



## **The Tampa Mayor's Cup Entry Packet**

**Saturday, March 21, 2015**

**Tampa, Florida**

USRowing and The Stewards Foundation are proud to present the 6<sup>th</sup>-annual Tampa Mayor's Cup. This event offers a wide range of events for youth, collegiate, and masters athletes. The Tampa Mayor's Cup is one of the premiere rowing events in the state of Florida and Southeastern United States.

Please read this packet completely, as it includes information regarding entries, rules, procedures, and other pertinent information.

### **Venue Information:**

Venue Address:

Hillsborough Community College (HCC)  
Davis Islands Campus  
39 Columbia Drive  
Tampa, Florida 33606

Map is provided at the end of this packet.

### **USRowing Membership:**

**All individual competitors racing at the event are REQUIRED to be current, "Championship" members of USRowing.**

**Each competing organization is required to be a current organizational member of USRowing.**

Memberships can be activated or renewed by visiting <http://www.usrowing.org/join.aspx> or by calling the Membership Services Department at (800) 314-4769.

*USRowing will offer a discounted membership fee for collegiate competitors at this regatta. College and university crews can take advantage of a special two-for-one offer, where*

*collegiate competitors can get two individual "Championship" memberships for the price of one. This offer will only apply to collegiate athletes competing at the 2015 Tampa Mayor's Cup. Please contact USRowing at 1-800-314-4769 for more information on this offer.*

Memberships should be handled prior to arriving for the event.

	<b>Pre-Registration "Championship" Membership</b>	<b>On-Site Registration "Championship" Membership</b>
<b>26 or Younger</b>	\$45	\$50
<b>Collegiate</b>	2 for \$45	2 for \$50
<b>27 or Older</b>	\$65	\$70

If you have questions regarding the status of your organizational or individual memberships, please contact our Membership Services department at (800) 314-4769 or [members@usrowing.org](mailto:members@usrowing.org).

A current listing of your athletes, their member numbers, and expiration dates can be found on your online roster: <https://rosters.usrowing.org>

### **Waivers:**

All athletes should make sure to sign their USRowing waiver using their Championship Member number.

### **Credentials:**

Credentials will be issued to athletes once registration is complete, membership and waiver information is verified, and all fees are paid in full.

A coach or team representative may pick up the credentials for their team if all team members meet the above criteria, and the organization's membership and regatta fees are paid in full. All team credentials must be picked up at the same time. Partial groups will not be distributed.

Athletes will be required to show credentials in order to pass through Control Commission and launch for racing sessions.

Crews will not be able to launch without showing proper credentials.

Each athlete will receive one complimentary credential as part of his or her registration for the event. Any replacement credentials can be purchased for \$10 at the registration desk.

## **Classifications:**

Youth: A Youth is a competitor who in the current calendar year does not attain the age of 19, or who is and has been continuously enrolled in secondary school as a full-time student seeking a diploma. A competitor thus ceases to be a Youth after December 31 of the year of his or her 18th birthday, or of the year in which he or she completes the 12th grade of secondary school, having been a full-time student, whichever is later.

Collegiate: A Collegiate is a competitor who is representing a recognized collegiate organization at this regatta. A collegiate organization can be club, varsity, or NCAA Division I, II, or III.

Master: A Masters 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. A Competitor thus becomes a Masters on January 1 of the year of his or her 21<sup>st</sup> birthday. A Masters Crew shall be comprised exclusively of Masters Rowers, but the Coxswain need not be a Master.

Novice: A Rower or Coxswain whose initial competition within that same discipline has been in the previous 12 months of the date of the Regatta.

## **Rules:**

USRowing's Rules of Rowing will govern this event.

An online version is available at <http://www.usrowing.org/About/RulesofRowing.aspx>

## **Equipment:**

All equipment used in competition must meet the USRowing Rules of Rowing requirements for equipment, with the exception of waived rules listed in this packet. Each organization is responsible for ensuring that its equipment meets these standards.

**Crews must provide their own bow balls and bow numbers.**

Any equipment not meeting these standards, or judged to be unsafe by a USRowing official, will not be allowed onto the water.

## **Unsportsmanlike Conduct:**

Unsportsmanlike conduct includes, but is not limited to, failure to heed the 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, or spectator.

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

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

A parent or spectator engaging in unsportsmanlike conduct may result in the crew they are associated with having their further participation at the regatta curtailed or prohibited, and may be removed from the racing venue.

### **Weigh-ins:**

Lightweights:

There will be no official weigh-ins for Lightweights. Weigh-ins will be on the honor system.

#### **Youth Lightweight Men:**

Max: 150lbs. (no average)

#### **Non-Youth Lightweight Men:**

Max: 160 lbs. (no average)

#### **All Lightweight Women:**

Max: 130 lbs. (no average)

Coxswains:

There will be no official weigh-ins for coxswains. Weigh-ins will be on the honor system.

#### **Coxswain for Men's Event:**

Minimum: 120 lbs.

#### **Coxswain for Women's Event:**

Minimum: 110 lbs.

### **Entry Information:**

Entries in each event will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

No paper entries will be accepted for this event. All entries must be made online at RegattaCentral. Initial registration will be available beginning February 1, 2015, and ending Sunday, March 15, 2015. No refunds will be given once the initial registration period has ended.

All entry fees must be paid in full by Sunday, March 15, 2015. After this date, unpaid entries will be considered late entries, and subject to the additional fees associated with such

designation. Payment arrangements may be made by contacting [jstimus@gmail.com](mailto:jstimus@gmail.com) prior to the March 15, 2015, deadline.

Organizations with an outstanding balance will not be allowed to compete until the balance is paid in full.

Entry Fees	
Eights	\$90
Fours/Quads	\$70
Pairs/Doubles	\$45
Singles	\$35
Fee Cap	\$1300*

Note: To receive this fee cap, all entries must be submitted under one account per club

### **Line-ups:**

All entries should include the line-up of athletes to compete as part of that entry. All entry line-ups must be submitted by Sunday, March 15, 2015. Any entry without line-ups after this time will be treated as a late entry. Line-ups with placeholder names such as "A. Rower" will be considered incomplete and will also be considered late entries.

After Sunday, March 15, 2015, crews may substitute up to one half of its rowers, as well as its coxswain, excluding single sculls. After this deadline, no substitutions may be made for single scull entries except for illness or injury in accordance with the USRowing Rules of Rowing.

Line-ups will remain open on RegattaCentral for editing until Sunday, March 15, 2015. Any line-up changes required after this date must be made at the regatta site, no later than 1 hour before the first race of the event for which the crew is entered.

Email lineup changes will not be accepted.

### **Late Entries:**

Late entries may be accepted in events where additional entries do not change the progression, or exceed any listed entry maximums. These entries are subject to the higher entry fees listed above.

All late entries must be done on site at the registration table. No late entries will be accepted on RegattaCentral.

E-mail submissions will NOT be accepted.

## **Scratches:**

Entries may be scratched or changed without penalty until Sunday, March 15, 2015.

Scratches received beginning Monday, March 16, 2015, are not subject to a refund.

Scratches made after the Coaches and Coxswains Meeting, will be subject to a forfeiture of entry fees and an additional \$25 scratch fee.

Scratches will be accepted via RegattaCentral until Sunday, March 15, 2015.

Beginning Monday, March 16, 2015, all scratches must be submitted to USRowing on-site using the forms provided at the USRowing registration desk.

Any crew failing to submit written notification of a scratch, either online or on-site, may be subject to an additional no-show fee of \$100 to be charged to the RegattaCentral account holder.

## **Entry Limits:**

There will be no entry limits

## **Progression:**

For events with more than six (6) entries, the entries will be divided up into flights. The best overall time for specific flights will be declared the winner. Other finishers will be tabulated based on finishing times. For events with less than six (6) entries, the event will be the final, and the winner of the race will be the winner of the event.

<b>Saturday, March 21, 2015</b>		
break	C&C	Coaches, Coxswains & Scullers Meeting
1	WM 1X	Womens Masters 1x
2	MM 1X	Mens Masters 1x
3	WM 4x	Womens Masters 4x
4	MM 4x	Mens Masters 4x
5	WY 1x	Womens Youth 1x
6	MY 1x	Mens Youth 1x
7	WC/O 2X	Womens Collegiate Varsity/Open 2x
8	MC/O 2X	Mens Collegiate Varsity/Open 2x
9	WCV/O 8+	Womens Collegiate Varsity/Open 8+
10	MCV/O 8+	Mens Collegiate Varsity/Open 8+
11	WYV 8+	Womens Youth Varsity 8+
12	MYV 8+	Mens Youth Varsity 8+

13	WCN 4+	Womens Collegiate Novice 4+
14	MCN 4+	Mens Collegiate Novice 4+
		Race Buffer
15	WYN 4+	Womens Youth Novice 4+
16	MYN 4+	Mens Youth Novice 4+
17	WC/O 2-	Womens Collegiate Varsity/Open 2-
18	MC/O 2-	Mens Collegiate Varsity/Open 2-
19	WCV/O 4+	Womens Collegiate Varsity/Open 4+
20	MCV/O 4+	Mens Collegiate Varsity/Open 4+
21	WYV 4+	Womens Youth Varsity 4+
22	MYV 4+	Mens Youth Varsity 4+
23	MCN 8+	Mens Collegiate Novice 8+
24	WCN 8+	Womens Collegiate Novice 8+
25	WYN 8+	Womens Youth Novice 8+
26	MYN 8+	Mens Youth Novice 8+
27	WCLT 8+	Womens Collegiate Ltwt Varsity 8+
28	MCLT 8+	Mens Collegiate Ltwt Varsity 8+
29	MXMS 8+	Mixed Middle School 8+ Exhibition
break		Race buffer
break		Lunch Break
break		Race Buffer
30	WM 2x	Womens Masters 2x
31	MM 2X	Mens Masters 2x
32	MXM 2X	Mixed Masters 2x
33	WY 2x	Womens Youth 2x
34	MY 2x	Mens Youth 2x
35	WCV/O 4X	Womens Collegiate Varsity/Open 4x
36	MC/O 4x	Mens Collegiate Varsity/ Open 4x
37	WY 4X	Womens Youth 4x
38	MY 4X	Mens Youth 4x
39	WCLT 4+	Womens Collegiate Ltwt Varsity 4+
40	MCLT 4+	Mens Collegiate Ltwt Varsity 4+
41	MXY 4+	Mixed Youth 4+

Event times (if listed) are typically for the finals. The schedule is tentative and subject to change

### **Schedule Information:**

See event schedule.

### **Coaches and Coxswains Meeting:**

Meeting is at 7:30am.

## **Medals:**

Medals will be awarded for all declared first place finishers at HCC, along with points trophies.

## **Inclement Weather Information:**

The Chief Referee, USRowing, and Local Organizing Committee will work together to monitor the weather continuously during the regatta.

In the event that inclement weather causes delays in the regatta schedule, the following weather plan will be utilized, see Notification Process below.

## **Notification Process:**

All schedule change notifications will be announced in the following places:

- On-site on the results/announcements board by the boathouse
- On-site through any on-site public address systems in use
- Online via Twitter, Facebook, RegattaCentral, and the USRowing website
- Via text message. Coaches, athletes, and parents can register to receive weather related text messages by texting "Mayorscup" to 313131.

Schedule Changes will be made with the following priorities

- Delay racing later the same day, if time is available. If racing is delayed, race centers may be reduced to account for the time available.
- Begin racing earlier than previously announced. Announcement will be made no later than 3 hours before racing or 9:00 PM the evening before in the case of morning racing.
- Utilize a time-trial system for a round of the event.
- Cancel some events.
- Cancel regatta.

Under NO circumstances will races be rescheduled for a date later than March 21, 2015.

## **Contact Information:**

AJ Dominique III, Events Manager, USRowing

Email – [Alvin@usrowing.org](mailto:Alvin@usrowing.org)

Phone – (609) 751- 0705



**Venue Map:**

