

<p>EVENT REGULATIONS AND/OR DEPARTURES FROM THE FISA RULES OF RACING – WORLD ROWING MASTERS REGATTA</p>		
<p>Regulation 1 – Application These regulations apply to the World Rowing Masters regatta together with and not in exclusion of the Rules of Racing.</p>		
<p>Regulation 2 – Governance World Rowing Masters Regattas are international regattas and shall be rowed according to the FISA Rules of Racing and related Bye-Laws in addition to these Event Regulations.</p>		
	<p><u>NEW - Regulation 3 – Competition in World Rowing Masters Regatta (Rule 11)</u> <u>At a World Rowing Masters Regatta all crews shall enter and compete in the name of a club, or as a composite crew comprising members of two or more clubs. Only clubs recognised by their member federation may enter and compete.</u></p>	
<p>Regulation 3 – Boat Classes The World Rowing Masters Regatta offers racing in the following boat classes- Men 1x, 2x, 2-, 4x, 4+, 4-, 8+ Women 1x, 2x, 2-, 4x, 4+, 4-, 8+ Mixed 2x, 4x, 8+</p>	<p>Regulation 3 – Boat Classes The World Rowing Masters Regatta offers racing in the following boat classes- Men 1x, 2x, 2-, 4x, 4+, 4-, 8+ Women 1x, 2x, 2-, 4x, 4+, 4-, 8+ Mixed 2x, 4x, 8+</p>	<p>Moved to regulation 7 to be in same order as corresponding Rules.</p>
	<p><u>NEW - Regulation 4 – Coxswains (Rule 27 & 28)</u> <u>The rules for coxswains shall apply to World Rowing Masters Regattas crews except as provided in this Regulation.</u> <u>A coxswain may be of either gender and is not included in the calculation of the age of the crew.</u> <u>At a World Rowing Masters Regatta coxswains are not required to be weighed before their race but are subject to random checks, or selection, by the President of the Jury or his delegate, for weighing immediately after disembarking after their race. If a coxswain, together with any deadweight he has carried in the boat during the race, is found to weigh less than the minimum weight required by these Rules when checked immediately after his race, the crew shall be excluded from that event.</u></p>	<p>Weighing of Coxswains (Rule 28) – Masters Regatta coxswains are not weighed but may be weighed on a random basis or by selection. The proposal to allow either gender coxswains for the World Rowing Masters Regatta will not be separately needed if the proposal to apply to all crews in the Rules is adopted.</p>
<p>Regulation 4 – Masters Age Categories (Rule 32 and Bye-law to Rule 32) A rower may compete in Masters rowing events from the beginning of the year during which he attains the</p>	<p>Regulation 4 5 - Masters Age Categories (Rule 32 and Bye-law to Rule 32)</p>	

<p>age of 27. The age of a rower in a Masters rowing event shall be that which he attains during the year of the event. Masters rowing events shall be held in the following crew age categories:</p> <p>A Minimum age: 27 years B Average age: 36 years or more C Average age: 43 years or more D Average age: 50 years or more E Average age: 55 years or more F Average age: 60 years or more G Average age: 65 years or more H Average age: 70 years or more I Average age: 75 years or more J Average age: 80 years or more K Average age: 85 or more</p> <p>Age categories do not apply to coxswains of Masters crews.</p>		
<p>Regulation 5 – Health and Fitness (Bye-law to Rule 99) Each competitor shall be responsible for his own health and fitness. For Masters rowers, it is a personal responsibility of the rower to undergo a pre-competition health screening which includes a questionnaire, an annual physical examination and ECG following the IOC's recommended procedure.</p>	<p>Regulation 5 – Health and Fitness (Bye-law to Rule 99) Each competitor shall be responsible for his own health and fitness. For Masters rowers, it is a personal responsibility of the rower to undergo a pre-competition health screening which includes a questionnaire, an annual physical examination and ECG following the IOC's recommended procedure.</p>	<p>Moved to Regulation 17 to be same order as Rules</p>
<p>Regulation 6 – Proof of Age Masters rowers must be in a position to prove their age by presentation of an official document (passport or photo identity card).</p>	<p>Regulation 6 – Proof of Age Masters rowers must be in a position to prove their age by presentation of an official document (passport or photo identity card).</p>	<p>This provision is already included in Bye-law to Rule 32.</p>
<p>Regulation 7 – Mixed Masters events (Rule 33) Mixed crew events may be held for Masters crews in which half of the crew excluding the coxswain, shall be women and half shall be men. The coxswain may be of either gender.</p>	<p>Regulation 7 <u>6</u> – Mixed Masters events (Rule 33) Mixed crew events may be held for Masters crews in which half of the crew, excluding the coxswain, shall be women and half shall be men. The coxswain may be of either gender.</p>	<p>If proposal on gender of coxswains (Rule 27) is adopted then the final sentence here can be deleted.</p>
	<p>Regulation 3 <u>7</u> – Boat Classes The World Rowing Masters Regatta offers racing in the following boat classes- Men 1x, 2x, 2-, 4x, 4+, 4-, 8+ Women 1x, 2x, 2-, 4x, 4+, 4-, 8+ Mixed 2x, 4x, 8+</p>	<p>Moved from Regulation 3 to be same order as Rules.</p>
	<p>NEW - Regulation 8 - Number of Lanes For a World Rowing Masters Regatta races may be held on up to eight lanes.</p>	
	<p>Regulation 10 <u>9</u> - Rowers Clothing <i>and Blade Colours</i> (Rule 51)</p>	<p>Moved from Regulation 10 to be same order as Rules.</p>

	<p>At a World Rowing Masters Regatta, members of the same crew shall compete wearing uniform clothing (racing shirt and shorts or equivalent and any additional garments). The regulation regarding uniform clothing will not be enforced in mixed crews.</p> <p><u>Crews may race with blades which are not of uniform colour within the crew.</u></p>	<p>Crews use <u>different blade colours</u> within a crew at World Rowing Masters Regatta.</p>
<p>Regulation 8 – Crew Changes after the Entry Deadline and up to one hour before the First Heat (Rule 59) In the case of Masters crews, a substitute shall not be permitted if the age of the substituting rower would result in the lowering of the average age of the crew by more than one year or would change the age category of the crew concerned.</p>	<p>Regulation 8 <u>10</u> – Crew Changes after the Entry Deadline and up to one hour before the First Heat (Rule 59) In the case of Masters crews, a substitute shall not be permitted if the age of the substituting rower would result in the lowering of the average age of the crew by more than one year or would change the age category of the crew concerned.</p>	
<p>Regulation 9 – Progression System At World Rowing Masters Regattas, there will be a final for events where the number of entries is the same or fewer than the number of available racing lanes. Where the number of entries in an event exceeds the number of available racing lanes, the entry will be divided into two or more finals.</p>	<p>Regulation 9 <u>11</u> – Progression System (Rule 67) At a World Rowing Masters Regatta, there will be a final for events where the number of entries is the same or fewer than the number of available racing lanes. Where the number of entries in an event exceeds the number of available racing lanes, the entry will be divided into two or more finals <u>accordingly, the draw for which shall be made in accordance with Regulation 11.</u></p>	
	<p><u>Regulation 12 - The Draw (Rule 68)</u> <u>Where an event is divided into two or more finals, the allocation of crews to each such final shall be the responsibility of the Masters Commission or its delegated representatives.</u></p>	<p><i>The Draw for FISA Masters regatta is NOT random and it takes place 1 month or 3 weeks before the regatta.</i></p>
<p>Regulation 10 – Rowers’ Clothing (Rule 51) At World Rowing Masters Regattas, members of the same crew shall compete wearing uniform clothing (racing shirt and shorts or equivalent and any additional garments). The regulation regarding uniform clothing will not be enforced in mixed crews.</p>	<p>Regulation 10 – Rowers’ Clothing (Rule 51) At World Rowing Masters Regattas, members of the same crew shall compete wearing uniform clothing (racing shirt and shorts or equivalent and any additional garments). The regulation regarding uniform clothing will not be enforced in mixed crews.</p>	<p>Moved to Regulation 8 to be same order as Rules.</p>
<p>Regulation 11 – Damage while in the Start Zone At World Rowing Masters Regattas, if a crew, while still in the start zone, sustains damage to its boat or equipment, then a member of the crew shall raise an arm to indicate that there is a problem. The Starter or Umpire shall stop the race. The Umpire shall decide, after having examined the damage, whether the claim was justified, after consulting (if necessary) with the President of the Jury. The Masters Rowing Commission may establish, if announced in advance of the masters regatta, a uniform time limit within</p>	<p>Regulation 11 <u>13</u> – Damage while in the Start Zone At a World Rowing Masters Regatta, if a crew, while still in the start zone, sustains damage to its boat or equipment, then a member of the crew shall raise an arm to indicate that there is a problem. The Starter or Umpire shall stop the race. The Umpire shall decide, after having examined the damage, whether the claim was justified, after consulting (if necessary) with the President of the Jury. The Masters Rowing Commission may establish, if announced in advance of the masters regatta, a uniform time limit within which a crew that sustains damage must complete repairs</p>	

<p>which a crew that sustains damage must complete repairs and be ready to start, or else withdraw from the race. For the purpose of this Bylaw, a crew is still in the start zone if the bow of its boat has not yet crossed the 100 metres line.</p>	<p>and be ready to start, or else withdraw from the race. For the purpose of this Bylaw, a crew is still in the start zone if the bow of its boat has not yet crossed the 100 metres line.</p>	
<p>Regulation 12 – Conduct of Races At World Rowing Masters Regattas, static umpiring positions shall be used, in order to eliminate the nuisance of wash from motor boats. Normally, no motor boats shall follow the races, and the number of such boats on the water shall be the absolute minimum for the efficient operation and maintenance of the course and for safety. At the discretion of the Masters Rowing Commission, an Umpire’s launch may be used to follow races.</p>	<p>Regulation 12 <u>14</u> – Conduct of Races At a World Rowing Masters Regatta, static <u>zonal</u> umpiring positions shall be used, in order to eliminate the nuisance of wash from motor boats <u>allow races to be run at short intervals</u>. Normally, no motor boats shall follow the races, and the number of such boats on the water shall be the absolute minimum for the efficient operation and maintenance of the course and for safety. At the discretion of the Masters Rowing Commission, an Umpire’s launch may be used to follow races.</p>	<p>Zonal umpiring mostly at WR Masters regatta.</p>
<p>Regulation 13 – Titles, Prizes and Cups Medals will be awarded to the winners of each final. The design of the prize medals shall be subject to the approval of the Masters Rowing Commission.</p>	<p>Regulation 13 <u>15</u> – Titles, Prizes and Cups Medals will be awarded to the winners of each final. The design of the prize medals shall be subject to the approval of the Masters Rowing Commission.</p>	
<p>Regulation 14 – Exceptional Cases Should it be necessary to take decisions in exceptional cases (e.g., suspension of the regatta), the Chair of the Masters Rowing Commission, in consultation with the President of the Jury and the Chair of the Organising Committee shall make such decisions.</p>	<p>Regulation 14 <u>16</u> – Exceptional Cases Should it be necessary to take decisions in exceptional cases (e.g., suspension of the regatta <u>postponement of a racing session</u>), the Chair of the Masters Rowing Commission, in consultation with the President of the Jury and the Chair of the Organising Committee shall make such decisions.</p>	<p>To standardise terminology</p>
<p>Regulation 15 – Interpretation of Regulations On behalf of the Executive Committee, the Masters Rowing Commission shall adjudicate on all cases not covered by the Rules of Racing, the Bye-Laws and the present Regulations, as well as on disputes which may arise during a World Rowing Masters Regatta. The decision of the Masters Rowing Commission shall be final.</p>	<p>Regulation 15 <u>17</u> – Interpretation of Regulations On behalf of the Executive Committee, the Masters Rowing Commission shall adjudicate on all cases not covered by the Rules of Racing, the Bye-Laws and the present Regulations, as well as on disputes which may arise during a World Rowing Masters Regatta. The decision of the Masters Rowing Commission shall be final.</p>	
	<p>Regulation-5 <u>18</u> – Health and Fitness (Bye-law to Rule 99) Each competitor shall be responsible for his own health and fitness. For Masters rowers, it is a personal responsibility of the rower to undergo a pre-competition health screening which includes a questionnaire, an annual physical examination and ECG following the IOC’s recommended procedure.</p>	<p>Moved from regulation 5 to be in same order as Rules</p>
	<p><u>Regulation 19 – Anti-doping</u> <u>Any rower at the World Rowing Masters Regatta selected to</u></p>	

	<p><u>undergo an in-competition anti-doping test and who is using a prohibited substance or a prohibited method for therapeutic reasons must note the prohibited substance or method on the doping control form during the testing process. An application for a retroactive Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) must then be made by the Rower to FISA within 14 days of the test. The TUE application must be entered into ADAMS.</u></p>	
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