon Boat a **Gong Beater** is used in addition to a Drummer

In others a **Flag Catcher**, is positioned in the front of the boat, who has the task of retrieving a flag for each boat, placed on a Finish Line buoy. The retrieving of the flag signifies the finish of the race for that boat.

CR 3.7 (3.3) Crew Reserves 候补队员

At all IDBF competitions, Reserve Competitors nominated for each crew, as per Regulation 3.1, up to a maximum of four (4) may compete without further reference to the Event Organisers or Competition Committee, provided that their names are shown on the **Competition Entry Form** for IDBF Championships or the official **Crew List** for other IDBF sanctioned races. (See Competition Regulation 8.5).

CR 3.8 (3.4) **Restrictions.** Only those competitors entered on the Entry Form and shown on the Crew List will be permitted to race in an IDBF Championship event.

CR 4 - REPRESENTATION and NATIONALITY 代表资格与国籍

CR 4.1 Representation 代表资格

To represent a country or territory in an IDBF Championship or International Race for *Representative* Crews, a Dragon Boat Competitor must normally be a citizen of the country, or born in the Territory, represented and be able to prove this by showing an official document, such as a Passport, Identity Card, Birth Certificate, or the like.

a. **Dual Nationality**: Competitors with dual nationality (citizenship) may represent the Country or Territory of their Birth or their dual citizen Country or Territory, whichever of these they are residing in, providing that they have been resident in that Country or Territory for a current period of at least 3 full years. Competitors who do not meet these requirements must comply with Regulation 4.2 or 4.2a below.

CR 4.2 Country or Territory of Residence 居住国家或地区

Dragon Boat competitors who have left their country or territory of birth and are a permanent, not temporary resident in another country or territory, may represent that country or territory, if they have lived there for a current period of three (3) years or more and have not represented their country/ territory of birth, during the previous two (2) years.

Temporary Residency. A Temporary Resident, for the purposes of this Regulation, is a person who resides in a Country or Territory by virtue of a holding a visa, for example a visitor's visa, student visa, work visa or the like. The IDBF considers such visas to indicate a 'temporary' residency in the Country or Territory concerned, not a permanent residency.

a. Exceptionally, competitors who have a *permanent* residential qualification of less than 3 years and who have not represented an IDBF Member previously, may with the permission of both their birth and residential IDBF Member, apply to the IDBF Executive Committee for permission to compete for their country/territory of residence.

When permission is given, the competitor concerned will not be allowed to compete for any other IDBF Member for a minimum period of 2 years following the year in which the permission is given. (4.2) Competitors who, by marriage have acquired the nationality of another country may compete for that country without delay.

CR 4.3 Club Crews 俱乐部赛队

In IDBF Championships for Club Crews a Racer can only represent one Dragon Boat Crew. See Bye Law 12.3 for the definition of a Dragon Boat Club Crew.

The rules for National Crew Representation need not apply but all competitors must have been bona fide members of the Dragon Boat Crew that they represent, for at least **SIX** (6) months before the Club Crew Championships in question.

CR 4.3.1. A bona fide Club Member is one that has regularly trained and/or competed for the Club Crew that they represent during the minimum period of **six months** shown in 4.3.

A bona fide Club Member will normally be resident in the Country in which the Club Crew is located.

A Club Member who trains and competes with a Club Crew from a different Country or Territory or a geographical Region within a Country to the one in which the Club Member himself (or herself) is normally domiciled, will only be considered as a bona fide Club Member if they can prove that they have physically attended their Club to train or compete for a period of at least twelve (12) weeks, over a minimum period of two (2) racing seasons. (Nov 06)

CR 4.4 International Races 国际赛事

In **IDBF sanctioned International Races**, the representation rules above need not apply but all Competitors must be recorded on the Crew Lists of the crews that they paddle with.

CR 5 - DRAGON BOATS; TRADITIONAL BOATS AND EQUIPMENT 龙舟及设备

CR 5.1 (5.4) Traditional Designs 传统设计 锦标赛龙舟规格

The IDBF in recognising the different designs of Dragon Boat (Long Zhou) and Paddles (Jiang) as well as other forms of **Traditional Long Boats** (TLB) and other **Traditional** Paddled Water Craft (**TPWC**) that exist in Asia, Africa, Oceania and South America, endorses such **TLBs** and **TPWC** for general use by IDBF Members.

The IDBF Council approves for IDBF sanctioned International Races, those Dragon Boats and single bladed Paddles, that are common to the People's Republic of China (CTWDB); Chinese Taipei; Hong Kong (HKTWDB) and Macau China and other TLB &TPWC common in other IDBF Member Countries and any derivatives of these designs approved by the IDBF Member in the country concerned or by the IDBF Council.

CR 5.2 (5.1) **Approved Designs for Championship Regattas.** Whilst the IDBF recognises that all types of Traditional Dragon Boats (Long Zhou), Long Boats and Paddle Watercraft may be sanctioned for competitive use, the IDBF Council only approve IDBF Specification Racing Dragon Boats for use in Championship Regattas.

CR 5.2.1 *IDBF* Building Specifications (*IDBF Specs*) consisting of a Technical Manual and Drawings for those Racing Dragon Boat and Paddle designs approved for IDBF Championship Regattas, together with the Terms and Conditions that the IDBF attaches to these specifications, are published by the IDBF Technical Equipment Secretariat -TES. IDBF boat and paddle specifications form part of these Competition Regulations. *IDBF Spec Boats may be designated* by crew number e.g. DB22, DB12 or by the model number of the particular boat design, e.g. Model 1222 or 912.

(For information on how to obtain copies of the specifications, see the Attachments to these Competition Regulations. The outline drawings of the IRDB and the IDBF Standard Racing Paddle are also shown in the Attachments, as are outline drawings for the CTWDB and the HKTWDB.

CR 5.2.2 In all IDBF Championships, teams will not be allowed to use their own dragon boats and must use the dragon boats provided by the Organising Committee

CR 5.3 (5.2) Exceptions 例外规定国际赛事

The IDBF Executive Committee shall be empowered, in exceptional circumstances, to permit the use of other designs of *Traditional Dragon Boat and Paddles at a World Championship*, if it is in the best interest of the sport so to do.

CR 5.3.1 Different designs of Approved Dragon Boats and Paddles will not be permitted to race in the same competition class as each other. *Other designs of TLBs and paddled watercraft (TPWC)*, propelled by single bladed paddles, may also be *included* in a World Championship Regatta, at the discretion of the IDBF Council.

CR 5.4 (5.3) International Races and Sanctioned Competitions.

For IDBF sanctioned International Races the Dragon boats (Long Zhou) and equipment used should normally be to IDBF Spec, but other traditional designs may be used – for example the CTWDB and HKWDB.

In IDBF approved competitions. Dragon boats of a different design, TLBs and other TPWC are permitted.

For both types of events, the type and outline specifications of the boats and equipment being used must be notified in advance of the races by the Event Organiser, to the competing crews.

CR 5.5 Sponsors Advertising 赞助机构的广告

At IDBF Championship sponsorship or advertising on, dragon boats and equipment, by an event sponsor, is permitted subject to the conditions laid down, under Regulation 7.2, by the IDBF Executive Committee from time to time. (See also Comp Reg 7.2.1 - 7.2.3, for conditions concerning advertising on crews clothing and equipment).

CR 5.6 Means of Propulsion 推进工具

Dragon Boats shall be propelled solely by means of single bladed paddles. These paddles shall not be fixed to the boat in any way, except for the paddle (*Oar*) used by the Steerer (*Helm*).

As this is used in the manner of a rudder it may be supported within the framework of the boat but propulsion of the boat by the Steerer is not allowed.

CR 5.7 Paddles (Jiang) Subject to the exceptions shown in Regulation 5.5, competitors in IDBF Championships shall be permitted to use their own paddles (*Jiang*) provided that they conform to the IDBF Racing Paddle specification, or a specific specification laid down by the IDBF Executive Committee for a particular championships.

Competitors found to be using paddles that do not conform to the published 'paddle' regulations for a particular IDBF championships, will be warned accordingly and if the warning is ignored, they will face **disqualification** from the competition concerned.

CR 5.8 Boat/Lane Numbers 船号//赛道编号

In all IDBF competitions each Dragon Boat shall carry a vertical number board (*plate*) or a fixed pennant, which shall act as a boat's identification number for the duration of a race.

This number shall also indicate the Lane Number of the Racing Lane in which the boat will race in.

CR 5.9 Boat Number Boards

The Boat Number Board shall be fixed to the bow of the Dragon Boat in such a manner that it can be clearly seen by the Finish Line officials.

The minimum size of the Number for IDBF Championships shall be 33 cm high x 23 cm wide on a Number Board measuring 60 high x 46 cm wide.

The colour of the plate and the number on it is not specified but the colour scheme should be such that the number can be clearly identified by the Finish line officials over a distance of ninety (90) metres.

CR 5.10 Boat Weights 龙舟称重设备

Irrespective of any minimum weight for a Dragon Boat laid down in these Regulations, the difference in weight between boats used in IDBF races should not exceed **ten (10) kilograms.**

At IDBF Championships the Organising Committee are to ensure that all boats are within this weight differential and are to produce documentary proof of this fact to the Chief Official, before the competition commences.

CR 5.11 Boat Weighting. At an IDBF Championship (see Racing Rule R5.4) the Organisers shall provide adequate boat weighing equipment for use before and during the competition. At other IDBF Races boat weighting is not compulsory but may take place if requested by the Chief Official, prior to the event and provided that accurate weighing equipment is available. (See also Regs 13.1/13.3 Misc Equip).

CR 6 - RACING DISTANCES and the RACING COURSE 比赛距离及赛场

CR 6.1 Distances 比赛距离 赛场

Racing for a **World Dragon Boat Racing Championship** may take place *over 200m*, 250m, 500m, 1000m and nominally 2000 metres, Racing Distances (Sep 03). Additionally, **Traditional Paddling Style Races** over similar distances, may take place at the discretion of the Organising Committee. For **other Championship Regattas** races must take place over at least 500 metres.

- a. (6.1) For a Club Crew Championship (UCWC races), where the Racing Course does not allow a 500 metre race to be held, an alternative distance between **200m** and 500m may be permitted, at the discretion of the IDBF Executive Committee.
- b. (6.1) For International Races all or some of these distances, or other locally determined Race Distances may be offered in the Race Programme. Races not run totally in one direction shall be subject to special rules concerning Turns and safety (See Regulations 6.8 and 6.9 and the IDBF Rules of Racing in Part 2).

CR 6.2 Racing Course. For **IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championships**, the course shall be capable of providing a straight stretch of water as flat and as still as can be obtained, over a distance that will permit at least a 1000 metre race in one direction.

For all **other Championship Regattas and International Races,** water that will permit at least a 500metre race, is required. Exceptionally this requirement may be relaxed for a Club Crew Championship (see Com Reg 6.1).

CR 6.3 Racing Lanes. The course at the start and finish shall permit a clear width of at least nine (9) metres for each dragon boat to race in. This width per boat, shall be known as a Racing Lane.

Lane.1 shall always be the lane nearest to the location of the Finish Line Judges.

The width of a championship course should ideally allow at least six (6) boats to race, in lanes from 13.5m to 15m wide lanes (maximum).

For *UCWC* and International Races, a maximum of nine (9) boats in 10m lanes is permitted. A return lane of at least 9 metres, on either side of the Racing Lanes, should also be provided.

In a non-championship competition, the Racing Course shall be wide enough to allow, as a minimum, three (3) boats to race in 9m lanes.

CR 6.3.1 Start and Finish. The Start and Finish Lines shall be at right angles to the Racing Lanes and at least 90 metres in length. They shall be marked off the water on both sides of the course and similar static markings shall be constructed every *200* or 250 metres, as appropriate, between the Start and Finish.

CR 6.4 Course Markings 赛道 赛道标记

Both the Start and Finish Lines shall be marked, on the water, by red flags or buoys at the point where these lines intersect the outer limits of the Course, that is the extremes of the Racing Lanes. A line of Buoys shall also be placed no more than 2 metres behind the Finish Line.

These buoys shall be marked with lane numbers that are clearly visible from the Finish Tower and the approaching crews. The numbered buoys shall be on the right-hand side of each racing lane, as seen by the approaching crews.

The Racing Lanes shall be marked by means of clearly visible buoys placed in a straight line, at intervals of not more than fifty (50) metres apart, down the length of the Racing Course.

Each lane will be numbered at the Start and Finish, preferably at the Finish with overhead Lane Markers, as well as the Finish Line Buoys.

CR 6.5 Starting Bays & Pontoons 起点位及起点船

For an IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championships a Starting Assembly Area consisting of **Starting Bays** placed behind the Start Line, in such a way that the front of each Dragon Boat is on the Start Line, must be provided for each Racing Lane.

For other Competitions **Start Pontoons** should be provided when possible or starts may be made from fixed points on the end of the Racing Course.

CR 6.6 Measurements. The length of the Racing Course and all intermediate distances shall be measured exactly, preferably by a qualified surveyor, and an accurate plan shall be held by the Organising Committee.

CR 6.7 International Races 国际赛事

For sanctioned International Races the course markings and measurements should comply, wherever possible, with these regulations.

Where this is not possible the minimum permitted width for an International Racing Course will be fifty (50) metres, to allow three (3) Dragon Boats to race as required by *Competition Regulation 6.3*.

CR 6.8 Turn Buoys 转向浮标 转向点

In any IDBF competition where the presence of Turn Buoys on the course would enhance the races, such buoys shall be permitted. For races that take place in lanes then such buoys shall be positioned in the centre of each Racing Lane.

Where a race takes placed outside the normal Racing Course, that is the area formed by the Racing Lanes, then **Turning Points**, as defined below, must be used and additional Racing Rules for such races will apply.

CR 6.9 Turning Points. 转向点

In Long Distance races that take place on enclosed water, such as a water sports centre or lake, dragon boats may race out of their lanes from the start.

In such races should Turning Points be necessary, then the radius of each turn should be at least 50 metres.

Each Turning Point shall be marked by at least six flags or buoys, which shall be readily distinguishable from other course markings. (See Racing Rules for races over 2000 metres)

CR 6.10 Water Depth 水深

The depth of water on a regatta course for an IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championship (WDBRC) and Club Crew World Championship (CCWC) should be a minimum 3.5 metres, on a site where the bed of the Racing Course is proven to be uniform throughout - that is, a maximum 0.5 metres variance across the racing lanes. (Aug 19)

CR 7 - GENERAL ADMINISTRATION and SAFETY MATTERS 般管理及安全事务

CR 7.1 Delegation 赛队制服

All IDBF competitions are conducted under the overriding authority of the IDBF Executive Committee as authorised by the IDBF Council. The IDBF Executive may delegate to an Organising Committee the responsibility for the organisation of the competition. (See also Competition Regulation 9 - Competition Organisation).

CR 7.2 Sponsorship/Publicity/Advertising 龙舟及设备上的广告

The IDBF Executive Committee are empowered to lay down conditions regarding sponsorship, publicity and advertising at IDBF events.

For IDBF Championships, the Organising Committee must submit for approval to the IDBF Executive details of any sponsorship before any formal agreement is reached with a sponsor.

CR 7.2.1 (9.12). **Advertising on Crew Uniforms, Boats & Equipment.** At IDBF Championships the advertising of a Representative Team's sponsor on a crews 'off water' uniform and training apparel; Team Boats and Equipment, not supplied by the Organising Committee will be permitted subject to any conditions established by the IDBF Executive Committee from time to time and published in a Championship Information Bulletin, provided that such uniform (or training clothes) are not worn during an actual race.

At other IDBF competitions advertising as above shall be at the discretion of the organisers.

Failure to act in accordance with this Regulation may result in disciplinary action against the crew concerned.

- **CR 7.2.2 Advertising on a Crews Racing Clothing and Equipment.** Except for boats and equipment provided by a Championship Sponsor under Regulation 5.5, the advertising of a Representative Team's sponsor on a crew's **racing apparel** or personally owned Racing Paddles, will be permitted subject to the following provisions:
 - 1. That any such advertising is unobtrusive and tasteful (that is, of a design that does not cause offence to the public or cause the racing vest to become unrecognisable as a Crew's Representative Colours).
 - 2. One such advertisement will be permitted on the Racing Vest placed in such a position that it does not unduly disrupt, hide or negate the Crew's Colour design thereon.

CR 7.2.3 The maximum size of sponsors name and logo advertising that will be permitted on a Vest shall be that which can be contained in a box measuring 20cm long by 5cm wide.

For competitors personal Racing Paddles, that is those that comply with the IDBF Paddle Specification, the sponsors advertisement may be of a different shape to that on the Racing Vest but shall not exceed the overall area of 20cm x 5cm box (100 sq cm).

CR 7.3 At IDBF Championships the following rights shall remain with the IDBF:

- **CR 7.3.1** Television and Radio coverage an agreed percentage of any fees received from television coverage shall remain with the Organising Committee and the balance will be retained by the IDBF.
- CR 7.3.2 Commercial advertising on and near the Racing Course.
- **CR 7.3.3** The use of IDBF emblems, logos, insignia and trademarks.
- **CR 7.4 Contracts.** The IDBF Executive may negotiate with a Championship Organising Committee a contract concerning these rights and any profits that may accrue from them.

CR 7.5 General Safety Matters 般安全事项

The safety of Competitors and Race Officials taking part in any Dragon Boat Competition is a prime concern of the IDBF Executive Committee. Those aspects of safety relative to summer competitive conditions are covered in (Regulations 7.6 to 7.10), which follow. For IDBF competitions the IDBF Competition and Technical Commission (C&TC) is empowered to draw up regulations and special bye laws to ensure the safety of all competitors and officials. (See also the IDBF Water Safety Policy, which forms part of this Regulation).

CR 7.5.1 (7.5) Included in the IDBF Water Safety Policy, at Attachment 1, is a leaflet entitled 'Guide to Safety on Water'. The Water Policy and Guide form part of these Regulations and should be read in conjunction with them. The IDBF recommends that the Guide to Safety should always be published in Race Programme.

CR 7.6 Safety Officer. For all IDBF events it is recommended that a **Safety Officer** be appointed. The duties of the Safety Officer are shown in the (*Rules of Racing R3.13*).

CR 7.7 Medical & Rescue Services 医疗及救生服务

At all IDBF Competitions, the Organisers must provide a medical and rescue service ready to act both on and off the water, throughout the event, which includes all official training sessions before the first Race Day.

a. First Aid cover must be provided by qualified personnel and a Medical Doctor must be in attendance throughout the competition. Competitions should not take place unless at least one (1) safety boat is provided to act as a rescue vessel in the event of a boat capsize or the loss of a competitor overboard during a race or crew training.

CR 7.8 Rescue Boats 救生艇 救生衣

It is recommended that one rescue boat be provided for every three dragon boats racing **or Training**, to a minimum of two (2) or three (3) boats per event. (Sep 03) Each boat should be capable of holding up to eight people and should be of a design that will enable people to gain access to the boat, from the water, unaided. One rescue boat should follow each race down the course. (This boat may also act as an Umpire boat).

CR 7.9 Buoyancy Aids. Personal Flotation Aids (buoyancy aids) must be made available for all junior crews. Personal buoyancy should be also worn by any competitor, irrespective of age, who is a weak swimmer. (Aug 23)

CR 7.10 Crew Safety 赛队安全

Although it is incumbent on the Organising Committee to provide a rescue service, the **Crew Manager and Boat Captain** are primarily held responsible for the safety of their crews. When on the water the Boat Captain, who will normally be the Helm (Steerer) must take responsibility for the crew's safety. Both the Crew Manager and the Boat Captain will ensure that all their competitors are:

- **CR 7.10.1** Suitably dressed for the weather, water and race conditions and that they are not wearing anything (such as personal accessories or jewellery) which may impede their ability to escape from a capsized boat or swim unaided once in the water, for example, wrist weights.
- **CR 7.10.2** Must be water competent and, ideally able to swim at least 50 metres in wet competition clothes, unaided.
- **CR 7.10.3** 'Fit to Race' both medically and physically at all times during the competition. (See also Regulation 8.4.1)
- **CR 7.10.4** Fully briefed on all safety matters contained within the Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing for the competition.

CR 7.10.5 Distress Flags. Each Dragon Boat shall carry two green flags (one in the front and one in the rear of the boat) which shall be waved by the Drummer and/or Helm in the event that a crew member is lost overboard during a race or other circumstances arise that necessitate a 'Distress Signal' (see also Racing Rule 7.7.1) (Aug 19)

CR 7.11 Titles and Prizes - Champions 冠军名衔及奖品

When the number of Nations, Territories and Crews in an **IDBF World or Club Crew Championships**, *or University & College Championship* conforms to Competition Regulation 1.5, then the title of **World Champion** shall be conferred on the winning crew in each Competition Class in which crews from at least six (6) Nations or Territories compete. Every competitor in each winning crew shall be awarded a medal, gold in colour and a diploma. The crew shall receive a trophy

CR 7.12. (7.13) **World Championships' Places.** Competitors in crews finishing in second and third places in each of the Competition Classes will be awarded silver and bronze coloured medals respectively and each crew a trophy.

CR 7.13 (7.12) IDBF Championship Races. 非锦标赛赛事

When the number of Nations or Territories in a Competition Class in a World or Club Championships is less than three (3) then the title World Champion shall not be conferred on the winning crew. (Aug 19)

CR 7.14 Design of Medals. For a World Dragon Boat Racing Championships, medals and certificates will conform to the shape, size, design, material and manufacturing standards laid down by the IDBF Executive Committee.

In addition, the Organising Committee shall provide a commemorative medal of their own design, for all competitors and officials.

CR 7.15 Other Competitions. For all other IDBF competitions trophies, prizes and medals may be awarded as determined and provided by the Organising Committee. No IDBF titles shall be conferred at International Races.

CR 7.16 Personal Photographs 个人照片

By the deadline specified in the relevant Championship bulletin for an IDBF Championships, each competing team must upload to the IDBF registration database a passport-style photograph for every person on the Named Entry Form as well as for every supporter and team official who requires a Championship ID card. (Aug 23)

CR 7.17 National and Representative Flags and Anthems 国家和代表旗帜及歌曲

Teams taking part in an IDBF World Championships are required to bring with them, one (1) National Flag for the country or Representative Flag for the Country or Territory that they are representing, of a size of approximately 2m (6ft) x 1m (3ft).

The Flag is to be carried by a Team Representative at the Opening Ceremony of a World Championships.

- a. (7.17) Teams are also to bring with them to a cassette tape and a CD of their National or Territorial Anthem.
- b. (7.17) At a Club Crew Championship such Flags or Anthems are not permitted for medal ceremonies
 - * For European events, see EDBF amendments attached to these Regulations

CR 8 - TECHNICAL ADMINISTRATION 技术管理

CR 8.1 Invitations to IDBF 资料表及参加表格

Competitions should contain the following information:

- 8.1.1 Date and Place of the competition.
- 8.1.2 Situation and Plan of the Course.
- 8.1.3 Distances to be raced and the Competition Classes.
- 8.1.4 The water conditions e.g. Sea, Canal, River, Reservoir, etc.
- 8.1.5 Entry Conditions and Entry Fees.
- 8.1.6 Address for Entries and Closing Date for entries.

CR 8.2 Information & Entry Forms. For IDBF Representative Team Competitions, invitations **must** be sent to the recognised IDBF Member of the country *or territory* concerned.

For Club Crew competitions, invitations should be sent to competing crews through an IDBF Member Organisation, where one exists.

CR 8.2.1 (8.2) Information Sheets concerning IDBF Championships should be sent to all IDBF Members, eleven (11) months before with Invitations and Entry Forms being sent nine (9) months before the championship date. (Nov 03)

Entry Forms for International Races should be sent to crews through their IDBF Member Association at least 6 months before the competition date.

CR 8.3 Entries. Entries to IDBF Team Championships shall be restricted to IDBF Members. For Club Crew World Championships (see Competition Regulation Annex 12.b).

CR 8.3.1 Entry to World Championships (Oct 19)

- 1. **An Entry** is made in the IDBF Championship Registration system at least 6 months before a Championship to indicate the Organizing Committee that a Team or Club Crew is entering a Championship.
- 2. **A Confirmation of Entry** is also made in the Championship registration system at least 3 months before a Championship to indicate to the Organizing Committee that a Team or Club Crew will enter the event.

A team which withdraws or changes its entry after the confirmation of entry will pay an additional fee of 250 USD.

- 3. A Final Team Names Submission (list of team members including photographs) is recorded in the Registration system at least 8 weeks before a Championship and includes the Names and details of all the participants attending including Official Supporters.
- 4. **A Late Entry** is one received after the closing date for the Confirmed Entry and up to four (4) weeks before an event.

Provided that the Race Programme can accommodate such an entry, a Late Entry will only be accepted at the discretion of the IDBF Chief Official and may attract a Late Entry Fee. (Aug19)

CR 8.4 (8.6) Submission of Entries 递交参加表格

Entries may be mailed; telexed; faxed or sent by Email, provided they are received by the Organising Committee by midnight (local time) on the last date for receiving entries. Entries **mailed** must be confirmed by returning the actual Entry Form.

In the eventuality of conflicting information an Entry Form sent by post shall take precedence.

CR 8.5 (8.8) Competing Crews 参赛队伍

All entries are shown on the IDBF registration system. (Aug 19)

For IDBF Championships details of the competitors in each National Team or Club Crew shall also be entered onto the IDBF Database.

CR 8.5.1 (8.8.1) A full Race Programme, confirming the above, plus the Racing Rules for the competition and other information concerning the organisation and administration of the event, must be given to Crew Managers, on their arrival at the Championships location.

CR 8.6 (8.4) Team Lists 队员名单及小组队伍名单

For an **IDBF World Championship** each IDBF Member taking part shall submit to the Organising Committee by the Closing Date for Entries, a **Team List**, showing the full names of all competitors and team officials selected to take part in the Championships.

Blank Team Lists shall be sent out with the Entry Forms.

CR 8.7 (8.4.1) **Crew Lists.** For all IDBF competitions Crew Lists showing the Names and Racing Numbers of the competitors in a crew must be printed from the registration system and submitted to Race Administration by the end of racing day before entered race. (Aug 19)

CR 8.7.1 (841a) 'Fit To Race' When signing the Crew List, the person signing is confirming with the Chief Official, that all the competitors shown on the list are Fit to Race.

This statement covers not just the physical ability of the competitors to undertake the race concerned but it also means that the signatory is confirming that there are no known medical reasons why those listed should not compete during the whole period of the Championships. *This is particularly relevant to Senior and Junior competitors.*

CR 8.8 Competitors Eligibility, Identification & Declarations 参赛资格及身份识别

Only those competitors named on a Team List (IDBF World Championships) or Crew List, including reserves, may take part in a competition.

CR 8.8.1 (84.1b) **Competitors Declaration.** To ensure that Team Officials can sign the Crew Lists with confidence, **all competitors attending an IDBF Championship are required to sign a personal declaration** stating that there is no medical reason why they should not compete in the Championships concerned and that they are physically fit to race.

CR 8.8.2 (8.4.2, 8.8.1a). At IDBF World Championships there will be a medical doctor appointed to conduct checks, by requesting proof of a competitor's medical fitness. This can take the form of a Doctor's medical certificate or a signed declaration from the competitor or a declaration by a Team Leader, *as above*, on behalf of all competitors.

CR 8.8.3(8.4.3. 8.8.1b). **Banned Substances.** Competitors who have been prescribed banned substances and do not possess a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) must complete a **Banned Substances Declaration**, which must be handed to the appointed IDBF Medical Doctor before the athlete concerned competes. (See the Annexes to this Regulation).

A false declaration regarding the name, classification, citizenship, residential qualification or medical fitness, of any competitor may result in the disqualification of the individual concerned, the Team or Crew concerned from the Championships or the Competition Class entered.

CR 8.8.4 (8.5, 8.8a, 8.8.2) **For identification purposes photographs** of all competitors must be taken before a Championship event and, ideally, forwarded to the Organising Committee with the Entry Form.

CR 8.9 Objections to Crews 参赛队伍

For Club Crew competitions, invitations should be sent to competing crews through an IDBF Member Organisation, where one exists.

When, at an IDBF Championships, a Crew Manager has received advanced information concerning participating crews, any objection against a crew or competitor entered in the Championship must be made by an IDBF Member within two (2) days of receiving the list of Entries.

When such information is only received on arrival at the competition site any objections must be made within 24 hours of receipt.

CR 8.10 Submission of Objections 提交反对函件

All objections shall be made to the IDBF Executive President, with a copy to the Organising Committee. The IDBF Executive President shall consult with members of the IDBF Executive Committee or the Championships Jury, as appropriate, and shall decide if the objection is well founded, or not and act as necessary, informing those concerned of his decision.

CR 8.11 Results and Reports. 赛结果与报告

For all IDBF Competitions a full set of results shall be given or sent to each crew participating in the competition.

CR 9 - COMPETITION ORGANISATION. 赛事组织

Note: <u>World Dragon Boat Championship Regattas</u>. Full details of all aspects of organising and financing an IDBF World Championship Regatta, including guidelines for the Organising Committee are contained in the IDBF World Championship Regatta Organiser's Handbook, which is obtainable from the IDBF Secretary-General. The Handbook carries the same authority as these Regulations and should be read in conjunction with them.

CR 9.1 Organising Committee 筹备委员会

For IDBF Championships and all sanctioned International Races, the organisation and management of the competition shall be in the hands of an Organising Committee which shall consist of a Championship Director and Technical Director for an IDBF Championships and an Event Organiser and Race Organiser for International Races and such other Organising Committee members as decided by the **IDBF Member** (IDBF Championships) or Organisation (International Races) concerned. A list of such Organising Committee members is shown in the World Championship Regatta Organiser's Handbook.

The Organising Committee shall:

- 9.1.1 Fix the competition dates; the racing and competition classes and the programme of races. For IDBF Championships this shall be done in consultation with the IDBF Executive Committee.
- 9.1.2 Raise the finance necessary to ensure the success of the competition and account for all such finances.
- 9.1.3 Make available a regatta site, racing course and technical equipment that conforms to the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing.
- 9.1.4 Draw up and distribute the programme of races. Promote and publicise the competition Internationally. Negotiate media coverage of the event.
- 9.1.5 Take all other steps necessary to ensure the proper running of the races and the efficient administration of participating crews and officials.

CR 9.2 The Championships Director (Event Organiser) 锦标赛总监

The Championships Director or Event Organiser is the overall coordinator of the event, including any other activities organised in support of the Dragon Boat Competition. As the person concerned shall be responsible for promoting and publicising the event; issuing invitations to participating crews; receiving entries; publishing final results and ensuring that the IDBF Bye-Laws and Competition Regulations are complied with. The Director (Organiser) shall be the person responsible for providing all the facilities required for the competition; for the collection of all fees due from crews and for the payment of all bills associated with the event. The Director (Event Organiser) normally heads the Organising Committee.

CR 9.3 The Technical Director (Race Organiser) 技术总监. The Technical Director or Race Organiser is responsible to the Championships Director for managing the actual Dragon Boat Races, which includes producing the Competition Timetable and Racing Programme before the event. They shall ensure that the Race Officials duties are published and notified to all concerned and that the Race Officials needs are met during the competition. The Technical Director (Race Organiser) shall attend all meetings with the Crew Managers and ensure that any published information required by the crews is always available through the Race Administration. The Technical Director shall advise the Championships Director on the Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing and shall ensure that all such Regulations pertaining to the Racing Course and for Boats and Equipment are fully complied with. The Technical Director (Race Organiser) is a member of the Organising Committee.

CR 9.4 Control of the Competition 赛事管理

Whilst the overall organisation and management of a competition rests with the Organising Committee the **Technical** control and conduct of the actual races shall be undertaken by Race Officials operating under a **Chief Official who heads a Competition Committee**.

CR 9.5 Race Officials 赛事职员

It is the general duty of all Race Officials to ensure that the IDBF Statutes; Bye-Laws; Competition Regulations and Racing Rules are fully complied with. In IDBF competitions, Race Officials are categorised into **Technical Officials** - those who are allocated to tasks for which a specific knowledge of the sport is required and **Supporting Officials** - those who are allocated tasks for which such a knowledge of the sport is not required. A general list of the Race Officials and the duties of the Technical Officials and the Competition Committee are laid down in Part 2, the Rules of Racing.

CR 9.6 Officials Qualifications 赛事职员资格

Technical Race Officials officiating at IDBF sanctioned International Races should have undergone formal training in all aspects of technical officiating and hold, as a minimum, a National Race Officials Certificate (NROC) but preferably an International Race Officials Certificate (IROC). It is also recommended that at least two (2) members of the Competition Committee should be fully qualified International Race Officials holding an International Race Official Licence (IROL).

NOTE: The grades and requirements for officials wishing to gain a NROC, IROC or IROL are shown in the Annexes to these Regulations and as such form part of them.

CR 9.7 Officials for IDBF Championships. 国龙联会锦标赛职员

Technical Race Officials officiating at IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championships must hold an IROL and the Chief Official must hold a Senior International Officials Licence (SIOL). For other IDBF Championships the Chief Official and members of the Competition Committee must hold an IROL.

CR 9.8 Appointment of Race Officials 赛事职员之任命

For IDBF Championships all Technical Officials shall be appointed by the IDBF Competition & Technical Commission. With the approval of the IDBF Executive Committee, the Championships Director and Race Director shall be appointed by the IDBF Members responsible to the IDBF for the organisation of the Championships. Supporting Officials at an IDBF Championships and all Race Officials in other IDBF competitions shall be appointed by the Organising Committee concerned.

CR 9.9 Identification of Competitors - PIN and Racing Vest Number 职员身份识别

At an IDBF Championship each competitor shall be allocated a **Personal Identity Number** (PIN) by the Organising Committee. This PIN shall be recorded on an identity document with preferably a photograph, provided by the competitor in advance of the competition (see Regulation 7.16). The identity document must be carried by all competitors during the competition.

CR 9.9.1 (9.9) In addition each competitor, when racing, will show a **Vest Number** on the reverse of the racing vest, which may be a temporary or permanent fixture but must be clearly visible. The Vest Number is not the same as the PIN. The Vest Number which will be in the range of 1-26 will relate to the Vest Number shown against each competitor recorded on the **Crew List** for a particular Competition Class and acts as a means of identification during a race. (A Crew List is contained in the Annexes)

CR 9.9.2 The Vest Number shall be enclosed in a box of a minimum length of 210mm and depth of 150mm, that is to say A5 size. Each numeral shall be of a size that will fit into a box of a minimum size of 100mm tall and 60mm wide. Racing Numbers below the number 10 are to show a 0 as the first numeral. (The IDBF template is shown in the Annexes)

CR 9.10 (9.9) For International Races the use of PINs and Racing Numbers is optional, as decided by the race organisers.

CR 9.11 (9.10) Reserves 候补队员

Only those Reserves named on the Crew List submitted to the Chief Official can be used as substitutes during an IDBF Competition. Under no circumstances can the Crew Members be changed once Crew List has been submitted.

CR 9.12 (9.11) Racing Colours and Dress 队色

In IDBF World Championships and Continental Championships for Representative Teams, competitors shall compete wearing the recognised competitive colours of their country or territory, the colours currently used by their Olympic Association.

- a. (9.12) For Club Crews, competitors shall compete in their own crew or Club colours that they represent.
- b. Team Leaders will be required to submit with their Entry Forms coloured photographs of their Team (Crews) intended Racing Apparel (Strip). Teams/ Crews who at the Championship concerned do not appear in their submitted Strip may be required by the Chief Official to race in plain white vests.
- c. **For all Medals Presentations**, recipient crews must be dressed (preferably in Tracksuits) in their Teams (Crews) Racing Colours

CR 9.13 Crew Managers, Boat Captains, Team Leaders and Heads of Delegation 领队、赛艇队长

In all IDBF competitions each Dragon Boat Crew must be represented by a **Crew Manager** - responsible for crew discipline and technical administration, and a **Boat Captain** - who shall be responsible for the conduct and safety of the crew when they are on the water.

The Crew Manager and Boat Captain may be one and the same person.

a. (9.13) Additionally, at an IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championships a Team Leader

 with responsibility for the overall administration and conduct of a Representative Team and a
 Head of Delegation who shall represent the Representative Team in matters of protocol may be appointed.

CR 9.14 Communication with Crews 与赛队联络

During a Championships or international competition, the Race Officials; Competition Committee and the Jury will only communicate with the Crew Manager; Boat Captain; Team Leader; Head of Delegation or one other named Team or Crew Official, concerning such matters as:

- 9.14.1 Communications between organisers and crews.
- 9.14.2 Making protests or appeals.
- 9.14.3 Receiving results.

CR 9.15 Practice Sessions 练习时段

When practice sessions are arranged at IDBF Competitions they will come under the control of the Competition Committee and will be subject to the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing, where applicable.

CR 9.16 Photo Finish. At IDBF Championships a photo-finish facility must be provided by the Organising Committee and a photographic record taken of each boat crossing the Finish Line in every race in the competition. For International Races the provision of photo-finish equipment is recommended and the provision of video equipment essential.

CR 10 - COMPETITION FORMAT 比赛形式

For Club Crew competitions, invitations should be sent to competing crews through an IDBF Member Organisation, where one exists.

CR 10.1 Basic Criteria. 基本准则

For a competition to be classified as International, crews from at least two (2) countries or territories must compete. (See IDBF Bye-Law 3.7).

If the number of entries in any Competition Class is so great that Heats are necessary, the number of boats in each heat and subsequent rounds of competition shall not exceed nine (9). If the number of entries in a Competition Class is low that particular class may be combined with another class for programming and racing purposes.

To comply with Regulation 1.7 the results for each Competition Class must be shown separately and at least separate Finals should be held. When given, separate medals and trophies must also be awarded.

CR 10.2 Competitors Instructions. 赛事说明

Written instructions regarding an IDBF Competition shall be available to Crew Managers at least five (5) hours before the first race of the event. Such instructions must contain the following information:

- 10.2.1 Details of the Racing Course and Course markings.
- 10.2.2 Starting Times of the Races.
- 10.2.3 Start and Finish Line details.
- 10.2.4 Allocation of Dragon Boats.
- 10.2.5 Heats and Lane Draws.

CR 10.3 Boat Allocation. Crews must embark on the boat allocated to them in the Lane Draw. The Racing Lane Number and Boat Number shall be one and the same.

CR 10.4 Division of Heats. 分组

The system of dividing crews into heats may vary according to the number of entries received and the distances being raced.

Generally, the division of the crews into heats shall be determined by the drawing of lots, unless the relative standards of crews are known. In this case a system of seeding crews in the heats may be used. The allocation of crews to Racing Lanes may also be done through seeding or the drawing of lots.

CR 10.5 Progress to Finals. The division of crews into heats must be made in such a way that at least three (3) crews proceed to the main final of each competition class and two (2) to each of the Semi Finals or Repechages, dependent on the number of crews.

CR 10.6 Number of Crews per Round. 每回合赛队数目

When making a draw the difference between the number of crews in each race of a particular round of the competition, shall not exceed one (1). If the number of crews in a round of the competition does vary, then the earlier heats shall have the larger numbers of crews.

For races of more than 2000 metres heats need not be held and all boats taking part may start simultaneously. Should the width of water not permit a simultaneous start, then starts at regular intervals will be permitted.

CR 10.7 Identical Times/Dead Heats (refer rule R8.2)

If two (2) or more boats reach the Finish Line at the same time:

- a. In a Final they shall be awarded the same placing
- b. In Heats, Reps, Semis If the program allows both crews would move forward to the next round
- c. If there are insufficient lanes to move both crews forward and if the race programs permit, both crews are offered the opportunity to race off
- d. Should both crews decline the opportunity to race or the race program doesn't allow then consider their previous race time (if applicable) may be used

CR 10.8 Plan of Heats. 小组赛方案

At IDBF Championships a race programming system that ensures that crews who lose in the heats of a Competition Class have a second chance to qualify for the next higher round, must be used.

In addition, Place Races should be held in order to place crews in a results order that is relative to the other crews in their Competition Class.

For IDBF Championships, the IDBF Tail Race or Repechage Systems shall be adopted.

(The Repechage and Tail Race Plans, for use in IDBF Championships are published as an Annex to the Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing). (Aug 23)

CR 10.9 Finals and Secondary Places. 总决赛及次要名次

In IDBF competitions there shall be a main Final for each Competitive Class plus additional finals as may be necessary, to determine the secondary places. Tail Races, or another system of races, for example a Plate Competition (see Regulation 10.10) or an aggregated times system (see below), may also be used to determine the relative place of each crew in a Competition Class.

CR 10.9.1 (10.9) A crew that has not taken part in at least one intermediate round of a Competition Class, shall not be allowed to compete in a Final, unless the Final is the only race in a particular Competition Class.

CR 10.9.2 (10.9) A crew that has not competed in a first-round heat may be permitted to compete in the next round of the competition, at the Chief Officials discretion.

CR 10.9.3 Penalties for withdrawing from a race. A team that withdraws from a race without proven medical and health reasons shall be charged a penalty of 50 USD. The numbers with proven medical or health reasons will need to be 5 for a standard boat and 3 for a small boat teams as the reserves should be used.

A withdrawal also includes failure to report to Boat marshalling and the crew misses the race by their absence. (Aug19)

CR 10.9.4 (was10.9.3) Aggregated Times. Where the number of crews entered in a competition is small (below 6) and they race each other in a series of Competition Rounds, the race times will be added together to work out final placings. For example, 2 rounds both race times will be added together or 3 rounds all 3 race times will be added together to work out final standings.

If a team misses a round for whatever reason, they will not qualify for a final result. (Aug19)

CR 10.10 Plate Competitions. In IDBF International Races, a Plate Competition may be held for crews that do not reach the later rounds of the main competition, instead of the Tail 'placing' system outlined in *(Regulation 10.9)*. Such a Plate Competition must be clearly designated as such.

CR 10.11 Intervals between races. 比赛间隔

For IDBF competitions crews shall be allowed the following minimum period of rest between their individual Race Start Times. The Rest Period includes the time taken to disembark from the previous race; warm up for the next race, in the same Competition Class; report for that race and embark again.

- CR 10.11.1. 30 minutes for 200 or 250 metre races.
- CR 10.11.2 40 minutes for 500 metre races.
- CR 10.11.3 60 minutes for 1000 metre races and above.

CR 10.12 Exceptions. When the same competitors are racing in more than one Competitive Class it may not be possible for the Technical Director (Race Organiser) to allow such a rest period between an individual crew's races. In such cases the Organisers will only guarantee the minimum rest periods between intermediate rounds of the same Competition Class.

CR 11 - DISCIPLINARY MATTERS 纪律事宜

CR 11.1 Drug Abuse 滥用药物

In IDBF Competitions the use by competitors of performance enhancing drugs, chemical compounds, other dope and any substances, or any stimulants, prohibited by the International Olympic Committee (IOC), the World-Anti Doping Agency (WADA) (Nov 03) or the IDBF, is strictly forbidden. Such drug abuse when detected during a competition will result in the disqualification of the competitor concerned from the competition and action will be taken under the IDBF Anti-Doping Policy, which is published in accordance with IDBF Bye-Law 8.8.

- **CR 11.1.1** (11.1a) **Training**. Drug Abuse detected during training or at non-IDBF competition (that is, a formal competition sanctioned by an IDBF Member or in an informal competition) or out of a competition, will be dealt with under the terms of the Anti-Doping Policy of the IDBF Member concerned.
- **CR 11.1.2** (11.1b) **A 'model' Anti-Doping Policy** for IDBF Governing Associations is contained as Appendix 1 to the IDBF Anti-Doping Policy, which is published at the end of these Regulations. The Anti-Doping Policy forms part of this Regulation and should be read in conjunction with it.
- **CR 11.1.3** (11.1, 11.1.1). Drug Abuse by a single competitor, as described in 11.1, may bring disqualification to the entire crew, as well as disciplinary action, under Bye-Law 8, against the IDBF Member to which the competitor or crew belongs.
- CR 11.2 Reporting 报告 Any instances of drug abuse during an IDBF competition must be notified by the Chief Official, to the IDBF Medical & Sports Science Commission and the IDBF Secretary General immediately. The Secretary-General shall inform the IDBF Executive Committee. The Executive may recommend, to the IDBF Council, further action under IDBF Bye-Law 8.
 - **CR 11.2.1** (11.2). Drug Abuse detected in training, or at a non-IDBF competition (as defined in 11.1) or outside of a competition will be referred direct to the IDBF Executive Committee who shall take the appropriate action under Bye-Law 8, against the competitor, crew or the IDBF Member concerned, as the case may be.
- **CR 11.3 Aiding and Abetting.** Anyone who assists or incites, or otherwise encourages a competitor to indulge in drug abuse shall also be considered to have committed a drug offence and will be subject to the same disciplinary procedures, shown in the IDBF Anti-Doping Policy, as for a competitor or crew. **In the event of an IDBF Member being involved** in any of the offences shown in (*Regulation 11.1*), the Member concerned may be suspended by the IDBF Executive Committee during the period of the investigation into the alleged drug abuse.

CR 11.4 Doping Control 兴奋剂测试

At an IDBF World Dragon Championship Regatta, the Organising Committee must, within reasonable financial limits, provide a Doing Control Service as advised by the IDBF Sports Medicine & Sports Science Commission. For all other IDBF Championships it is recommended that Doping Control be provided.

CR 11.4.1 Random Testing. Random drug testing is to be conducted during IDBF World Championships by an IOC approved Drug Testing Unit. All tests, of which there should be a minimum of six (6) (Jul 12) during the competition, are to be set against the IOC banned substances list current at the time, including testing for alcohol. A Member of the IDBF Medical Commission will be on hand to monitor the testing process.

CR 11.5 Code of Conduct 行为守则

At all IDBF Competitions the Disciplinary Code, as published as an Annex to the (*Rules of Racing, Rule 4*, in *Part 2*), shall be followed. The Disciplinary Code lays down a Code of Conduct for both Competitors and Officials covering behaviour before, during and after a dragon boat competition. The Chief Official is authorised to take any necessary disciplinary action as laid down in the code.

CR 12 - SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR IDBF CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTAS. 国龙联会锦标赛赛事的特殊

CR 12.1 When Special Regulations are adopted by the IDBF Council concerning Championship Regattas they will be published as Annexes to this Regulation.

At the present time Special Regulations apply to the **World Dragon Boat Racing Championships** and the **Club Crew World Championships**.

These are shown at Annex A and B, respectively, to this Regulation. (*IDBF Bye-Law 13*) concerns the Preparation and Organisation for a World Championships and the Annex to Bye-Law 13 covers the Bidding System for such a Championships.

CR 13 - ADDITIONAL AND MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT. 其他设备

CR 13.1 General

Generally additional equipment designed to be added to the boat or personal or miscellaneous equipment designed to enhance the performance of the boat or a crew member shall not be permitted in IDBF events. (See also 7.10.1) The exceptions to this are on board communications systems that operate purely between crew members and seat cushions for individual paddlers, provided that they are made of a soft material, such as sponge or foam, which does not effectively raise the height of a seat or seats in a boat (see Regulation 13.4). The Chief Official shall decide on additional and miscellaneous equipment not specifically covered by these Competition Regulations.

Note: It is not the intention of this Regulation to exclude equipment enhancements such as, strapping to a paddle to assist grip, Velcro fasteners for seat pads (see Regulation 13.4), sponges or boat bailers, foot pads for competitors comfort or other items that are not performance enhancing or a safety risk to members of the Crew – see 13.3.

CR 13.2 Water Pumps 水泵绑带

The carrying of any type of pump in the boat, during a race, which is designed to clear a boat of water is prohibited.

CR 13.3 Boat & Seat Straps and Strapping. In the interest of crew safety, no additional fixtures or fittings, such as straps to fasten a paddler into the boat or onto a seat are permitted. The Chief Official may relax this rule for physically disabled competitors, if adequate safety systems are provided to ensure that such crew members can easily be released from the boat and rescued in the event of the boat capsizing.

CR 13.3.1 Wrist Straps to Paddles and Boat fasteners. Wrist to Paddle Straps are **NOT** allowed or any other fastening system that connects a competitor to a paddle or the boat, as such fittings constitute a safety hazard. Exceptions may be made for Adaptive Paddlers provided that any fastening to the wrist is of a 'quick release' nature and does not compromise the personal safety of the Adaptive Paddler concerned

CR 13.4 Seat Pads. Dragon Boat Seat Pads (*cushions*) as described in (*Regulation 13.1*) shall be made of a soft material, such as neoprene, of an approximate **thickness** of **15mm** that will compress easily when squeezed between finger and thumb. The width of the seat pad may vary in size and shape but shall approximate to the width of a paddling seat in the IDBF Standard International Racing Boat and should ideally **not exceed 20cm in width and 40cm in length**. Simple fastenings such as velcro to attach to the seat are permissible. (Aug19)

CR 14 - Spare 备用

CR 15 - Spare 备用

CR 16 - Spare 备用

CR 17 - Spare 备用

CR 18 - ADOPTION OF THE IDBF COMPETITION REGULATIONS. 国龙联会赛事规例的通过

CR 18 (CR16) These Competition Regulations were updated, by the IDBF Competition and Technical Commission (C&TC) in 2000, from those adopted on 1st January 1997 and were subsequently notified to the 8th IDBF Congress in 2001.

The Regulations were further updated by the C&TC in 2002, 2003 and approved by the IDBF Council in October 2003, under Article 43 of the IDBF Statutes and notified to the 9th IDBF Congress on 31st October 2003 as the 4th Edition.

The 5th Edition was approved by the IDBF Council and ratified by the Congress in 2007 and this 6th Edition as approved by the IDBF Council and ratified by the 14th IDBF Congress in 2011 is effective from 1stJanuary 2012 and will remain in force for a minimum period of four (4) years, as laid down in Article 29 of the IDBF Statutes.

The 7th Edition was approved by the IDBF Council and ratified by the Congress in 2015 is effective from 1st January 2016, apart from CR 1.5.2 which is effective from 1_{st} May 2016, after the 10_{th} Club Crew World Championship. The Changes will remain in force for a minimum period of four (4) years, as laid down in Article 29 of the IDBF Statutes.

The 8th Edition was approved by the IDBF Council and ratified by the Congress in 2019 is effective from 1st January 2020. The Changes will remain in force for a minimum period of four (4) years, as laid down in Article 29 of the IDBF Statutes.

Annex A to Competition Regulation 8.4.2

Competitors and Team Leaders Declaration

In Respect of the Competitors Medical & Financial Status

I the undersigned	
ON BEHALF of the	(Team Name)
	signatures appears on the attached list are through their I trained for competitive Dragon Boat Racing and that they
	at they have undergone a medical check and that there is not take part in the race programme of the IDBF World entered.
Organisers and hereby discharge the Organising C concerned, and the International Dragon Boat Fede organisations connected directly or indirectly with the	v all rules and conditions of the IDBF and the Event committee, the IDBF Member Dragon Boat Federation eration (IDBF), as well as any other individual or ne Championships from any responsibility in the event of as a direct consequence of or whilst travelling to or from
in full before the first day of competition and that in signatories during the Championships that the Organization	Organising Committee in respect of my Team, will be paid the event of any debts being incurred by any of the anising Committee will be reimbursed in full before the thin 30 days of the end of the said Championships.
Signed(Team Leader)	Date
Name Tean	١

Annex B to Competition Regulation 8.4.2 IDBF Medication Declaration Form for Banned Substances

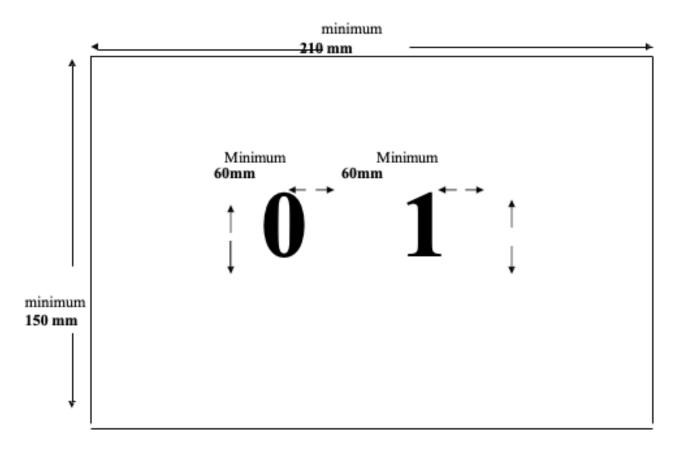
and Official Stamp

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Fore Names:		(Gender (M/F):				
Address:		-	Telephone: + (0)				
		1	Fax: + (0)				
Place:	Post Code:	1	Email:				
2. Substance	s Declared (to be completed by the pr	escribir	ng me	dical	doctor)		
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Salbutamol (e.g. V	/entolin Inhaler)					Inhalation:	
Salmeterol (e.g. Serevent Inhaler)						Inhalation:	
Terbutaline (e.g. Bı	Terbutaline (e.g. Bricanyl Inhaler)			Inha		Inhalation:	
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Doctor's Signature: Date (d/m/y)							

Date (d/m/y)

Annex to Competition Regulation - 9.9.2 IDBF RACING VEST NUMBER TEMPLATE



Template Not to Scale

The Vest Number shall be enclosed in a box of a minimum length of 210mm and depth of 150mm, that is to say A5 size. Each numeral shall be of a size that will fit into a box of a minimum size of 100mm tall and 60mm wide. Vest Numbers below the number 10 are to show a 0 as the first numeral, as shown in the TEMPLATE example. The number shall be shown on or attached to, the back of the Competitors Racing Vest

IDBF GLOSSARY OF TERMS

英译中(普通话)

English to Chinese (Mandarin)

(With acknowledgement to the Hong Kong Tourism Board)

(鸣谢:香港旅游理事会)

Acting General Secretary代理秘书长Aligner Assistant助理司线员Aligner司线员

Amateur Rowing Association of the Philippines 菲律宾业余赛艇协会

Amendments & Additions 修订和增订条款

Announce 广播员

Annual Ordinary Congress/Congress 普通年度代表大会/代表大会

Associate Membership 会友
Bidding System 投标制度
Boat Captain 龙舟队长
Boat Driver 龙舟驾驶员
Boat Holder 龙舟管理员

Boat Manufacturers License 龙舟制造商执照

Boat Marshall龙舟纠察Boat Marshalling Area龙舟检录处Brace the Boat稳住龙舟重心

 Championship Director
 锦标赛主任

 Championships Organizing Committee
 锦标赛组织/委员会

 Chief Boat Marshall
 龙舟裁判总长

Chief Boat Marshall龙舟裁判总长Chief Judge裁判长Chief Official赛事总裁判Chief Timekeeper计时裁判长Chief Umpire赛道总裁判

Chinese Dragon Boat Association (CDBA) 中国龙舟协会(中国龙协)

Class Grand Final 每组别总决赛

Classes 级别 Clean Water 水面距离

Club Crew World Championships 世界龙舟俱乐部锦标赛

Club Crews俱乐部队Code of Conduct行为守则Collision撞船Colours旗帜Commissions委员会

Competition & Technical Commission 竞赛及技术委员会

Competition Class 比赛级别

Competition Committee竞赛委员会Competition Director竞赛主任Competition Entry Form比赛报名表Competition Jury竞赛仲裁委员会Competition Regulations比赛规例Competitions竞赛

Congress 会员代表大会 Continental Championships 洲际锦标赛 **Continental Representatives** 洲代表 Control Clock 监控钟 Council 理事会 Course markings 赛场标记 Course Umpire 赛道裁判 Courts of Arbitration 仲裁法庭 Crew Assembly 赛队集合 **Crew Composition** 队员组合 Crew List 队员名单

Crew Manager 赛队领队 **Crew Members** 队员 Crew 赛队 Dead heat 不分胜负 **Directives** 指引 Disciplinary Code 纪律守则 **Disciplinary Measures** 纪律措施 **Disqualification Notice** 取消资格通知

Divisions 组别
Dock 停泊处
Domestic Races 国内赛事

Dope 兴奋剂/违禁药物

Doping 服用兴奋剂/服用违禁药物

Dragon Boat Racing Council of Canada 加拿大龙舟协会

Embark 出发

Embarking platform 登船平台

Emblems 会徽

Entry Fee 报名费

Equipment Commission 器材装备委员会

Event Organizers 赛事组织者

Exclude 开除

Executive Committee 执行委员会

Expulsion 驱逐

Extraordinary Members 特别会员

False Start 错误出发

Final budget 最终预算

Finish Line Judge 终点裁判

Finish line 终点线

Finish time 到达终点时间

Finishing order 到达终点次序

Fit to race 适于比赛

Flag catcher 拔旗手

Framework 框架(龙舟)

Full Member 正式会员

General Secretary 秘书长

Gong Beater 罗手

Heats 预赛

IDBF Bulletin 国际龙联通报

IDBF Bye Laws 国际龙联附则

IDBF Championships 国际龙联锦标赛

IDBF Competition Regulations 国际龙联比赛条例

IDBF Council 国际龙联理事会

IDBF Member 国际龙联会员

IDBF Racing Rules 国际龙联比赛规则

IDBF Statutes 国际龙联章程

In Line Abreast 并排起步

In Line Astern **尾部并**齐

Information Sheet 资料表

国际比赛裁判执照

Intermediate Draw 中涂抽签

国际比赛时间表 International Calendar of Events

International Dragon Boat Federation (IDBF) 国际龙舟联合会

International Games 国际赛

International Race Officials Examination 国际比赛裁判员考试 International Race Officials License 国际比赛裁判证书 International Races International Regattas 国际比赛国际赛事 **IROC** 国际比赛事裁判证书 **IROL**

Jury 仲裁委员会 Lane Buoys 赛道浮标 Lane Number 赛道编码 Late Entry Fee 过期报名费 Line of Racing 比赛线 Loading area 上船区 Long Distance 长距离

Marketing, Sponsorship, Finance Committee 市场、赞助及财务委员会

Medical Staff 医务人员 Member Organization Merchandising 会员组织商品 Myanmar Rowing Federation 缅甸赛艇协会

National Crews 国家龙舟队

National Officials Training Course 国家比赛裁判培训班

National Races 国家赛事 **National Team** 国家队

NROC 国家比赛裁判证书

Officers of Council 理事会官员

Officiating 裁判 Order of Starting 出发次序 **Ordinary Members** 普诵会员

Organizing Committee 组织委员会

Overtaking 超船 Paddle Specification 划桨规格 Paddler 划手

Participating Crews 参赛队伍

PFA (Personal Flotation Aids) 个人浮动器具 **Photofinisher** 终点摄像者

PIN 赛队身份编码

Place Certificates 名次证书
Place Race 名次赛
Plate Competition 碟赛
Pole marks 标志杆

Pontoon平底船Preparation & Organization筹办及组织Press Officer新闻官

Protocol 礼仪

Provisional Timetable of Races 临时的竞时间表

Public Relations & Mass Media Commission 公共关系及媒体委员会

Race Jury竞赛仲裁委员会Race Officials Assessment赛事裁判评核

Race Official竞赛事裁判Race Organizers竞赛组织者

Race Programmer 竞赛计划制定者

Race Recorder竞赛记录员Race Secretariat竞赛秘书处Racing Colours竞赛旗帜

Racing Course 赛场

Racing distance 比赛距离

Racing Lane 赛道

Racing long boat

Racing Line 赛线

Racing Number 比赛编码

Racing Paddle 比赛用桨 Racing Rules 比赛规则

Recall 重新召集

Regatta & Technical Installations Committee 竞赛和技术装置委员会

Regional Championships 地区性锦标赛

Register of Officials 裁判名册

Repechage Plan复赛 (小决赛) 计划Repechage Races复赛 (小决赛)

长体竞赛船艇

单桨片的划桨

出发集合区

Reprimand

Reserves 候补队员 Results Runner 成绩管理员

Rounds 轮

Safety Assistant 安全事务助理

Safety Officer 安全官员

Scoreboard 计分牌

Scrutineers 会议监票人 Secondary Placings 次要名次 Secretarial 秘书处

Secretary General 秘书长

Single-bladed Paddles

Site Steward 赛场工作人员

Situation 比赛场地的位置

Special Regulations 特殊条例

Sports Medicine & Sports Science Commission 体育医疗及体育科学委员会

Standards Class of Dragon Boat 龙舟标准版

Start Line 起点线

Start Time 出发时间

Starter 发令员

Starting Area 出发区

Starting Assembly Area Starting Signal 出发信号

Steerer/ Helm 舵手

Stewards 赛事工作人员

Stop Paddling 停止划动

Stop the Boat 停船

Suspension 中止会籍

Tail Races 榜尾赛

Team List 队员名单

Team Officials 赛队官员

Team 队

Timing System Operator (computer) 计时系统操作员 (电脑操作员)

Treasurer 司库

Turn Buoys 转向浮标 **Turning Points** 转向点

Umpire 赛道裁判

Wash Hanging 乘浪推进

Water depth 水深

World Championships 世界锦标赛

World Dragon Boat Racing Championships 世界龙舟锦标赛

Appendix 1 - Previous Amendments

Amendment 2023

- CR2.1.1 Open Class the primary class of racing. There are no age restrictions on crew competitions, or age except that competitors under 12 years of age must be accompanied in the boat by a parent or nominated responsible adult and must wear a personal floatation device (aid)
- CR2.1.2 In the women's racing class crew must be all female and any of age, except for those under 12 year old to whom regulation CR2.1.1 applies. In the BCP Division crews may race with male BCP crew members.

CR2.1.3 Mixed Class -

Standard boat combination – minimum eight (8) to a maximum of ten (10) paddlers of either gender. Drummer and helm can be either gender.

Small boat combination - minimum four (4) to a maximum of five () paddlers of either gender. Drummer and helm can be either gender.

- CR2.1.4 Junior Class Races may be held for mixed or single gender crews or in the Open competition, as shown above with the exception of the Drummer, all competitors must be aged 40 or over in the year of the Championship.
- CR2.1.6 24U Races can be held for mixed or single gender crews or in open competition for competitors aged 12-24 inclusive as at the 31 December in a given year.
- CR2.1.6 (2.2.1). 24 and under Races can be held for mixed or single gender crew or in Open Competition for competitors aged 12 to 24 inclusive, as at the 31st December in a given year. Note: by definition, drummers and steerers are classified as competitors.
- CR2.2.6.1 University Class Races may be held for mixed or single gender crews or in Open competition, as shown above, for bona fide students at a University.
- CR2.1.7 Paradragons Class Races may be held for in Open Competition, as shown above, in two categories:
- CR7.9 Buoyancy Aids. Personal Floatation Aids (buoyancy aids) should be made available for all junior crews in the event of inclement weather and for any competitor under the age of 12 years old (see Regulation 2.1) Personal buoyancy should also be worn by anu competitor, irrespective of age, who is a weak swimmer.
- CR7.16 Personal Photographs. At IDBF Championships, competing teams shall supply two (2) passport sized photographs for every person listed on the Named Entry form to the Championship Organising Committee. If possible photographs should also be submitted for all accredited supporters.
- CR10.8 Plan of Heats. At IDBF Championships a race programming system that ensures that crews who lose in the heats of a Competition Class have a second chance to qualify for the next higher round, must be used.

In addition, Place Races should be held in order to place crews in a results order that is relative to the other crews in their Competition Class.

For IDBF Championships, the IDBF Tail Race or Repechage Systems shall be adopted.

(The Repechage and Tail Race Plans, for use in IDBF Championships are published in Part 3 as Enclosures to these Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing). (Aug 23)

Amendment 2019

Removed BL 3.2 Dragon Boating. Dragon Boating is the act of going by dragon boat, from one point to another, but especially as a competitive pursuit or recreational hobby.

Removed BL 3.3 (1.1) Dragon Boat Racing. Dragon Boat Racing is the propulsion of a Dragon Boat over a predetermined distance or for a specified period of time. There are two kinds of Dragon Boat Racing recognised by the IDBF, namely Festival Racing and Sport Racing.

Removed BL 3.5 (1.3) Contests and Crews. A Dragon Boat contest is a sporting event consisting of timed runs down a set course by two or more crews or any number of 'first past the post' races, which may be organised into progressive rounds of competition according to the number and the classification of the crews taking part; or a combination of the two, or a timed 'point to point' race by crews against the clock.

BL 3.6.1 Dragon Boat Crews - Racer. Any member of a Dragon Boat (Long Zhou) crew

Amended CR 2.1.4 Junior Class.

U18: change the name to 18 and under:

"Races may be held for Single or Mixed gender crews or in Open Competition, with the exception of the Steerer (Helm) the following age categories, as at the 31st December in a given year."

U16: change the name to 16 and under:

"Races may be held for Single or Mixed gender crews or in Open Competition, with the exception of the Steerer (Helm) the following age categories, as at the 31st December in a given year."

U14: change the name to 14 and under:

"Races may be held for Single or Mixed gender crews or in Open Competition, with the exception of the Steerer (Helm) the following age categories, as at the 31st December in a given year."

Amended CR 2.1.6 (2.2.1) U24 and Under

Competitors can be held for mixed or single gender crews or in Open Competition for competitors aged 12 to 24 inclusive, as at the 31st December in a given year. Note: By definition, Drummers and Steerers are classed as Competitors.

New Regulation CR 2.1.6.1 University Class - Racers may be held for Single or Mixed gender crews or in Open Competition, as shown above, for bona fide students at a University

New Regulation CR 2.1.7 Para Dragons Class - Racers may be held in Open Competition, as shown above, in two categories:

PD1 - every paddler has a recognized impairment

PD2 - 50% of paddlers has a recognized impairment

This new regulation replaces the previous which is removed

New Regulation CR 2.2.1 Mixed Crews - When there are sufficient numbers of men and women competitors entered in either or both small or standard boat open and women classes, then the mixed entry must be made in the standard boat.

New Regulation CR 2.2.2 Double Rostering - A competitor, including drummer and helms, should only enter one (1) competition class. No allowance will be made in the programme or races delayed allowing a competitor to participate in more than one (1) competition class.

Removed part of 3.2. Thus a Standard Dragon Boat Team can range from 20 people (one crew) to a maximum of 588, dependent on the number of Championship Divisions and associated Crews represented in a World Championship Team, which can have a maximum of 7 Divisional Squads, of 84 people in each – 1 x Premier, 1 x U23s, 2 x Junior and 3 x Senior, each with an Open, Women and Mixed Crew. The numbers in a Small Boat Team will generally be 50%, plus 1, of a Standard Team.

Removed CR 3.3 Divisional Squads - Composition. The number of people in a Squad, within a Team, will vary according to the Competition Programme but shall be a maximum of 84 persons, per Standard Divisional Squad and 48 persons, per Small Divisional Squad.

Removed CR 3.3.1. Squad Crews Maximum Numbers. The maximum number of Racers in any Divisional Squad Crew would be 26 per Open, Women and Mixed Crew, plus their supporting officials (total of 6). The officials may be competitors.

Removed CR 3.4 The total maximum figure of 84 for each Divisional Squad, thus enables each Team to have specialist crews, each with a maximum of 26 racers, that is 22 + 4 reserve paddlers, in each of the Open, Women's and Mixed Racing Classes in a particular Standard Division or 14 (12 + 2) in a Small Boat Division.

Removed CR 3.4.1. **CR 3.4.1** (3.1.3) **For Junior and Senior Squads**, this becomes a maximum of 84 persons, per different Age Group, for example, Senior A and Junior B, within the Junior and Senior Divisions, that is 26 x 3 x 2 for a maximum total of 168 (156 racers, 12 Squad Officials) in the Junior Division and 26 x 3 x 3 (from 2013) for a total of 252 (234 + 18) in the Senior Division.

Removed CR 3.5. **CR 3.5** (3.1.3, 3.1.2) **From the maximum total of 84 per people** (48 Small Boat) per Divisional Squad, must come all the competitors for all the Competition Classes entered in a particular Division, that is, Premier, Junior or Senior, as the case may be, with which to contest all the Competition Classes entered in a particular Division. However, Mixed Crews can also be formed from a combination of competitors from the Open and Women's Crews).

CR 6.10 Water Depth amended.

The depth of water on a regatta course for an IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championship (WDBRC) and Club Crew World Championship (CCWC) should be a minimum of 3.5 metres, on a site where the bed of the Racing Course is proven to be uniform throughout – that is, a maximum 0.5 metres variance across the racing lanes.

CR 7.13 (7.12) IDBF Championship Races. When the number of Nations or Territories in a Competition Class in a World or Club Championships is less than three (3) then the title World Champion shall not be conferred on the winning crew.

CR 7.10.5 Distress Flags. Each Dragon Boat shall carry two GREEN flags, which is the international first aid colour (one in the front and one in the rear of the boat) which shall be waved by the Drummer and/or Helm in the event that a crew member is lost overboard during a race or other circumstances arise that necessitate a m3edical emergency as a 'Distress Signal' - see also Racing Rule 7.7.1)

Removed CR 7.12. (7.13) World Championships' Places All crews in a Class Grand Final will receive certificates of achievement recording their placing in the competition class. (Aug 11)

CR 8.3.1 Entry to World Championships. **1. An Entry** is made in the IDBF Championship Registration system at least 6 months before a Championship to indicate to the Organising Committee that a Team or Club Crew is entering the Championship. When the number of crews is below 3 then the competition class maybe withdrawn, and crews informed accordingly

- **2. A Confirmation of Entry** is also made in the Championship registration system at least 3 months before a Championship to indicate to the Organising Committee that a Team or Club Crew will enter the event.
- A team which withdraws or changes it entry after the confirmation of entry will pay an additional fee of 250 USD
- 3. A Final team names submission (list of team members including photographs) is recorder in the Registration system at least 8 weeks before a Championship and includes the Names and details of all the participants attending including Official Supporters
- 4. A Late Entry is one received after the closing date for the Confirmed Entry and up to four (4) weeks before an event

Provided that the Race Programme can accommodate such an entry, a Late Entry will only be accepted at the discretion of the IDBF Chair of C&TC and may attract a Late Entry Fee.

Removed CR 8.3.2 (8.3) For IDBF International Races entries may be accepted from non-members. Entries for IDBF competitions must be forwarded by crews through their IDBF Member, where one exists.

An entry shall be made on the Entry Form provided by the organisers. All Entries must be returned to the Organising Committee by the Closing Date for Entries.

Removed CR 8.3.3 (8.7) Late Entries. An Entry to an IDBF competition received after the Closing Date for Entries will be deemed to be late.

For non-championship events Late Entries may be accepted, at the discretion of the Organising Committee and confirmed at the Crew Managers (Team Leaders) meeting.

CR 8.5 (8.8) Competing Crews. All entries are shown on the IDBF registration system

For IDBF Championships details of the competitors in each National Team or Club Crew shall also be entered on to the IDBF Data Base.

CR 8.7 (8.4.1) Crew Lists. for all IDBF competitions Crew Lists showing the Names and Racing Numbers of the competitors in a crew must be printed from the registration system and submitted to Race Administration by end of days racing day before entered race

Removed CR 8.11 Results and Reports. In addition, two (2) full sets shall be sent to the IDBF Secretary General, together with any reports concerning protests or appeals concerning the competition, plus any other relevant documents.

CR 8.12 Distribution of income for European events See the EDBF amendments attached.

New Regulation CR 10.9.3 Penalties for withdrawing from a race.

A team that withdraws from a race without proven medical and health reasons shall be charged a penalty of 50USD. The numbers with proven medical or health reasons will need to be 5 for a standard boat and 3 for a small boat team as the reserves should be used.

A withdrawal also includes failure to report to Boat marshalling and the crew misses the race by their absence.

CR 10.9.3. **Aggregated Times**. Where the number of crews entered in a competition is small (below 6) and they race each other in a series of Competition Rounds, the race times will be added together to work out final placings (for example 2 rounds both race times will be added together or 3 rounds all 3 race times will be added together to work out final placings

If a team misses a round for whatever reason they will not qualify for a final result.

CR 13.4 **Seat Pads.** Dragon Boat Seat Pads (cushions) as described in Regulation 13.1 shall be made of a soft material, such as neoprene, of an approximate thickness of 15mm that will compress easily when squeezed between finger and thumb. The width of the seat pad may vary in size and shape but shall approximate to the width of a paddling seat in the IDBF Standard International Racing Boat and should ideally, not exceed 20cm in width and 40cm in length. Simple fastenings such as velco to attach to the seat are permissible.

Change to Current Revisions in EDBF Regulations

Removed Annex A - International Race Officials Scheme; Example Crew List; Annex A Competition Regulation 12 (CR12.a); Annex B Competition Regulation 12 (CR12.b); all references to World CorCom, and Community & Festival Racing.

Amendment 2016

CR1.5.2: Club Crew World Championships (CCWC).

For a CCWC a total of seven (7) combined small and standard crews in the same competition class may compete from one IDBF member. The seven (7) crews will include a maximum of five (5) Standard and two (2) Small boats. Allocation of entries will be nominated by the sanctioning IDBF Member concerned.

CR 2.1.3 Mixed Class

Crews must contain a minimum of eight (8) and a maximum of ten (10) of each gender. There are no restrictions on age, except for the 12 years old rule shown in Reg 2.1.1. For Small Boat Races this shall be 4 to 6 of either gender.

CR 2.1.6 (2.2.1). 18-23s. Races can be held for Mixed or Single gender crews or in Open Competition, as shown above, for competitors aged 12 to 23 inclusive, as at the 1st June in a given year. Up to two (2) Racers in a Standard Boat Com Competition and one (1) over 23 but under 26 as at the 1st June. Note: By definition Drummers and Steerers are 'Racers.

New Comp Regulation. CR 5.2.2 In all IDBF Championships, teams will not be allowed to use their own dragon boats and must use the dragon boats provided by the Organising Committee.

Comp Reg - Cr 5.5 - Sponsors Advertising.

At IDBF Championship sponsorship or advertising on, dragon boats and equipment, by an event sponsor, is permitted subject to the conditions laid down, under Regulation 7.2, by the IDBF Executive Committee from time to time. (See also Comp Reg 7.2.1 - 7.2.3, for conditions concerning advertising on crews clothing and equipment).

CR 5.11 Boat Weighting.

At an IDBF Championship (see Racing Rule R5.4) the Organisers shall provide adequate boat weighting equipment for use before and during the competition. At other IDBF Races boat weighting is not compulsory but may take place if requested by the Chief Official, prior to the event and provided that accurate weighting equipment is available. (See also Regs 13.1/13.3 Misc Equip).

Amendment 2012

CR 2.1.4 Junior Class - Races may be held for Single or Mixed gender crews or in Open Competition, as shown above, with the exception of the Steerer (Helm) the following age categories will apply to the Junior Class from 2013 **as at the 1st June**, in a given year. (Aug 11)

CR 2.1.5 Senior Class (Provisional)-

Senior A. Competitors over the age of 39.

Senior B. (Grand Dragons) Competitors over the age of 49.

Senior C. (Great Grand Dragons) over the age of 59.

on the 1st June, in a given year.

CR. 11.4.1 The number of in-competition tests at World Championships increased to six (6) from four (4).

Amendments 2010/2011

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A10. SITUATIONS NOT COVERED. In situations not covered......

For IDBF World Championship Regattas, the IDBF Jury, acting on behalf of the IDBF Executive Committee is empowered to make such decisions and to give such instructions as are necessary to affect the Purposes of A8 above concerning the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing. (Aug 10)

- **A11.3.1 Breast Cancer & All Survivors Crews** (BCS/ACS). Dragon Boat Crews formed from competitors who have been diagnosed with Breast Cancer or another form of Cancer or have suffered from Breast Cancer or another form of Cancer. (Aug 10)
- **A11.3.2 Disability Groups Crews** (Adaptive Paddlers). Crews formed from competitors with physical or mental conditions that limits their movements, senses or activities. (Aug 10)
- **A11.6.1 An IDBF Sanctioned Event. IDBF Sanctioning**, is given where the Dragon Boat organisation concerned is operating to organisational and safety standards that comply with the requirements of the IDBF Competition Regulations; Water Safety Policy and Safety Advice and the IDBF Rules of Racing. For example, a Championship Regatta. (Aug 11)
- **A11.6.2 An IDBF Approved Event**. **IDBF Approval** is given where the Dragon Boat organisation concerned has notified the IDBF that it is operating to organisational and safety standards that are acceptable to the IDBF but where the IDBF Competition Regulations are not necessarily applied. e.g. an IDBF Affiliate (Aug 11)
- **CR 1.2 Use.** These Competition Regulations shall also apply in full or part to IDBF organised; sanctioned or approved International Races for Representative or Club Crews......

At a CCWC, WCorcom or UCWC, crews must compete in their own organisation's colours
CR 1.4.2 Club Crew and Other Championships. CCWCs are restricted to Club Crews representing a Dragon Boa Crew or Club. For other Championship Regattas these numbers may be reduced to a minimum of four (4) Teams per Competition. (Aug 11)
1.4.2a (143.a) Breast Cancer Survivors – World Championships & Participatory Festivals.
Breast Cancer Survivors Crews (BCS) are classified as Club Crews and may therefore compete in a Club Crew World Championships (CCWC), within their own Racing Division, as well as in BCS Participatory Festivals (PF).
BCS Participatory Festivals are approved by the IDBF as World Class Regattas, under Comp Reg 1.3 and are held under the governance of the International Breast Cancer Paddlers Commission (IBCPC). The IBCPC is the IDBF C&TC Divisional Commission for Breast Cancer Survivors Dragon Boat Crews. (Aug 10)
CR 1.4.3 World Corporate & Community Championships (WCorcom) are primarily designed for Novice Crews,
In all Championships in the Junior & Senior Racing Divisions, one (1) crew per Age Class (presently A, B and C classes) is allowed but by exception two (2) crews may be allowed, on the recommendation of the C&TC, by the IDBF Executive Committee, for newly developing Age groups. (Aug 11)
CR 1.5.3 Continental & Regional Championships. For a Continental or Regional Championships, the number of entries per Competition allowed is as laid down by the Continental or Regional Federation concerned. (Aug 11) CR 1.7.1 CCWC. Entries to a Club Crew World Championship (CCWC) must be approved by the IDBF Member Association, BCS Crews must be affiliated to their IDBF Member and the IBCPC. (Aug11)
CR 1.7.2 Universities & Colleges World Championship. Competitors in Crews entering a UCWC must be currently registered as students at the University or College concerned. Crews must be sanctioned by and ideally affiliated to the IDBF Member Association, where one exists, in the Country or Territory in which the University or College is a registered entity. (Aug 10)
CR 2.1.2 Women's Class - In the Women's Racing Class crews must be all female and of any age, except for those under 12 In the BCS Division, Crews may race with Male BCS crew members. (Aug 10)
CR 2.1.3 Mixed Class - crews must contain a minimum of eight (8) and a maximum of twelve (12) Female paddlers For Small Boat Races this shall be 4 to 6 females. (Aug 10)
CR 2.1.4 Junior Class - Races may be held for Single or Mixed gender crews or in Open Competition, as shown above, with the exception of the Steerer (Helm) the following age categories, as at the 1st January until 2012 and then from 2013 as at the 1st June, (Aug 11) will apply to the Junior Class NOTE : This means that for 2012 a competitor whose 18th; 16th or 14thbirthday, falls on or after 1st January, can compete as 17, 15 or 13 year old's.
CR 2.1.5 Senior Class - Races can be held for, all competitors must be aged 40 or over, on the 1st June, in a given year. (Sep 07) The Senior Racing Classes are:
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Regattas may vary from time to time. Presently the following Championship Regattas.....

CR 1.3.1 IDBF Championship Regattas and Cup Competitions (Aug 10) may also

CR 1.4 Championship Crews. IDBF Championships.....for Representative Team Crews

d. **University / College Crew** represents the University or College concerned (Aug 10)

Crews from an IDBF Associate Member must compete in the Racing Colours of their Associate Member.

e. Adaptive Paddlers Crew (Para Dragons) represents a recognised Disability Group or Organisation.

The Universities & Colleges World Championships (UCWC) (Aug 10)

by the IDBF as World Class Regattas. (Aug 10)

Championship Regattas shall be held over a minimumThe number of IDBF Championships

The IDBF will also organise or sanction World Championship Regattas for Disability Groups (Adaptive Paddling or Para Dragons) and World Cup Competitions for the Sport, from time to time. World Cup Competitions are classified

- IDBF Competition Regulation & Rules of Racing Edition 9.0 Part 1. COMPETITION REGULATIONS **Senior C.** (Great Grand Dragons) over the age of 59 under the age of 70 years old.)
 - **CR 2.1.6** (2.2.1, 2.3.1). **18-23s.** Races can be held for Mixed or Single gender crews or in Open Competition, as shown above, for competitors aged 18 to 23 inclusive, as at the 1st June in a given year. (Aug 11). Up to four (4) Racers in a Standard Boat competition and 2 in a Small Boat competition, may be aged 16 but under 18 years old and two (2) and one (1) over 23 but under 26 as at the 1st June. (Aug 11). **Note:** By definition Drummers and Steerers are 'Racers
 - **CR 2.1.7 Additional Age Group Categories,** for the Junior and Senior Classes (for example Senior D, over 70 years old) may be added to and introduced at World Championship Regattas, when the IDBF Council so decides.
 - CR 2.3 Additional Classes. Other Racing and Competition Classes may be introduced at the discretion of the IDBF Executive Committeesubject to ratification by the IDBF Council. For the purposes of this Regulation, BCS Crews are considered as a separate Championship Division, for which dedicated World Championships may be held - see 1 4.3a& 2.4. CR 3.1 Crew Numbers. Dragon Boat Crews competing in World and Continental Championships.:a. for the Standard Racing Boat (DB22) in competition, a minimum of eighteen (18) and a maximum of twenty (20) Paddlers...... Up to four (4) Reserve Paddlers may also be nominated for a Crew..... b. for the Small Racing Boat (DB12) a crew shall consist of ten (10) paddlers and (2) nominated reserves, plus a Drummer and a Steerer, for a maximum of 14 Racers in a Crew. (Aug 10). CR 3.1.1 World Championship Crews, Squads & Team. For a WDBRC the minimum number of people in a Representative Team shall be 20 (Standard Boat) and 12 (Small Boat)..... CR 3.1.2 (3.1.1) Squad Composition The maximum number of people in a Squad, within a Team, will varyper Premier Standard Divisional Squad and 48 persons, per Premier Small Divisional Squad. The maximum number of Racers in the Premier Division Squad would be 26 per Open. Women and Mixed Crew, plus their supporting officials (total of 6). The officials may be competitors. For U23s,in a particular Standard Division or 14 (12 + 2) in a Small Boat Division. CR 3.1.3 (3.1.2) From this maximum total of 84 people (48 Small Boat)......Thus, a Standard Dragonto a maximum of 672, dependent on the number of Championship Divisions and associated Crews represented in a World Championship Team, that is, a maximum of 8 Divisional Squads of 84 people in each - 1 xPremier, 1 x U23s, 3 x Junior and 3 x Senior, each with an Open, Women and Mixed Crew. The numbers in a
 - CR 4.1 Representation. To represent a country or territory in an IDBF Championship......

Small Boat Team will generally be 50%, plus 1, of a Standard Team.

- **CR 4.2 Country or Territory of Residence.** Dragon Boat competitors who have left their country or territory of birth and are a permanent and not a temporary resident in another country or territory......
 - a. Exceptionally, competitors who have a permanent residential qualification of......
- **b. Temporary Residency.** A Temporary Resident, for the purposes of this Regulation, is a person who resides in a Country or Territory by virtue of a holding a visa, for example a visitor's visa, student visa, work visa or the like. The IDBF considers such visas to indicate a 'temporary' residency in the Country or Territory concerned, not a permanent residence, unless such a visa has been held for a current continuous period of 3 years or more, in which case for the purpose of representation at international level, permanent residency will be accepted by the IDBF as having been established. In such cases CR 4.2 also applies. (Aug 11)
- **CR 5.1** (5.4) **Traditional Designs.** The IDBF in recognising the different designs of Dragon Boat... as well as other forms of **Traditional Long Boats** (TLB) and other Traditional Paddled Watercraft (TPWC) that exist in Asia, Africa, Oceania and South America, endorses such TLBs and TPWC for general use by IDBF Members. The IDBF Council approvesand other TLB & TPWC common in other IDBF Member Countries.........
- CR 5.2.1 IDBF Building Specifications (IDBF Specs) consisting of a Technical Manual and Drawings for......
- **CR 5.3** (5.2) **Exceptions.** The IDBF Executive Committee shall be empowered, in exceptional circumstances, to permit the use of other designs of Traditional Dragon Boat and Paddles at a World Championship.
- **CR 5.3.1 Different designs of Approved Dragon Boats and Paddles** will not be permitted to race... Other designs of TLBs and paddled watercraft (TPWC) propelled by single bladed paddles, may......

CR 5.4 (5.3) International Races and Sanctioned Competitions. For IDBF sanctioned... the Dragon boats (Long Zhou) and equipment used should normally be to IDBF Spec, but other traditional designs may be used – for example the CTWDB and HKWDB. **In IDBF approved competitions**. Dragon boats of a different design, TLBs and other TPWC are permitted. **For both types of events**, the type and outline specifications of the boats and equipment being used must be notified in advance of the races by the Event Organiser, to the competing crews.

CR 5.5 Sponsors Advertising..... Under this Regulation, Organising Committees may. provided that all crews are supplied with newly purchased alternativeto IDBF Specifications......

CR 7.11 Titles and Prizes - Champions. When the number...... or University & College Championship....

CR 7.12. (7.13) World Championships' Places. Competitors in crews finishing in All crews in a Class Grand Final will receive certificates of achievement recoding their placing in the competition class. (Aug 11) CR 7.13 (7.12) IDBF Championship Races. When the number of Nations or Territories in a Competition Class in a World or Club Championships is less than six (6) then the title World Champion shallIDBF Championship Medals and trophies for the Competition Class concerned, will be awarded as follows: - (Aug 11)

- a. One Entry only
- b. Two Entries
- c. Three Entries
- d. Four or Five Entries
- a trophy and certificate of participation.
- 1st placed crew Medals. 2nd placed a trophy.
- First two crews Medals, 3rd placed a trophy.
- First three crews Medals, remaining crew(s) certificates.

CR 8.3.1 Entry Forms. For an IDBF World Championship Regatta there are four (4) types of Entry Forms for use at different stages in the entry process namely, Provisional Entry, Confirmed Entry, Final Named Entry, Deferred Entry and Late Entry. (Aug 2010)

- 1. **A Provisional Entry** is sent to the IDBF at least 6 months before an IDBF Championship to indicate to The Organising Committee that a Team or Club Crew intends to enter the event.
- 2. **A Confirmed Entry** is sent to the IDBF at least 3 months before a Championship to indicate to the Organising Committee that a Team or Club Crew will enter the event.
- 3. **A Final Named Entry** is sent to the IDBF a maximum of 6 weeks before a Championship and includes the Names and details of all the participants attending the Championship.
- 4. **A Deferred Entry** can be sent to the IDBF instead of the Final Named Entry, when the list of participants cannot yet be finalized or the full funding for the participants has yet to be confirmed. Such an Entry will ensure that the crews concerned are shown in the Race Programme for the Competition Classes they have entered and do not attract a Late Entry Fee.
- 5. **A Late Entry** is one received by the IDBF after the closing date for the Final Entry and up to two (2) weeks before an event, when a Deferred Entry has NOT been submitted. Provided that the Race Programme can accommodate such an entry, a Late Entry will only be accepted at the discretion of the IDBF Championship's Chief Official and will attract a Late Entry Fee.

The following Comp Regs have been renumbered as shown: - CR 8.3 now 8.3, 8.3.1 and 8 3.2 CR 8.4 now 8.6. CR 8.4.1 now 8.7, 8.7.1 and 8.7.2. CR 8.4.2 now 8.8.1a. CR 8.4.3 now 8.8.1b. CR 8.5 now 8.8. CR 8.5a now 8.8.2 CR 8.6 now 8.4 CR 8.7 now 8.3.3 CR 8.8 now 8.5 (8.8.1 now 8.5.1)

CR 13.3.1 Wrist Straps and Boat fasteners. Wrist to Paddle Straps are **NOT** allowed or any other fastening system that connects a competitor to a paddle or the boat, as such fittings constitute a safety hazard........

CR 13.4 Seat Pads. Dragon Boat Seat Pads (cushions) as described in Reg 13.1 shall be made of a soft material, such as neoprene, of an approximate thickness of 15mm that will compress easily when squeezed between finger and thumb. The width of the seat pad may vary in size and shape but shall approximate to the width of a paddling seat in the IDBF Standard International Racing Boat and should ideally, not exceed 20cm in width and 40cm in length. (Aug 11)

Amendments 2007/2008/2009

CR 2.1.5 Senior Class - Races can be held for Mixed or Single gender crews or in Open Competition, as shown above, with the exception of the Drummer, all competitors must be aged 40 or over, **on the 1st June**, in a given year. (Sep 07)

CR 2.3.1 With effect from 01 January 2008, an additional Championship Class will take effect, for competitors over 17 and

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- **CR 4.1 a. Dual Nationality**: Competitors with dual nationality (citizenship) may represent the Country or Territory of their Birth or their dual citizen Country or Territory, whichever of these they are residing in, providing that they have been resident in that Country or Territory for a current period of at least 3 full years. Competitors who do not meet these requirements must comply with Regulation 4.2 or 4.2a below. (Sep 07)
- **CR 5.6 Means of Propulsion.** Dragon Boats shall be propelled solely by means of single bladed paddles. These paddles shall not be fixed to the boat in any way, with the exception of the paddle (Oar) used by the Steerer (Helm). As this is used in the manner of a rudder it may be supported within the framework of the boat but propulsion of the boat by the Steerer (Helm) is not allowed. (Dec 08).
- **CR 13.3.1 Wrist Straps**. Wrist to Paddle Straps are allowed provided that the fastening to the wrist is of a 'quick release' nature and not a buckle type of fastening. (Aug 09)

Amendments 2005 & 2006

- **CR 6.10 Water Depth.** The depth of water on a Grade A regatta course for an IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championship (WDBRC) should be a **minimum of 3.5 metres**, on a site where the bed of the Racing Course is proven to be uniform throughout that is, a maximum 0.5 metre variance across the racing lanes. For all other Championship Regattas (Grade B course) and IDBF International Races (Grade C course) a minimum water depth of **three (3) metres** is **acceptable. (P Oct 05). Advisory Note:** Where the course bed is uneven then the depth of the racing lanes on a Grade A Course should ideally be between 5 metres and 6.5 metres maximum and at least 4 metres minimum on Grade B and C courses. (Oct 05)
- **CR 13.1** Generally additional equipment designed to be added to the boat or personal or miscellaneous equipment designed to enhance the performance of the boat or a crew member shall not be permitted
- **Note of intention added to Regulation 13.1 Note:** It is not the intention of this Regulation to exclude equipment enhancements such as, strapping to a paddle to assist grip, Velcro fasteners for seat pads (see Regulation 13.4), sponges or boat bailers, and pads for competitors comfort or other items that are not performance enhancing or a safety risk to members of the Crew see 13.3. (Oct 05).
- CR 1.4.3 a. Breast Cancer Survivors Crews World Championships Events.

Breast Cancer Survivors Crews (BCS) are classified as Corcom Crews and may therefore compete in a World Corcom, within their own Racing Class (Sep 03) as well as the BCS World Dragon Boat Championships. BCS Championships are sanctioned by the IDBF as a World Championship Regatta and organised by the International Pink Dragon Boat Commission (IPDBC) which is the IDBF C&TC Divisional Committee for Breast Cancer Survivors. If a BCS Crew is a bona fide Club Crew or part of a Dragon Boat Club, then they may compete as a Club Crew in a Club Crew World Championships. (Nov 06)

- CR 3.1 Crew Numbers. Dragon Boat Crews competing in World and Continental Championships will normally consist
 - a. for the Standard Racing Boat (DB22) a minimum of eighteen (18) and a maximum of twenty (20) Paddlers; one (1) Steerer and one (1) Drummer; giving a minimum
 - b. for the Small Racing Boat (DB12) the crew shall consist of ten (10) paddlers plus a Drummer and a Steerer, for a maximum of 12 Racers in a Crew. (Nov 06)
- **CR 4.3 Club Crews.** In IDBF Championships for **Club Crews** a Racer can only represent one Dragon Boat Crew. The rules for National Crew Representation need not apply but all competitors must have been bona fide members of the Dragon Boat Crew that they represent, for at least **SIX** (6) months (Nov 06) before the Club Crew Championships in question. **See Bye Law 12.3 for the definition of a Dragon Boat Club Crew.**
- **CR 4.3.1.** A bona fide Club Member is one that has regularly trained and/or competed for the Club Crew that they're presenting during the minimum period of **six months** shown in 4.3. A bona fide Club Member will normally be resident in the Country in which the Club Crew is located. A Club Member who trains and competes with a Club Crew from a different Country or Territory or a geographical Region within a Country to the one in which the Club Member himself(or herself) is normally domiciled, will only be considered as a bona fide Club Member if they can prove that they have physically attended their Club to train or compete for a period or of at least twelve (12) weeks, over a minimum period of two (2) racing seasons.
- **CR 6.3 Racing Lanes. Added after** "with alternately a maximum of nine (9) boats in 10m lanes" (Line 4) A return lane of at least 9metres, on either side of the Racing Lanes, should also be provided. (Oct 06) In a non-championships competition the Racing Course shall be

