

A new Status Structure for Rowing Competition

Objectives

1. To provide a competitive environment that will promote adult competition within the sport.
2. To provide fair and competitive racing at all levels
3. To improve the opportunities for competition for those unable to train intensively for competition
4. To improve the retention rate within clubs above Senior 3 level.

Proposals

1. Introduce a structure where crews remain in their status for a season
2. Prohibit crews above or below a particular status from certain events
3. All events will be qualifying
4. No distinction between sculling and rowing in status.

Status Proposals

General Principles

1. People remain in a particular status for a season. Re-registration in a higher status during the season, except Novice to Club, requires approval from Div Rep.
2. Club and Novice rowers may not race at Intermediate or senior level but they may race open.
3. Regression is permitted after one year.
 - Open and Seniors may regress in stages to Intermediate and Intermediates to Club level.
 - Former seniors and open athlete's must wait three years at Intermediate before regressing to club level.
4. Head races are included unless there are fewer than three starters in the status.

STATUS	RESTRICTIONS	EQUIVALENT
<p>NOVICE People who have never won an open event</p>	<p>Must not have won a Novice event or an equivalent qualifying Junior event.</p> <p>No limit to number of wins in any one calendar year.</p> <p>May not be a Novice in following year if successful at any Novice event. Novices may not continue to race as a Novice after winning any event at a higher status.</p>	<p>NOVICE / SENIOR 4</p>
<p>CLUB Those who for whatever reason are not Novices and who don't wish to race at a higher status</p>	<p>No limit to number of wins in first year as a Club rower.</p> <p>In any year when the number of wins at club status won in a year is greater than five then may not race at Club level in following years.</p>	<p>SENIOR 4 / 3 / 2</p>
<p>INTERMEDIATE Those who for whatever reason are not Novices or Club rowers and who don't wish to race at a higher status</p>	<p>Club crews may race in this class but will become Intermediate immediately if they win in this class.</p> <p>No limit to number of wins in first year as an Intermediate rower.</p> <p>When total number of Intermediate wins is greater than five then may not race at Intermediate level in following years.</p> <p><i>Crews may include Senior rowers but must include a club rower for every senior in the crew. A win counts for the senior as a senior win but for the club rower as a club win. No more than ½ a crew may be either club or senior</i></p>	<p>SENIOR 2 / 1</p>
<p>SENIOR Those who for whatever reason are not Novice, Club or Intermediate rowers and who wish to race at a higher status</p>	<p>Intermediate crews may race in this class but will become Senior immediately if they win a senior event..</p> <p>Must Race Open when the number of Senior wins in a season is greater than five..</p> <p>Must include one intermediate rower for every open included in the crew. A win counts for the intermediate as an intermediate win but for the open rower as an open win. No more than ½ a crew may be either club or senior</p>	<p>SENIOR 1</p>
<p>OPEN Open to all</p>	<p>Must race open [or senior as outlined above] for the remainder of the year after an Open win. Members of U23 and GB squads must race at Open. Also CUBC, OUBC, Goldie & ISIS.</p>	<p>OPEN</p>