



Stars and Stripes Regatta

June 25th, 2022

Chesapeake Boathouse at Riversport

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Welcome to the OKC Riversport Stars and Stripes Regatta! The 2022 races will be held on Saturday June 25th on the beautiful restored Oklahoma River in Oklahoma City, OK. All races are 930 meters.

Please read this packet completely as it includes information regarding entries, rules, events and the venue.

Important Dates and Deadlines

- May 16th – Registration opens on Regatta Central at 12:00 pm (noon) CDT
- June 19th- Online registration closes on Regatta Central at of before midnight (CDT). Line ups due on Regatta central at of before midnight (CDT)
- June 21st – Initial race schedule posted
- June 24th- Final race schedule posted. Heat Sheets posted
- Juen 24th- Venue opens for trailer parking and staging
- June 25th- Coaches, Coxswains, Bow Seats Meeting. Race Day.

Coaches, Coxswains and Bow Seat Meeting:

Promptly at 7:00 AM, Saturday, June 25th outside Chesapeake Boathouse middle boat bay. Make certain your crews have practiced the use of a starting dock, backing into a start dock and floating starts procedures.

Order of Events:

The schedule of races will be determined based on the number of entries at the close of registration. Events with no entries at the close of registration are subject to elimination. Events with one entry may be scheduled to race with another event, but shall be awarded separately within their own categories and within the medals/awards rule.

Saturday June 25th

1	Womens's Masters 1x PR3-VI , Guided
2	Womens Masters 1x
3	Womens Masters 1x
4	Womens Open 1x
5	Womens Open 1x
6	Womens Novice 1x
7	Womens Novice Rec 1x
8	Mens Masters 1x
9	Mens Masters 1x
10	Mens Masters 1x
11	Mens Open 1x
12	Mens Open 1x
13	Mens Novice 1x
14	Mens Novice Rec 1x
15	Womens Masters 2x
16	Womens Masters 2x
17	Women's Masters 2-
18	Womens Open 2x
19	Womens Open 2x
20	Mens Masters 2-
21	Mens Masters 2x
22	Mens Masters 2x
23	Mens Open 2x
24	Women's Masters 4+
25	Mixed Masters 2x
26	Mixed Masters 2x
27	Mixed Open 2x
28	Men's Masters 4+
29	Womens Open 4+
30	Mixed Masters 4x
31	Mixed Open 4x
32	Mens Open 4+
33	Womens Masters 4x
34	Womens Open 4x
35	Mens Masters 4x
36	Mens Open 4x
37	Women's Masters 8+
38	Mens Masters 8+
39	Mixed Masters 8+
40	Parent/Child 2x

Inclement Weather Information

The Regatta Director, Local Organizing Committee and volunteer referees will work together to monitor the weather continuously during the regatta.

Should it be determined that schedule changes are necessary due to weather concerns the following weather plan will be utilized:

Communication Plan

The weather-related schedule changes will be announced using the following mediums:

- Announced over PA
- Via Text message. We will be using the *What's App* to send out any pertinent information. All coaches and or athletes registered through Regatta Central will be emailed a link to join the S&S Coaches information Broadcast Group on *What's App*
- Online via Regatta Central.

Crews are responsible for staying updated on any announced schedule changes.

Please direct any questions about schedule changes to the Regatta Director at the registration desk.

Schedule changes will be made with the following priorities:

- Delay racing a maximum of one hour. At which time the weather and schedule will be reevaluated to determine if any events can safely be raced.
- Begin racing earlier than previously announced. Announcements will be made no later than 3 hours before racing or 9:00 pm the evening before in the case of the morning racing.
- In case of high wind small boat categories deemed unsafe to race will be eliminated starting with 1x, then 2-, 2x etc.
- Cancel regatta.

Registration Information

Registration/Events

All entries should be submitted through Regatta Central at www.regrattacentral.com. No paper entries will be accepted for this event. Registration will open May 16th, 2022 at midnight (CDT). No refunds will be given once the standard registration period has closed.

On-site Registration:

Registration Desk hours:

Friday June 24th 4:30-7:30 PM

Saturday June 25th 6:00 AM- 7:45AM

Registration will be located at the Finish Line Tower 1st Floor.

Check –In:

Crews and athletes must check-in at the registration desk to ensure registration is complete, a waiver is signed, and all fees are paid in full.

Waivers:

Each participant must submit a waiver. All athletes must complete the 2022 online waiver at registration on regatta central.com. Waivers are due BY June 24th.

Eligibility:

All Masters rowers and Open rowing category participants.

Classifications:

- Master- A master is a competitor who has attained or will attain the age of 21 during the current calendar year. A competitor's age is determined as of December 31 of the current calendar year, rounded down to the nearest whole number. Thus, a competitor becomes a master on January 1st of the year of his or her 21st birthday. A masters crew shall be comprised exclusively of master's rowers, but the coxswain need not be a master.
- Open- Any athlete, Master, Junior, or Collegiate rower may participate.
- Mixed Events- A crew competing in a mixed event must be 50% male and 50% female, not including coxswain. A female rower shall not compete in events for men and a male rower shall not compete in events with women.
- PR3-V1 – Athlete with full use of arms, trunk and legs but are permanently visually impaired with reduced or no vision.

- Coxswains- Coxswains may cox in any boat, regardless of being male or female coxswains should also adhere to the 40-minute hot seating rule.

Age Classifications:

Category Ages:

AA 21-26

A 27-35

B 36-42

C 43-49

D 50-54

E 55-59

F 60-69

G 65-69

H 70-74

I 75-79

J 80+

The age category of a Masters crew shall be determined by the average age of the rowers in the crew, rounded to the nearest whole number. The age of a coxswain shall not be counted. The ages of individual rowers need not fall within the age category, so long as each rower is a master, and so long as the average age of the crew falls within the applicable category.

Individuals whose age places them in AA (21-26) may now compete in any age category where the average age of the boat falls within that specific category.

A Masters crew may compete in a lower (younger) category but not in a higher (older) category.

If there is more than one entry in a given age category, no handicap shall be used.

Results:

All results will be posted online at [Stars & Stripes River Festival - Riversport OKC](#) and at [RegattaCentral](#) after racing. Results, once made official, will also be posted under the bridge during the event.

Rules:

Hot Seating:

Hot seating equipment or rowers is not permitted in events that are less than 40 minutes apart on the race schedule. Hot seating is done at each crew's risk, and race starts will not be held.

Scheduled Race Time:

Regatta is always on time! If racing runs behind, every effort will be made to make up time and get back on schedule. If you are not at the start and locked on/ in align for your race by 2 minutes to start you are considered "Late to start" and will be assessed a warning. Races may not be held for late to start.

Unsportsmanlike Conduct:

Unsportsmanlike conduct includes, but is not limited to, failure to heed instructions of race officials, use of obscene language or gestures, delaying a race without just cause, intentional or flagrant disregard of principles of safety and fairness, or abusive behavior toward any official, team member, spectator, or volunteer.

A crew that engages in unsportsmanlike conduct may be assessed a penalty by race official.

Any team member, including a competitor, who engages in unsportsmanlike conduct, on or off the water, at any time during the regatta, may have his or her further participation at the regatta curtailed or prohibited by race officials or staff.

Safety Check:

Check your equipment for race readiness, including the proper tying of heels of shoes (3 inches). Bow balls are required.

Bow Numbers:

Teams must provide their own bow numbers 1-7

Equipment:

Each organization is responsible for ensuring that their equipment meets the standards listed above under the Safety check.

Starting Platform:

All crews must be able to align on the fingers with stakeboat holders, connected to the platform. Please make sure your coxswains and crews know how to back onto the fingers(pods) and maintain a point. Crews will be expected to know how to “scull” to keep their point.

Floating Starts:

In the event we are unable to utilize the starting platform we will be using a floating start. All crews must be familiar with the floating start procedure.

PR3-V1 Guided:

Each participant in the PR3-V1 shall be required to be directed by a guide boat. The guide boat is not allowed to coach or encourage the Entrant, but is merely permitted to give instructions intended to guide the Entrant down the race course, staying between the buoyed lines for the lane assigned the Entrant. The guide’s instructions should be limited to “Port,” “Starboard,” and “Way Enough”, as well as any other verbal instructions if needed for the safety of Entrant, or any other person.

The guide boat shall also stay between the buoyed lines of the lane assigned to the Entrant, but in front of (on the bow side of) the Entrant.

The guide boat cannot be motorized but shall be a rowing “single” boat, rowed by a person with no disability.

Medals/Awards

Medals awarded for FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD place for all events, except that no medal shall be awarded to the last place boat. In Masters events where there is no more than one flight, medals will be awarded for each flight as if it were a final. Open and novice categories with multiple flights will be treated as one event and medals for first, second and third will be awarded to the three fastest times pooled from all flights of any given event.

All medals will be available for pick up at the registration desk on the 1st floor of the Finish Line Tower after the results have been made official. Coaches or athletes can sign for medals.

Venue:

Location:

Boathouse District

725 S Lincoln Blvd

Oklahoma city, OK 73129

Course:

The course is a 1,000m, 6 lane, fully buoyed course with a starting platform. Crews must be able

Trailers and Boat storage/staging:

Trailers:

Trailers will be parked in the grass by the Finish Line Tower. Please pull onto 6th street and turn into the Finish Line Tower parking lot on the south side and proceed to the first trailer slot to the south marked by a wooden stake marker.

Car –toppers:

May Park at the Chesapeake Boathouse parking lot. Please let us know ahead of time that you are bringing a car top by contacting the Regatta Director.

Boat Staging:

Boats can be staged in the Finish Line Tower grass area and on the east side of the Chesapeake front grass area to the east of the front door walk way. Do not block any walkways.

Crew Tents:

Crews may place tents in the clearly marked areas along the race course on Saturday only. Tents must be removed by 2:00 pm on Saturday after racing.

Parking:

Paid parking will be available in designated Boathouse District areas for \$10.00

Contacts:

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