

**SCHOOL RULES APPLICABLE TO THE
SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA**

GENERAL

The Regatta is called the SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOLS' ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The Championships take the form of an elimination regatta in which crews compete against each other in specific events in heats, semi-finals (where necessary) and A Finals; gold, silver and bronze medals being awarded to first, second and third places respectively in A Finals.

The venue of the regatta shall be as determined by the SASRU Executive.

The regatta shall take place over three days over the first or second Saturday in March as set out below:

- FRIDAY: Group 1 Events (Single Sculls & Pairs events) - Heads/Heats, Semi-finals & Finals
- SATURDAY: Group 2 Events -Heads/Heats, Semi-finals & Finals
- SUNDAY: Group 3 Events - Heads/Heats, Semi-finals & Finals

Schools should take note that unfavourable weather conditions could result in racing continuing until 18:30 on Sunday. Participants flying home should take this into account.

1. RULES

The SASRU Rules of Racing and the RowSA Rules of Racing shall apply.

In addition the rules specific to the South African Schools' Championships ("the regatta") as set out hereunder shall apply.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- Any person competing in the regatta must be a bona fide scholar at a member or associate school or club;
- Any person competing in the regatta in the Open Division must be a bona fide Grade 12 scholar born in the year 2001 or thereafter or alternatively any other registered rower born in the year 2002 or thereafter;
- Any person competing in the regatta in the U16 Division must have been born in 2004 or thereafter;
- Any person competing in the regatta in the U15 Division must have been born in 2005 or thereafter;
- Any person competing in the regatta in the U14 Division must have been born in 2006 or thereafter.

3. EVENTS OFFERED

The following championship events are offered:

BOYS Junior Men

Open	8+/2nd 8+	4+/4-	2-		4x+	2x	1x	2000m
U16	8+	4+/4-	2-		4x+	2x	1x	2000m
U15				8x+	4x+	2x	1x	1000m
U14				8x+	4x+	2x	1x	1000m

GIRLS Junior Women

Open		4+	2-		4x+/2nd 4x+	2x	1x	2000m
U16		4+	2-		4x+/2nd 4x+	2x	1x	2000m
U15				8x+	4x+	2x	1x	1000m
U14				8x+	4x+	2x	1x	1000m

The order of events will be as set out in the Racing Programme.

4. REGATTA ENTRIES

Regatta entries must be made via the website www.regatta.co.za unless an alternative entry system is prescribed by the SASRU Executive.

No boy may enter or participate in a girls' event or girl in a boys' event. This rule includes coxswains.

Composite crews are not permitted in any school rowing club boats.

If a rower attends a school where rowing is not offered as a sport, they are entitled to row under Club colours with a composite crew (i.e. rowers who may be enrolled at different schools, but who are all members of the same junior rowing club) provided that they comply with the SASRU eligibility requirements (section 4 of general rules above).

The following events are incompatible in the Racing Programme:

Boys: Eights & Doubles; Octuples & Doubles; Fours & Quads; Pairs & Single Sculls;
Girls: Eights & Doubles; Fours & Doubles; Octuples & Doubles; Pairs & Single Sculls;

Quads are compatible with all events.

Schools may not enter the same crew in separate incompatible events.

Schools may only enter 4 single scullers in each age group except for the Open age group where 5 entries are permitted. There is no other restriction on the number of a school's entries for other events. There is also no restriction on the number of events an individual rower may enter. However, rowers should not enter more than one event per day and the SASRU Executive reserves the right to reduce the number of a school's entries in any particular event if in its opinion this is warranted. In practice it is likely that schools' entries in single and double sculls will be restricted. [Coaches should therefore enter scullers and crews in order of competence.] B finals will not be offered in any age group except in Open events.

Entry closing dates, the preliminary and final draws will be communicated in the Regatta Notice published before the event. Late entries are not permitted in single sculls even if there are open lanes.

Entry fees for the regatta will be published in the Regatta Notice mentioned above.

Rowers enrolled at a rowing school may not compete for any other school or club. Rowers enrolled at a non-rowing school may not compete for a rowing school, but only for a club.

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.

Even if there are open lanes in the sculls event, these would not be offered to schools/ clubs to fill.

Late entries after entries close will only be allocated on a first come first served basis, one entry per school/ club and only if open lanes still exist. No new heats will be created and no reseeding will be done. Once lanes are full extra entries will be excluded.

Late entries/scratchings/crew changes must be done in writing by MiC or Head Coach, contain a reason for the request and will attract a fee per crew, irrespective of size.

No changes may be made after publication of the final draw.

An event attracting less than three entries from 3 different schools/ clubs will be cancelled. If a Club event with less than 4 entries is allowed to run, no medals will be awarded

Entries will only be accepted from schools and clubs which are up to date with payments to SASRU.

There will be no B Finals

The entering of your school/ club 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.

5. POINTS, PRIZES AND TROPHIES

Category	Placing	Boys	Girls
1st 8+	1 - 8	35,31,28,26 -22	
2nd 8+	1 - 8	22,19,17 - 12	
U16	1 - 8	22,19,17 - 12	
U15 8x+	1 - 8	18,15, 13 - 8	18, 15, 13 - 8
U14 8x+	1 - 8	18,15, 13 - 8	18, 15, 13 - 8
1st 4x+	1 – 8	27, 24, 22, 20 - 16	30, 27, 25, 23 - 19
1st 4+ 4-	1 - 8	27, 24, 22, 20 - 16	19, 16, 14, 12 - 8
2nd 4x+	1 – 8		19, 16, 14, 12 - 8
U16 4x+	1 - 8	19, 16, 14 - 9	19, 16, 14 - 9
U16 4+ 4-	1 - 8	19, 16, 14 - 9	15, 13, 11 - 6
U15 4x+	1 - 8	15, 13, 11 - 6	15, 13, 11 - 6
U14 4x+	1 – 8	15, 13, 11 - 6	15, 13, 11 - 6
1st 2x	1 – 8	19, 16, 14, 12 - 8	19, 16, 14, 12 - 8
U16 2x	1 - 8	15, 13, 11 - 6	15, 13, 11 - 6
U15 2x	1 – 8	11, 9, 7, 6 - 2	11, 9, 7, 6 - 2
U14 2x	1 – 8	11, 9, 7, 6 - 2	11, 9, 7, 6 - 2

1st 1x	1 – 8	15, 13, 11 – 6	15, 13, 11 – 6
U16 1x	1 – 8	14, 12, 10 – 5	14, 12, 10 – 5
U15 1x	1 - 8	9, 7 – 1	9, 7 – 1
U14 1x	1 - 8	9, 7 – 1	9, 7 – 1
1st 2-	1 - 8	19, 16, 14, 12 - 8	15, 13, 11 - 6
U16 2-	1 – 8	15, 13, 11 - 6	14, 12, 10 - 5

Points are awarded for A-Finals only towards overall championship trophies, age-group trophies etc .

Points are awarded to all crews as per the table above, including non-SA crews and clubs and a second or third crew etc from the same school/ club.

Points for Junior Women and Junior Men events are scored separately. However, for the purposes of the co-educational schools' championship trophy, points are scored together.

Gold, silver and bronze medals are presented to the first, second and third placed A finalists. Medals and Trophies for U14, U15 & U16 and Open A-Final events are presented immediately after the race on the “winners’ jetty”. Medals and Trophies for Open Junior Men 1st 8+, 2nd 8+ and Junior Women 1st Quad and 2nd Quad A-Final events and Age Group and other trophies are presented at the Prize giving Ceremony, 20 minutes after the last race of the Championships.

Special Boys 2nd 8+ and Girls 2nd Quad medals have been minted for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in these events. NB A school’s “first crew” must have participated in the regatta,