

EVESHAM REGATTA: IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL COMPETITORS 2011

Evesham Rowing Club hope that everyone will enjoy the regatta and that all involved will do their best to ensure the safety of everyone involved. However each individual must exercise a duty of care both to third parties and themselves.

ROW WELL, HAVE FUN.

- Crews must report to REGISTRATION at least 1 hour before racing to collect their number which must be worn by BOW & COX during racing. **As entry is by BROE licenses must only be handed to Registration if you qualify for a final. No prizes will be given until licenses have been examined and where necessary punched. All substitutions must be notified to registrations prior to a crew's first race in an event.**
- No number will be issued and therefore a crew will not be allowed to boat until full payment has been received. **Remember all boats must have a BOAT ID NUMBER**
- Prizes will be withheld or withdrawn from any competitors if errors of status are found or if misrepresentation has taken place.
- Crews must report to the BOAT PAIRING AREA with their opposition before proceeding to boat – no crews will be allowed to proceed to the start without their opposition. Control Commission safety checks will take place in the Boat Pairing Area. The lowest number crew will row on the boathouse side. Crews should report 30 minutes before they are due to race. It is the crew's responsibility to ensure that their boat and life jackets comply with the Rules of Racing and Row Safe Guide.
- All coxes must be weighed before racing and given a weight certificate that must be carried at all times. They are requested to bring their own dead weights if required which must comply with British Rowing's Rules of Racing. Checks may be made throughout the day.
- Crews shall leave the Landing stage ONLY when AUTHORISED to do so by the landing stage marshals. On the SATURDAY crews must immediately cross the river.
- Competitors are required to proceed to the start on the ROAD SIDE of the River on SATURDAY and the BOATHOUSE side on the SUNDAY. Please ensure that you do not impede a race coming down the course, particularly when crossing the River to the ROAD SIDE. The course is buoyed. Please ensure all competitors are familiar with the map of the course.
- Competitors must comply with all instructions issued by umpires, marshals or safety officials positioned along the course.
- At the finish of each race, a bell will be rung from the Judge's tent and the result will be announced. In the event of a dead heat, the crews shall return to the start (without disembarking) and the race will be re-rowed.
- **Coaching from the bank is prohibited. Coaches must not use bikes to follow a race. The tow-path is too busy to make this safe**
- Every competitor will wear the colours of the club he/she is representing in the race concerned. Crews representing a single club shall wear a uniform racing strip.
- The Regatta Committee reserves the right to make any alterations to the programme as may be considered necessary for the better running of the Regatta.
- **Practising on the Regatta course or anywhere on the river is not allowed – it is dangerous - and any crew found doing so will be subject to disqualification**
- **No row-over will be permitted at any time, except in a final where the remaining competitor must row over to claim their prize.**
- First Aid (Paramedic) is situated in the club Car Park. **First Aid can be called by any Marshall or Umpire.**
- A public telephone is located in the main upstairs corridor of the club. For EMERGENCY SERVICES dial 999. Mobile phones will be in Registration & Control for Emergencies Only.
- The nearest Hospital is half a mile away on the opposite side of the river from the club, between the 2 bridges and about 300m from the Abbey Road Bridge .
- ***Any competitor that falls into the river under any circumstances will not be allowed to race again until BR's capsiz procedure has been followed (showering etc), dry kit has been obtained and the Paramedic has authorised it.***

The Regatta Committee accepts no responsibility for competitor's (or spectator's) personal property.

We would remind anyone camping not to leave valuable items in their tents.

IN THE INTEREST OF SAFETY NO BARBEQUES OR OPEN FIRES ARE ALLOWED.

Please help us to keep the regatta field clean by putting all rubbish in the bins/bags provided.