



## APPENDIX

### Proposed Amendments to the Rules of Racing with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2007

Deletions are shown struck through and additions in bold

#### 1-2 DEFINITIONS

##### t. Private Match:

A competition arranged solely between the clubs or competitors concerned. There shall be no advertising and no more than four clubs shall ~~be invited to~~ compete unless specific permission has been granted by the National Competition Committee. Organising club(s) should note that the competition requirements of the ARA WSC will apply and appropriate insurance cover is required.

#### 2-1-6 Qualifications

It is recommended that the Starter and Race Umpire at a multi-lane competition (**racing in four or more lanes**) should hold a multi-lane endorsed licence or be a trainee adopted by the Multi-Lane Commission and under the direct supervision of a multi-lane endorsed umpire.

#### 2-3-3 Racing Licence

All competitors shall carry their Racing Licence with them to a Regatta. ~~If the Entry Form lists a competitor requiring a day ticket, that ticket shall count as sufficient documentation.~~

Any competitor who cannot produce ~~these documents~~ **this document** when requested by a Regatta Official may be disqualified, but can be replaced by a suitably qualified substitute (*see 2-3-4b*).

If a competitor without documentation is allowed to race, he must agree to produce it within a mutually agreed time to a member of the Organising Committee.

**These provisions will not apply to an overseas club.**

#### 2-3-6 Lightweight Competitors

a. A regatta must declare, with the draw, the regime for weighing-in with regard to the events a competitor may be competing in.

*Competitors shall be weighed-in each day not less than one hour and not more than two hours before the scheduled start time of the first race that day of the event in which they are entered. **Competitors need not weigh in on a day on which they are not racing** (see 3-3-1d). The Chairman of the Race Committee must decide if a competitor entered for more than one event must weigh-in for each event or only once. Regard should be taken of any potentially unfair conditions resulting from the regatta schedule.*

*Competitors should wear racing strip when they weigh-in (coxswains: see 2-3-7a).*



## 2-3-9 Updating Winners' Racing Licences

- d. The competitor must ensure that his Racing Licence is up to date. He must also reconcile his record with the ARA computer based record of points at the end of each season.

*The ARA shall take steps to ensure that the master record of points and master record of registrations ~~and day tickets~~ shall be kept up to date with regatta returns and reconciled annually with each competitor.*

## 2-4-5 Mechanical Starting Systems

Delete entire text and replace with :

### 2-4-5 Traffic Light Starting Systems

**Where the start signal is given by traffic lights, the process is as above in 2-4-4 up to and including 2-4-4f.**

**After saying "Attention", the starter shall pause and then switch on the red lights. After a further distinct and variable pause, the starter shall press the button which will simultaneously switch off the red lights, switch on the green lights and make the audible signal for the start.**

**If, after the red lights have been switched on, the starter decides that the start should not proceed, he shall say "As you were" and then switch off the red lights. When he is ready to proceed, he shall begin again from the word "Attention".**

**In the event of a failure of the traffic light system, the starter shall use the flag start system (as described in 2-4-4 above) having first told the crews that he is going to do so.**

## 3-3-1 Lightweights

- d. The weight of lightweight competitors shall be determined each day not less than one hour and not more than two hours before the scheduled time of the first race that day of the event in which the competitor is entered (*see 2-3-6a*). All members of a crew must report for weighing at the same time. This rule shall not apply to coxes (*see rule 2-3-7b*).

*It is recommended that, for identification purposes, competitors carry their ARA racing licence or photographic identification when presenting themselves for weighing.*

*Competitors need not weigh in on a day on which they are not racing (see 2-3-6a).*

## 3-3-3 Juniors

~~e. No sweep-oared racing may be offered at J14 or under, or at WJ15 or under.~~

- e. Juniors in J14, WJ14 or younger age groups are not permitted to race in sweep-oared events.**

~~f. Juniors of each age band are termed Junior A once they win a qualifying junior event, other than Junior Maiden, for the rest of their time in that age band.~~

- f. Juniors of each age band winning a qualifying event, other than Junior Maiden, are Junior A for the rest of their time in the age band of competition at which the qualifying**

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win was achieved. This does not preclude them from competing at Junior B level in a higher age band.

g. A qualifying win at J18B, J16A & B, WJ18B or WJ16A & B level shall count as a novice win.

i. Subject to rule 3-3-3e, Juniors in J14, WJ14 or younger age groups are not permitted to race in events that are more than one age group category above their own age category nor in Senior events.

## 3-3-5 Veterans

~~a. All competitors who were 30 years old at the beginning of the current year are veterans.~~  
a. All competitors who have attained, or will attain, the age of 31 years old by the end of the calendar year are veterans.

## 4-1-6 Junior Class

d. A qualifying win at J18B, J16A & B, WJ18B or WJ16A & B level shall count as a novice win.

## 4-1-7 Veteran Class

a. Veteran events may be held in the following classes, by age. The age restriction is the lower limit for the average age of the crew (excluding coxswain), ~~measured in whole years attained during the current year~~ each crew member's age being measured in whole years attained during the current calendar year.

Veteran events will not attract senior status points, however a qualifying win will count as a novice win.

*The ARA insurance policy covers oarsmen aged ~~70~~ 75 and over against third party liability. They are not covered for personal accident.*

## 5-1-1 General Requirements

d. The regatta shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that all competitors representing clubs affiliated to the ARA, SARA or WARA are, themselves, registered members of the ARA, SARA or WARA respectively and are in possession of a current Racing Licence ~~or a day competition ticket where appropriate (see 2-3-3 and 2-3-9). The regatta shall charge the appropriate fee for day competition tickets and shall return the stubs of such tickets to the ARA together with such sum for each day ticket sold as the ARA shall determine annually. Overseas competitors shall not be charged.~~

~~For events rowed in playboats, or events held for J13 or lower age groups, registration and day tickets are not required, but event organisers should check their insurance position.~~

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5-2-4 Returns to the ARA after the Regatta

a. The Regatta shall make the following returns to the ARA, to arrive within five days of the Regatta, in order to record competitors' points:

- a list of those events at the regatta which were qualifying.  
*A 'highlighted' list of events offered would meet that requirement.*
- the originals of the Entry Forms of the Winning Crews of qualifying events, certified by the appropriate official to indicate that registration details had been checked, the competitors were as entered and that Racing Licences had been updated where appropriate. Names should be highlighted where Racing Licences have not been produced.

~~— The stubs of any day tickets issued together with the ARA's portion of the fees.~~