



SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOLS ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023

REGATTA NOTICE & INFORMATION

SASRU invites all member schools to the 2023 SA Schools Rowing Championships.

1. Venue & Dates

The 2023 South African Schools Rowing Championships will be held from 3 March to 5 March 2023 at Roodeplaat Dam, Pretoria, Gauteng.

2. Entries

- 2.1. All entries must be made using the website www.regatta.co.za.
- 2.2. The regatta is open only to participants from schools affiliated to SASRU.
- 2.3. Junior rowing clubs who wish to enter the championship may only enter crews whose members all attend the same school. Composite club crews are not permitted to enter.
- 2.4. Rowers enrolled at a rowing school may not compete for any other school. **Rowers enrolled at a non-rowing school may not compete for a rowing school.**
- 2.5. When capturing entries onto the Regatta Website, entries must be made in crew ranking order by event. If any event has more than 8 heats restrictions will be made to schools with the most entries.
- 2.5. No boy may be entered into or participate in a girls' event or girl in a boys' event. This rule includes coxswains. Composite crews are not permitted.
- 2.6. The following events are **incompatible** in the Racing Programme:
Boys: Eights & Doubles; Octuples & Doubles; Fours & Quads; Pairs & Single Sculls
Girls: Fours & Doubles; Octuples & Doubles; Pairs & Single Sculls
Schools may not enter the same crew in separate incompatible events.
- 2.7. Schools may only enter 4 single scullers in each age group, except for the Open age group where a maximum of 5 entries is permitted. There is no other restriction on the number of a school's entries per event. There is also no restriction on the number of events an individual rower may enter. The SASRU Executive reserves the right to reduce the number of a school's entries in all events if in its opinion this is warranted. Coaches should therefore enter scullers and crews in order of competence.
- 2.8. **Schools may only enter Boys 2nd 8+ and Girls 2nd 4x+ events if they have a crew entered in the 1st Event.**
- 2.9. Entries **CLOSE** on Tuesday, **21 February, 2023 at 16:00.**
- 2.10. The preliminary draw will be published on **23 February** and remain open for name

changes and scratchings and late entries until **16:00 on 27 February**, except for crews mentioned in 2.11 below. Late entries are not permitted in single sculls even if there are open lanes.

- 2.11. **No crew changes or scratches in Open and U16 events may be made after the publication of the first (preliminary) draw (except for medical reasons), If a rower withdraws from an event, even with a medical certificate he/she will forfeit all seats in the regatta.**
- 2.12. Late Entries made after the date for entries will only be allocated to an event where open lanes still exist. No new heats will be created as this would mean reseeding the draw. Entries will only be entered into open lanes on a first come, first served basis. Once all the lanes are full extra entries will be excluded.
- 2.13. The final regatta programme will be published on **28 February** after which time no changes will be made.
- 2.14. Any event attracting less than three entries from 3 different schools/clubs will be cancelled.
- 2.15. There will be no B Finals for any age group.
- 2.16. Entries will only be accepted from schools which are up to date with payments to SASRU.
- 2.17. Any problems experienced with your entries please contact Gaynor at row@rowsa.co.za
- 2.18. The entering of your school or members serves as an acceptance of Indemnity in this regatta, namely that you declare that you accept your own risk and indemnify the Regatta Organisers, Sponsors and Officials of this rowing regatta against any claim of whatsoever nature and howsoever arising, which may result from your schools, clubs and/or your rowers' participation.

3. Spectator Entry Tickets:

- 3.1. SASRU will be selling DAY attendance. Ticket prices are as follows:
Friday, 3 March - R60.00
Saturday, 4 March - R80.00
Sunday, 5 March - R100.00
- 3.2. Tickets will be available online in due course.
- 3.3. Only coaches and officials in possession of an ID card will be allowed free entry into the event.

4. SASRU AGM:

All schools' heads, heads of rowing and coaches and officials are invited to attend the SASRU AGM held as per the published AGM notice.

5. Schools Tasks:

- 5.1. All schools are expected to assist with various jobs to be done both before and at the Regatta. A Schedule of responsibilities will be published a week before the regatta.
- 5.2. All details of tasks may be discussed with Michelle Kleer: kleerm@stbenedicts.co.za

5.3. All schools arrange their own transport to and from the regatta.

6. Seating and Trailer Parking:

Arrangements for parking and seating for both participants and spectators will follow.

7. Rules of Racing:

- 7.1. The Row SA Rules of Racing apply except where there is a specific or local SASRU rule.
- 7.2. Digital ID cards: Each club must ensure that the data and a photograph of each athlete is correctly filed with the correct age on the www.regatta.co.za database. This data will be checked online by regatta control during the weekend.
- 7.3. All boats must have a number holder on the bow of the boat to take a lane number. Schools must provide their own lane numbers and these must meet the requirements of the RowSA Rules of Racing;
- 7.4. Boat Weighing: Boat weighing will take place. The scales will be available for pre-weighing.
- 7.5. Ballast: Crews should note that they are responsible for the ballast for their boats and coxswains. The latter is only applicable for J19 coxswains.
- 7.6. Crew changes: Remember no more than 50% of the crew may change. No changes/substitutions will be allowed in the single sculls events.
- 7.7. The Traffic Patterns, Local Rules, Proposed Sequence of Events, Points and Progression Rules and List of Events applicable to the Championships are as published on www.sasru.co.za as at 31 January each year.
- 7.8. Should there be a conflict between the Rules, Points, or Progressions published on the website and this notice, those published on the website will prevail.
- 7.9. Any alteration to entries and/or scratching of crews must be reported to the Control Commission at least 1 hour prior to the published start time of the race.
- 7.10. Officials will only enter discussions with coaches wearing ID Cards.

8. Crew entry fees:

- 8.1. Eights and Octuples: R200 per crew
- 8.2. Fours and Quads: R100 per crew
- 8.3. Pairs and Doubles: R80 per crew
- 8.4. Single sculls: R60 per sculler
- 8.5. Entry fees are payable on presentation of invoice, at the regatta.

9 Medals

- 9.1. Gold, silver and bronze medals are presented to the first, second and third placed A-finalists among South African school crews.
- 9.2. Additional medals are awarded to non-South African school crews obtaining first, second or third places.

9.3. Non championship medals are awarded to the best Boys' "Second Eight" and the best Girls' "Second Quad" at the regatta. A school's "first crew" must have participated in the regatta to enter this event. The same crew may not enter both 1st Eight/Quad and Second Eight/Quad events.

10. International Rowers

All International Schools requiring an invitation letter to the event are to contact: Michelle Kleer, kleerm@stbenedicts.co.za

11. Boat Racks

Schools are advised to bring their own boat trestles for rigging and boat storage.

12. Food and Beverages

Food and refreshments will be available throughout the day.

13. VIP Lunch

Heads of Schools will be permitted free access. Invitations to the VIP lunch will be mailed directly to the schools.

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