

Additional Q+A from 2022 Concord Pacific Dragon Boat Festival Administrator/Steersperson Meeting

June 8, 2022

1. Our steersperson is not available for a race. Who can we contact?

Please email registrar@dragonboatbc.ca as soon as possible.

If you encounter this issue during the Festival, please visit the Race Registrar tent first thing in the morning, and we will try to assist you.

Dragon Boat BC cannot guarantee you a steersperson if you request one, as it is entirely dependent on the volunteer pool. Your steersperson is randomly assigned from the pool.

At the Race Registrar tent there will be a list of available steerspeople.

If you are able to assist other teams and be on the steersperson pool as a steersperson, please email registrar@dragonboatbc.ca.

We recommend that teams use a spare paddler as a drummer, as volunteer pool individuals will not be familiar with your team's race plan and calls.

2. I am from out of town, will I be provided a tent, chairs or tables?

Please email registrar@dragonboatbc.ca to make your request. We will only provide 1 tent, 1 table, and 10 chairs to teams visiting from outside of BC.

3. Can a Junior paddler race on a Premier Mixed team?

Please email registrar@dragonboatbc.ca with your request.

Our race rules require that Racers at least 19 years old on a premier team, and that racers under 19 are reviewed and approved on a case by case basis by the Race Director. The rule's intent is to allow youth paddlers time to develop within the youth divisions before racing in the Premier division.

Please note all other restrictions and requirements for Junior paddlers are in place including: youth informed consent form signed by their parent/guardian, and appropriate supervision.

4. Can a paddler also be a drummer or steersperson for another team?

According to rule 5.8.1 and 5.8.2, racers may steer or drum for multiple teams in a division as long as they are listed on the roster. Cross-rostering across different divisions is allowed. Races will not be held back for double-rostered individuals. No double rostering within a division is otherwise allowed.

For added clarity, this means that a racer may paddle on a Premier Mixed team in the Premier Mixed division plus a Premier Women team in the Premier Women division, and also steer or drum for other teams as they wish. Steerspeople and drummers must be listed on each team's roster.

5. I want to file a protest, what do I do?

A protest must be filed in writing using the appropriate Protest form by the Team Captain or Manager to the Race Registrar, along with a \$50 CAD protest fee (in cash- fee returned if protest upheld) within 10 minutes of the incident being protested. Affected teams will be notified, and their Manager must remain in contact with the Race Registrar until the Protest is resolved. Please refer to the 2022 race rules at concorddragonboatfestival.ca/downloads for what is allowable protest reasons.

6. How many races does each division race over the weekend?

- Premier Mixed: 4X500, up to top 18 teams in 2K on Sunday
- Premier Women: 4X500, up to top 12 teams in 2K on Saturday
- Junior Mixed: 4X500
- Paddlers Abreast Canada Breast Cancer Survivor Divisions: 4X500
- Premier Open: 3X500, up to top 6 teams in 2K on Saturday

7. How does one qualify for Guts and Glory?

Top teams in the Premier Mixed, Premier Women, and Premier Open divisions will be invited to race in our signature Guts and Glory 2,000 M race. Teams wishing to opt-out of the 2K should inform the Race Registrar as soon as possible so that our race operations team can plan accordingly.

8. What are the distances for the Specialty Cups?

100 M knockouts will be held for the 24U Cup and the Senior Cup. The one-off Cancer Survivor/Supporter race will be a single 100 M race. All specialty cups are estimated to start around 12:00 PM- 1:00 PM on Saturday.

9. I missed the race package pick up at Vessi. When can I pick up our race package?

The Race Registrar will be at Creekside Community Centre Office to distribute racer packages on:

- Monday June 20, 5:00 to 8:00 PM
- Friday June 24, 6:00 to 8:00 PM

10. When do rosters and waivers have to be submitted?

Draft Rosters and waivers are due by Monday June 20. Please only click save, and do not click submit until you are ready to send the final version. Final rosters are due Wednesday June 22.

11. Are tent spaces assigned, and will two tents fit?

Yes, teams will be assigned spots within Racer's Village. Each team is assigned 10 feet x 20 feet of space (2 pop up tents). Please email registrar@dragonboatbc.ca if you would like to be located close to another team in Racer's Village. We will try to keep teams and hosts close together.

12. How do I add team members, create a roster, or make roster changes?

Please see the help guide online at the following link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cNePtEUSkoXoHl6CUw29o8RvnOMAYe_L/view

Please note that after you submit a roster, it is locked for changes, and you will need to request permission to change it. Please save your drafts as drafts, and do not click submit until you are ready to submit.

If you still need assistance, please email registrar@dragonboatbc.ca