



19th EDBF European Club Crew Championships

Ravenna 2023

7th – 10th September 2023

Standiana Regatta Course, Via Standiana 38, 48125 Savio di Ravenna, Ravenna, Italy

INFORMATION BULLETIN N.2

**The information in Bulletin N.2 is complementary to Bulletin N.1 and its Amendments.
The two Bulletins together serve as complete guidance.**

The European Dragon Boat Federation (EDBF) in conjunction with the Italian Dragon Boat Federation (FIDB) and the Ravenna Organizing Committee (Ravenna Dragon Boat Events) cordially invite Club Crews from around Europe to participate in the 19th EDBF European Club Crew Championships which will be held at Bacino della Standiana, Via Standiana 38, Savio di Ravenna, Ravenna, Italy.

This information in Bulletin N.2 provides further details on the 19th EDBF European Club Crew Dragon Boat Racing Championships and reminds participating Club Crews about the important timelines that must be adhered to.

The **7th of June 2023** is the deadline for **Confirmed Entries** to be made on the IDBF online registration interface http://idbfchamps.org/login_edbf.php. Please, note that no late fee surcharge of €100 will be applied to those Clubs registering first time from now to the 7 of June 2023, nevertheless €300 Admin Deposit is due. In addition, we ask you to upload the details of the participants/athletes & photographs to the IDBF system as soon as possible, with a final deadline of the **1st of August 2023 (Named Entries)**.

DATE

The competition will be held from Thursday, September 7th to Sunday, September 10th.

Competing Crews are advised to arrive at Standiana Regatta Course no later than **Wednesday, September 6th**.

Team arrival and training will be held Tuesday, September 5th, and Wednesday, September 6th. Specifics for Crew Training and Booking Section will be in Bulletin N.3

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We remind you that Entry to the EDBF 19th European Club Crew Championships (ECCC) is restricted to **five (5)** standard boats and **three (3)** small boats per competition class for EDBF Member. All entries must be endorsed by their respective National Federations.

Teams from countries where there is not an EDBF Member may compete subject to the agreement of the EDBF Executive Committee.

A Club can enter Standard or Small Boat Crews or both in all Racing Classes, but for a Club to enter both a Standard and Small Boat crew in the same Divisional Racing Class or competition, the paddlers in the Small Boat Crew must be different paddlers from those used in the Standard Boat crew – including reserves, with the exception of Mixed Crews, Juniors and U24 Open.



PROVISIONAL AND CONFIRMED ENTRIES

Provisional entries have been received from Austria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Serbia, Slovak Republic, Switzerland, and Ukraine.

The deadline to withdraw without penalties has been postponed from the 7th of April to the 7th of May.

Clubs are reminded to enter their Confirmed Entries onto the EDBF Registration system by 7th June 2023.

COMPETITION REGULATION AND RULES OF RACING

For the 2023 Club Crew European Championships, racing will be conducted under IDBF *Competition Regulation* Edition 8 (released 01 January 2020), IDBF *Rules of Racing* Edition 8.1 (released 24 January 2020), and EDBF *Amendments to the IDBF R&R* (released 23 January 2023). These rules will be supplemented for the Paradrakon category by IDBF *Rules for Paradrakon Racing* Edition 1.1 (released 28 June 2021). Copies can be downloaded from <http://www.dragonboat.sport/docs> and <https://edbf.org/library>

The Championships will use the IDBF Race Plans to determine the racing program.

The racing will be conducted by appointed IDBF International Race Officials assisted by National Officials and volunteers, under the direction of an IDBF Chief Official with a Championship Jury nominated by the EDBF Executive Committee.

BCP DIVISION

The BCP Division will be held over the distances of 2000m, 500m and 200m, in a single set of races, inclusive of all paddlers affected by Breast Cancer under the requirements of the IBCPC. In the case of one or more BCP males in a crew, in both standard and small boats, a different race ranking for Open and Women will be applied in respect of price giving.

CREW REQUIREMENTS

The practice of the Club's recruiting paddlers specifically for an ECCC is against the intention of the IDBF Competition Regulations and the spirit of the Championships. Any Club found not to be complying with the IDBF Competition Regulation 4.3 and 4.3.1 shown below, will be not allowed to progress to a Final and will be drawn in the outside spare lane in all other rounds of each competition entered.

All Crew Managers when signing a Crew List will be deemed to have confirmed that all their crew members comply with the competition regulations shown below and are bona fide members of the Club they are representing at the 19th EDBF Club Crews Championships. However, please note that these regulations **do not apply** to the Paradrakon race category. Please, refer to the Paradrakon section for more information.

CR 4.3 Club Crews: In IDBF Championships for Club Crews a Racer can only represent one Dragon Boat Crew. See **Bye Law 12.3** for the definition of a Dragon Boat Club Crew. All competitors must have been bona fide members of the Dragon Boat Crew that they represent, for at least SIX (6) months before the Club Crew Championships in question.

CR 4.3.1 A bona fide Club Member is one that has regularly trained and/or competed for the Club Crew that they represent during the minimum period of six months shown in 4.3. A bona fide Club Member will normally be a resident of the Country in which the Club Crew is located. A Club Member who trains and competes with a Club Crew from a different Country or Territory or a geographical Region within a Country to the one in which the Club Member himself (or herself) is normally domiciled, will only be considered as a bona fide Club Member if they can prove that they have physically attended their Club to train or compete for a period of at least twelve (12) weeks, over a minimum period of two (2) racing seasons.



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| MIXED BOAT REQUIREMENT |
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Standard Boat Crews – The crew must consist of a minimum of 8 and a maximum of 10 paddlers of either gender. Drummers and helms can be either gender, as per current IDBF Rules.

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| 10 male paddlers / 10 female paddlers | + drummer and helm of either gender |
| 10 male paddlers / 9 female paddlers | + drummer and helm of either gender |
| 9 male paddlers / 10 female paddlers | + drummer and helm of either gender |
| 10 male paddlers / 8 female paddlers | + drummer and helm of either gender |
| 8 male paddlers / 10 female paddlers | + drummer and helm of either gender |
| 9 male paddlers / 9 female paddlers | + drummer and helm of either gender |

Small Boat Crews - The crew must consist of a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 6 paddlers of either gender as for EDBF *Amendments to the IDBF R&R* (released 23 January 2023). Drummers and helms can be either gender.

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| 6 male paddlers / 4 female paddlers | + drummer and helm of either gender |
| 4 male paddlers / 6 female paddlers | + drummer and helm of either gender |
| 5 male paddlers / 5 female paddlers | + drummer and helm of either gender |
| 5 male paddlers / 4 female paddlers | + drummer and helm of either gender |
| 4 male paddlers / 5 female paddlers | + drummer and helm of either gender |
| 4 male paddlers / 4 female paddlers | + drummer and helm of either gender |

CR 2.2.1 Mixed Crews – When there are sufficient numbers of men and women crew competitors entered in either or both small or standard boat open and women classes, then the mixed entry must be made in the standard boat.

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| Standard Open + Standard Women’s Entry | Must enter Standard Mixed |
| Small Open + Small Women’s Entry | Must enter Standard Mixed |
| Standard Open + Small Women’s Entry | Must enter Standard Mixed |
| Small Open + Standard Women’s Entry | Must enter Standard Mixed |

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| PARADRAGON RACING -Further Info |
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Should any EDBF Member have an interest in entering a Paradrakon team but is uncertain about the application of the Paradrakon race rules, or the event itself, the Chair of the Para Athletes Commission (Nigel Bedford) is available for direct queries by email to chair-para@dragonboat.sport.

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| BCP RACING |
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Should any European BCP Crew have an interest in entering a team but is uncertain about the event itself, the EDBF and the IBCPC are available for direct queries by email. No restrictions apply about the number of entries per Nation.



HEALTH and SAFETY

ALL CREWS. Personal Safety - All crew members must be water confident and ideally be able to swim at least 50m. It is the Crew Manager's responsibility to ensure that this limitation is complied with and to ensure that known weak swimmers wear personal flotation aids. Crews compete entirely at their own risk and must be 'Fit to Race', as defined in the IDBF Competition Regulations.

BCP. The policy of the IBCPC is that all BCP are required to have a medical certificate to prove a BC diagnosis and a doctor's confirmation letter of fitness to paddle. For info on this process please refer to the IBCPC. For EDBF Championships the EDBF accepts that BCP crews who are IBCPC Members comply with the requirements of the IBCPC regarding having been diagnosed with Breast Cancer and therefore when signing a Crew List the Crew Manager is confirming the status of the crew members.

When signing the crew list, a BCP Crew Manager is also confirming as above (Personal Safety) that the BCP crew members are all 'Fit to Race'. For BCP Crews this means that all the crew members have a medical doctor's letter stating that they are fit to race in their respective EDBF competition classes.

All BCP Crew Managers are personally responsible for holding all such documentation from their crew members during the 19th EDBF Club Crews Championships and will be required, if requested, to show one or more of them to the EDBF Race Officials, especially in the event of a medical incident or competitive accident, such as a boat capsized during the Championships.

PARA DRAGONS. As part of the process for accrediting Paradrakon paddlers, a Certificate of Diagnosis for each paddler will be required (copy can be found in Annex D to the Paradrakon Rules of Racing Edition 1.2 - Effective 1 January 2023). A completed certificate needs to be submitted for each impaired paddler to chair-para@dragonboat.sport by email by 1st August 2023 at the latest. Note that Certificates of Diagnosis are not required for any unimpaired paddler who is part of a PD2 team. As for BCP crews, when signing a Crew List, a Para Dragons crew manager is confirming a crew's compliance with the Paradrakon Rules of Racing as above.

ECCC ANTI-DOPING INFORMATION

IDBF is a signatory to The World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA). IDBF is committed to ensuring that its athletes comply with WADA requirements. The EDBF follows the IDBF Anti-Doping Policy, where it is relevant to EDBF Championships.

Anti-Doping Requirements for the 19th European Club Crew Championship

The 2023 EDBF Anti-Doping Education & Testing Policy will be summarized as it relates to the 19th EDBF Club Crews Championships, and published in Info Bulletin No.3

BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

The Championship Organizers will provide both Standard and Small IDBF-licensed boats.

There will be 12 BUK Standard Boats and 12 BUK Small Boats plus spares

Competing crews will be expected to bring their own paddles that conform to the IDBF Paddle Specification 202a.

REGATTA COURSE

All races will take place at the regatta course on the Standiana Racing Course (Ravenna). The Regatta Course and Technical facilities will be according to EDBF standards for a European Club Crew Championships. The racing course will consist of 6 race lanes, 12.5m. wide and 4m deep. The 200m and 500m races will be run in a straight line. The 2000m races will be a pursuit-type race around a 500m. circuit.



VISAS

All Teams and Crews are reminded that Italy is a part of the Schengen Area which means they share a visa policy and a common, external border with the other participating countries. Citizens who are not from visa-exempt countries need to obtain a Schengen Visa, which allows stays of up to 90 days for tourism and business purposes. Applications can be made at Italian Embassies and Consulates.

ACCOMMODATIONS, TRANSFERS and MEAL SERVICES

To make the organization of the Championships easier, it is highly recommended that all accommodation bookings are arranged through the Organizing Committee (RDBE).

The Organizing Committee is working and negotiating the best rates and conditions to host our athletes at official hotel partners to provide different types of accommodation locations that will be available within 1km up to 15km from the race site, depending on budget and preferences.

Those accommodations are also linked to the transfer and meals services we will offer to the Teams.

Prices and Booking Form <https://www.emiliaromagnawelcome.com/en/hotel-offers/dragon-boat-ravenna>

ENTRY REGISTRATION FEE

All Entry Fees ought to be settled by 1st August 2023 within the Named Entries deadline. Clubs will deduct the Admin Deposit and Race Fees already paid from what is due.

Championships Entry Fee + EDBF Registration Fee per person.

| | Championship Fee | | EDBF Fee |
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| Competitors, Coaches, Crew Officials, Managers, Administrators, Medics: | € 65 | + | € 20 |
| Junior Competitors: | € 30 | + | € 5 |
| Supporters: | € 15 | + | € 5 |

PAYMENTS

Championships Entry Fees are to be paid to the 19th ECCC Organizing Committee.

Account Name: RAVENNA DRAGON BOAT EVENTS S.S.D A.R.L

Bank: Banca Reale

IBAN: IT111031380100000013432901

SWIFT/BIC: BRTOITTT

Ref: Club Name and Country -e.g. Albadrago Italy

Please, send a copy of the payment to amministrazione@ravennadragonboat.com with detailed info such as Club Crew Name, Nationality, and the number of participants, divided among the three types shown in the table above, for whom the payment has been done.



EDBF Registration Fees are to be paid to the EDBF

Account Name: EUROPEAN DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION

Bank: Unicredit Roma Pasteur

IBAN: IT41 E020 0805 1340 0010 5517 447

SWIFT/BIC: UNCRITM1731

Ref: Club Name and Country - e.g. Albadrago Italy

Please, send a copy of the payment to Mrs. Maura Dezi treasurer@edbf.org with detailed info such as Club Crew Name, Nationality, and the number of participants, divided among the three types shown in the table above, for whom the payment has been done.

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| CONTACTS & SOCIAL MEDIA |
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Website: www.edbf.org
www.dragonboat.it
www.emiliaromagnawelcome.com/en/hotel-offers/dragon-boat-ravenna

Social FB Page: European Dragon Boat Federation
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