

# EUROPEAN DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION



The European Dragon Boat Federation adopts the IDBF Competition Regulations, with the following amendments

## **AMENDMENTS FOR EDBF COMPETITIONS**

**1.3 EDBF AND OTHER FEDERATIONS CHAMPIONSHIPS.** EDBF Championships may be held annually at a place and time decided on by the AGA and in accordance with these Regulations and Rules of Racing. European Championships are those competitions that are organized directly by the EDBF, or its members, for EDBF Member Crews.

Crews from European countries which do not have a dragon boat federation are welcome, with the prior approval of the EDBF executive committee, providing that a membership application is in process.

There are four kinds of Championships currently authorized by the EDBF, namely the European Nations Championship; the European Club Crew Championship (see Reg. 1.4), the Euro Cup and the Euro Corporate & Community Championship.

**1.4.1 European Championships** are restricted to National Crews. The total number of crews, per country, is defined as a National Team. At least three (3) EDBF National Members must compete before a Competition Class (see Regulation 2.2 for definition) can be awarded EDBF European Championship status. (See also Regulation 1.5.1).

**1.4.2 European Club Crew Championships** are restricted to Club Crews who represent a Dragon Boat Club (not an EDBF National Member). Such Crews must compete under their Club Name and in club attire and must not be given National Team status. At least three (3) Club Crews from three (3) EDBF Members must compete before a Competition Class can be given Championship status. (See also Regulation 1.5.2).

**1.4.3** The minimum number of crews required in 1.4.1 and 1.4.2 to give a Competition Class 'European Championship' status may be relaxed by the EDBF Council for a specific Competition Class if to do so is in the best interests of the sport. (EDBF Regulation only).

**1.5.1 European Championships.** For a European Championships one (1) crew per National Team shall be allowed to compete in each Competition Class listed in the Championships Programme. (This may be increased to two (2) crews per Nation at the discretion of the EDBF Executive Committee).

**1.5.2 Club Crew Championships.** For Club Crew Championships the maximum number of entries in a small boat competition will be four (4).

**1.5.3 NATIONAL RACES.** The definition for a National Race is published in the EDBF Bye-laws. National Races in Europe are those races organised for competitors domiciled in the country where the event takes place, either directly

by an EDBF Member or approved by such a Member, or where an EDBF Member does not exist, an Event Organiser approved by the EDBF. The number of entries per Competition Class in a National Race is left to the discretion of the EDBF Member concerned. (EDBF Regulation).

**5.5 Sponsorship.** At EDBF Championships, sponsorship of Dragon Boats and equipment by one sponsor, for advertising purposes, is permitted subject to the conditions laid down (under Regulation 7.2) by the EDBF Executive Committee, from time to time. Under this Regulation, Championships Organizing Committees may override Regulation 7.2 and exclude crews from using their own boats or paddles, provided that they supply all crews alternative boats and paddles to championships specifications.

\* **7.2.1 (9.12). Advertising on Crew Uniforms, Boats & Equipment.** At EDBF Championships the advertising of a National Team's sponsor on a crews 'off water' uniform and training apparel; Team Boats and Equipment, not supplied by the Organizing Committee *will* be permitted subject to any conditions established by the EDBF Executive Committee from time to time, *provided that such uniform (or training clothes) are not worn during an actual race.* At other EDBF competitions advertising as above shall be at the discretion of the organizers. **Failure to act in accordance with this Regulation may result in disciplinary action against the crew concerned.**

**7.11 TITLES AND PRIZES - CHAMPIONS.** For EDBF Championships, the title Champion shall be conferred on the winning crew in each Competition Class contested, which conforms to the conditions of Competition Regulations 1.4 to 1.5.2 inclusive. Every competitor in each winning crew shall be awarded a medal, gold in colour for 1<sup>st</sup> place, silver in colour for 2<sup>nd</sup> place and bronze in colour for 3<sup>rd</sup> place. (EDBF amended Regulation).

**8.2 INFORMATION & ENTRY FORMS.** For EDBF Championships, information sheets should be sent to all EDBF Members at least 6 months before, and Entry Forms at least 3 months before the championships commence. Entry Forms for International Races should be sent to crews through their EDBF Member Association at least 6 months before the event. The conditions on EDBF Championships Entry Forms form part of this Regulation. (EDBF amended Regulation).

**8.3 ENTRIES.** Entries to EDBF Championships shall be restricted to EDBF Members. For Euro Cup Races entries may be accepted from non-Members but their results will not count towards Euro Cup points. Crews from non-European countries may be invited to an EDBF International Race. All Entries for EDBF competitions must be returned by the Crew Manager to the Event Organizer, with the appropriate fee, on the Entry Form provided, by the Closing Date for entries shown on the form. (Amended Regulation).

**8.3.1 Entry Fees.** For EDBF Championship Races crews may be required to pay Fees as laid down by the EDBF Council. Such fees shall be shown on the Entry Form. For all other EDBF competitions the Event Organizer may set an Entry Fee, in consultation with the EDBF Council. For all EDBF events, the appropriate fee must be sent to the Event Organizer with the Entry Form. The fee is non-refundable once an Entry has been accepted. An entry received late as shown in Regulation 8.3.1 & 8.3.3, may attract a Late Entry Fee.

**9.12 CREW RACING COLOURS.** At EDBF Championships for National Crews, the competing crews shall race in their country's national colours, that is to say, those competitive colours recognised by their National Olympic Committee. For Club Crew Championships, the competing crews shall race in their own Club colours or those of the EDBF Member Association to which they belong.

**CR 2.1.3 Mixed Class: The EDBF follows the IDBF Rules & Regulations.**

Mixed Standard Boat – Maximum 10 of either gender, as per current IDBF Rules.

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

For mixed small boats the EDBF diverges from the IDBF Rules and Regulations as follows:

Mixed Small Boat – Maximum 6 / Minimum 4 either gender will be allowed.

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

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