

DETAIL OF ALTERATIONS – 2016 RA RULES REVIEW - FULL

RULE NUMBER	OLD RULE	NEW RULE	Detail
9.2	The Board shall determine the dates for the conduct of all RA Events	RA shall determine the dates for the conduct of all RA Events	Changed from Board to RA to match current practises
9.5.1	Entries into all RA events are to be made via the online regatta entry platform specified by the Board.	Entries into all RA events are to be made via the online regatta entry platform specified by RA.	Changed from Board to RA to match current practises
10.6.1	At the conclusion of the Interstate Events at the Australian Rowing Championships, RA will present the Rowing Australia Cup, which may be known as "Sponsor Name" Rowing Australia Cup and shall be presented on an annual basis to the Member Association which secures the highest overall score for events conducted in the Interstate Regatta with the exception of the Women's Legs, Trunk and Arms Single Scull and the Men's Legs, Trunk and Arms Single Scull which will begin being counted for points from 2017.	At the conclusion of the Interstate Events at the Australian Rowing Championships, RA will present the Rowing Australia Cup, which may be known as "Sponsor Name" Rowing Australia Cup and shall be presented on an annual basis to the Member Association which secures the highest overall score for events conducted in the Interstate Regatta.	LTA Single Sculls will begin counting for points in 2017
18.6	18.6 Open 'Club' events at the National Championships are restricted to: 18.6.1 Athletes who are all the member of the one club, including the coxswain 18.6.2 Athletes who have not been a member of a National Senior A or Under 23 team in the previous year (athletes who have been a member of a National Junior or Under 21 team in the previous year are eligible to compete in Club events) 18.6.3 Athletes who are not current members of a State senior team ie. President's Cup, Nell Slatter Trophy, Penrith Cup, Victoria Cup, King's Cup and Queen's Cup crews. 18.6.4 Athletes who are not nominating for national selection in the current year (athletes nominating of national selection in a National Junior or Under 21 team are eligible to compete in Club events) Athletes entering Open 'Club' events must not have nominated for a National Senior A or Under 23 team at the point of close of entries.	18.6 Open 'Club' events at the National Championships are restricted to: 18.6.1 Athletes who are all the member of the one club, including the coxswain 18.6.2 Athletes who have not been a member of a National Senior A or Under 23 team in the previous year (athletes who have been a member of a National Junior or Under 21 team in the previous year are eligible to compete in Club events) 18.6.3 Athletes who have not nominated for national selection in the current year (athletes nominating of national selection in a National Junior or Under 21 team are eligible to compete in Club events), at the point of close of nominations for said teams. For clarity, any athlete who is nominated for a National Senior A or Under 23 team when nominations for those teams close is not eligible to compete in Club events in that year.	Change to allow senior State crew athletes to compete in Club events, but have more restriction around athletes nominating for National Senior A and Under 23 teams.
27.1	Coxswains are members of the crew. However, a women's crew may be steered by a man and a men's crew may be steered by a woman.	Coxswains are members of the crew. However, a women's crew may be steered by a man and a men's crew may be steered by a woman. For clarity, any crew competing in an event specified as a single-club or non-composite crew event, including but not limited to Open Club, Under 21 or Masters Champion Club events, must be steered by a coxswain of the same club as the rest of the members of the crew.	Clarifying that non-composite crews includes the coxswain
27.6	Notwithstanding the provisions of RULE 18.5, a coxswain may steer for any number of Clubs or Associations at a regatta, with the exception of Interstate Regatta events.	(Deleted)	Coxswains changed to be equal with other rowers - can cox multiple crews at a regatta, but can only represent one club at the one regatta.
By-Law to Rule 39, 1.8	All boats used in eights events at RA Events shall be in a minimum of two sections, with no section longer than 11.9 metres. With effect from 1 January 2017, all boats used in RA events shall not be longer than 12.3 m without a section. If boat is in sections, no section shall be longer than 12.2 m	All boats used in eights events at RA Events shall be a minimum of two sections, with no section longer than 11.9 m.	As it is 2017, changes to match FISA rules
By-Law to Rule 54, 4	As a general rule, no entries shall be accepted in a RA Event after the closing date regardless of the circumstances. However, discretion may be shown by the Technical Delegate for late entries to be accepted with the Withdrawal Without Penalty period if it can be shown that a genuine attempt was made to correctly make entries by the due date.	As a general rule, no entries shall be accepted in a RA Event after the closing date. However, discretion may be shown by the Technical Delegate for a late entry to be accepted within the Withdrawal Without Penalty period with each request to be considered on an individual basis. Any late entry accepted may have a penalty fee charged on top of the standard seat fee. No entries shall be accepted in a RA Event after the close of the Withdrawal Without Penalty period regardless of the circumstances.	Change to allow more discretion for late entries within the Withdrawal Without Penalty period
68.2	If an event has a Final only these Rules do not require a preliminary race to determine the lanes for the final and, therefore, the draw for lanes may also take place at the main draw. If a preliminary race is run, preference for lanes will be given to those crews/scullers who compete. Crews/scullers that do not compete in this preliminary race for this event will be allocated remaining lanes.	If an event has a Final only these Rules do not require a preliminary race to determine the lanes for the final and, therefore, the draw for lanes may also take place at the main draw. The Organising Committee may choose to run a compulsory or non-compulsory preliminary race. If a non-compulsory preliminary race is run, preference for lanes will be given to those crews/scullers who compete. Crews/scullers that do not compete in this preliminary race for this event will be allocated remaining lanes.	Allowing the OC to run a compulsory race for lanes or preliminary race.
Appendix 3 - RA 8-Lane Progression System	Case: 1 1 to 8 entries Format: Either no heat or single optional 'race for lanes' heat as determined by the Organising Committee, no repechage, no semi-finals, one final. Heat: If a heat is run all crews shall progress to the final	Case: 1 1 to 8 entries Format: Either no heat or single optional or compulsory 'race for lanes' heat as determined by the Organising Committee, no repechage, no semi-finals, one final. Heat: If a heat is run all crews shall progress to the final	Allowing the OC to run a compulsory race for lanes or preliminary race.
Appendix 6 - Para-Rowing Competition Regulations	Regulation 5 - Rowing Australia Para-Rowing Boat Classes RA recognises the following Para-Rowing classes: LTAW1x (including Interstate Regatta) LTAM1x (including Interstate Regatta) LTAMix2 LTAMix4+ TAW1x TAM1x TAMix2x ASW1x ASM1x	Regulation 5 - Rowing Australia Para-Rowing Boat Classes RA recognises the following Para-Rowing classes: LTAW1x (including Interstate Regatta) LTAM1x (including Interstate Regatta) LTAMix2 LTAMix4+ TAW1x TAM1x TAMix2x ASW1x ASM1x ASMix2x	Addition of ASMix2x as recognised RA event

Appendix 8 - Para-Rowing Competition Regulations	<p>3. Para-Rowing TAMix2x and TA1x</p> <p>3.1. Boats used in the TAMix2x and TA1x events have a fixed seat and may have stabilising pontoons. The hull, the pontoons where fitted, and the seat fixing are part of the Standard specifications. The seat itself and the rigger design of the Standard Para-Rowing TAMix2x and TA1x are not restricted.</p> <p>3.2. At RA events, the minimum width of the TA1x boat, measured across the deck at the level of the seat tracks, is 370mm.</p> <p>3.3. TAMix2x and TA1x rowers are required to comply with the strapping requirements set out in point 5 of these Regulations.</p>	<p>c) Para-Rowing TAMix2x and TA1x</p> <p>c.1. The minimum boat for TA1x events shall be subject to the same restrictions as those for the 1x events under the RA Rules of Racing and related By-Laws (RULE 31). Athletes may use wider and heavier boats if required.</p> <p>c.2. TAMix2x boats must be designed and built to FISA specifications by a FISA approved Para-Rowing Boat Manufacturer. The hull, the pontoons where fitted, and the seat fixing are part of the standard specifications.</p> <p>c.3. Boats used in the TAMix2x and TA1x events have a fixed seat and may have stabilising pontoons. The seat itself is not restricted, except that the design of the seat must be compatible with the strapping regulations.</p> <p>c.4. TAMix2x and TA1x rowers are required to comply with the strapping requirements set out in points (e and f) of these Regulations.</p>	Changes to allow use of a standard 1x boat in TA1x events (as long as it meets all other requirements)
Appendix 8 - Para-Rowing Competition Regulations	<p>4. Para-Rowing AS1x</p> <p>4.1. The RA Standard Para-Rowing AS1x has a fixed seat and must have stabilising pontoons installed, attached to the riggers at a minimum distance of 60cm from centre line of pontoon to centre line of boat. The pontoons should be fixed in position so that when the rower is seated in the balanced boat both pontoons shall be horizontal and shall, at a minimum, touch the water. The hull, the pontoons and the seat fixing are part of the Standard specifications.</p> <p>4.2. At RA events, the minimum width of the boat, measured across the deck at the level of the seat tracks, is 370mm.</p> <p>4.3. The seat itself and the rigger design of the Standard Para-Rowing AS1x are not restricted, except that the design of the seat must be compatible with the Standard seat fixing and the design of the rigger must allow the stabilising pontoons to be correctly fixed.</p> <p>4.4. AS1x rowers are required to comply with the strapping requirements set out in point 5 of these Regulations.</p>	<p>d) Para-Rowing ASMix2x and AS1x</p> <p>d.1. The minimum boat for ASMix2x events shall be subject to the same restrictions as those for the 2x events under the RA Rules of Racing and related By-Laws (RULE 31). Athletes may use wider and heavier boats if required.</p> <p>d.2. Boats used in the ASMix2x and AS1x events have a fixed seat and must have stabilising pontoons. The pontoons should be fixed in position so that when the rower is seated in the balanced boat both pontoons shall be horizontal when viewed from the side of the boat and shall, at a minimum, touch the water at the same time.</p> <p>d.3. The seat itself for the ASMix2x is not restricted, except that the design of the seat must be compatible with the strapping regulations.</p> <p>d.4. The AS1x must be designed and built to FISA specifications by a FISA approved Para-Rowing Boat Manufacturer.</p> <p>d.5. AS1x boats have a fixed seat and must have stabilising pontoons installed, attached to the riggers at a minimum distance of 60cm from centre line of pontoon to centre line of boat.</p> <p>d.6. The seat itself and the rigger design of the Standard Para-Rowing AS1x are not restricted, except that the design of the seat must be compatible with the standard seat fixing and strapping regulations, and the design of the rigger must allow the stabilising pontoons to be correctly fixed.</p> <p>d.7. ASMix2x and AS1x rowers are required to comply with the strapping requirements set out in points (e and f) of these Regulations. .</p>	Addition of specification of boats for ASMix2x, being a new recognised event