



15th EDBF European Club Crew Championships

23-25 August 2013

INFORMATION BULLETIN No.1

LOCATION: The 15th EDBF ECCC will be held 23 – 25 August 2013 in Hamburg / Allermöhe. The regatta course is situated at the Dove – Elbe Water Park in the south-east of Hamburg. It takes about 15 minutes from the city centre to be reached by car. A shuttle service between the accommodations and the regatta venue will be set up.

COMPETITION FORMAT: The ECCC will be conducted according to the IDBF Competition Regulations and IDBF Rules of Racing by appointed IDBF International Race Officials and DDV National Officials, under the direction of IDBF appointed Chief Officials and with a Jury nominated by the EDBF Executive committee.

REGATTA COURSE: The Regatta Course and technical facilities will be to EDBF standards for European Championships. The number of lanes will be up to eight on for 200 and 500 m, with a width of 13.5 m. There will be photofinish equipment in place.

BOATS AND EQUIPMENT: Minimum 12, maximum 18 identical boats will be provided by the Championship organizers. Competing crews are expected to bring their own paddles that conform to the IDBF Paddle Specification 202a.

CLASSES AND DISTANCES: Races will be held for the following Racing Classes

STANDARD BOATS (22 racers)

Premier	Open/ Mixed/ Women	200m, 500m, 2.000* m	(5 entries, per Competition Class, per Country)
Senior A B/C	Open/ Mixed/ Women	200m, 500m, 2.000* m	(5 entries, per Competition Class, per Country)
Junior A/B/18- 23's	Open/ Mixed/ Women	200m, 500m, 2.000* m	(5 entries, per Competition Class, per Country)

Senior over 40 as of 1st June 2013, Grand Senior over 50 as 1st June 2013, Senior C over 60 as of 1 June 2013, Junior A under 16 but over 11 as of 1st June 2013, Junior B under 18 but over 12 as of 1 June 2013, 18-23s under 24 but over 18 as of 1st June 2013.

Full medals are only awarded for those categories with at least 4 club crews registered, otherwise the medal/trophy/certificate scheme will be in effect.

SMALL BOATS (12 racers)

The Small Boat Championships are primarily for new and developing EDBF Member Countries – normally the EDBF Basic and Associate Members but any EDBF Member who is unable to field Standard Boats in the 18-23s and Senior C Competition Classes, may enter these specific Small Boat competitions. A Club can enter the Standard or Small Boat Races or both in all Racing Classes but for a Club to enter both a Standard and Small





Boat crew in the same Divisional Racing Class the paddlers in the Small Boat Crew must be different paddlers from those used in the Standard Boat crew - including reserves. Additionally, if a club enters the 2000m races in a standard boat it cannot enter the small boat 200m and 500m races in the same racing class. Exception for Mixed Crews. A Club may enter an Open Standard Boat Crew and a Women's Small Boat Crew in any Racing Class (or vice versa) when there are less than 18 paddlers in either crew. Then using the same Small Boat paddlers a Club can also race a Standard Boat Mixed Crew but not a Small Boat Mixed Crew.

In any event double rostering of paddlers between Divisions is discouraged. Helms and Drummers may be used across the Divisions (subject to the rules for Junior and Seniors) but in the case of 'back to back races' the race officials will NOT delay races to accommodate the transfer of Helms or Drummers.

Small boat racing will be held for classes with at least 4 entries (for full-medal eligibility).

* 2.000 m races only for the STANDARD BOATS

EDBF Club Crew Championship Races

Rules of participation: the race officially is for those European Club Crews that are members of their National Dragon Boat Federation. From the countries which do not have a Dragon Boat Federation, crews are also welcome, upon approval from the EDBF Board. Crews from out of Europe, or not approved by their Dragon Boat Federation can only participate out of competition at the ECCC, if the number of entries make that possible.

The organizers will have all entries confirmed by the National Dragon Boat Federations and the EDBF.

PERSONAL SAFETY: All Crew Members must be water-confident and ideally be able to swim at least 50 meters. It is the Crew Manager's responsibility to ensure that this limitation is complied with, and to ensure that known weak swimmers wear personal flotation aids. Crews compete entirely at their own risk and must be 'Fit to Race', as defined in EDBF Competition Regulations.

RULES AND REGULATIONS: The 15th ECCC will be conducted under the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of racing, copies of which are shown on the EDBF website at www.edbf.org and will be forwarded to EDBF members who return completed Named Entries. Information Bulletins will be published to confirm crew entries at a later date.

OUTLINE PROGRAM:

Friday 23th August

9.00 – 10.00	Crew leaders meeting
14.00 – 18.00	2.000 meter all classes

Saturday 24th August

8.00 – 19.00	200 meter all classes
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Sunday 25th August

8.00 – 17.00	500 meter all classes
18.30 – 1.00 (next day)	party

Monday 26th August

09.00 – 14.00	EDBF Annual General Assembly (one representative per country required)
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* The above program is provisional and subject to change

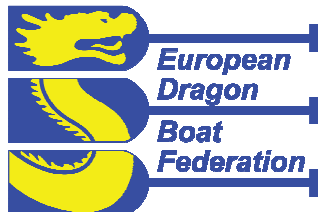


Monday – Thursday		Arrival of crews, practice
Wednesday	16.00 – 18.00 18.00 – 22.00	EDBF Board Council
Thursday	Whole day	Practice day for crews
	09.00 – 10.00	Race official meeting
	Afternoon	Club Crew leader meeting
	18.00	Opening ceremony
Friday	Morning	Crew leaders meeting
	Afternoon	2000 m races
Saturday	All day	200 m races
Sunday	Whole day	500 m races
	Evening	Dragon Boat Party
Monday		Departure of crews
	09.00 – 14.00	EDBF Annual General Assembly Meeting (all countries send one representative)

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ENTRIES: (to be confirmed by the EDBF)

	Due date	
PROVISIONAL ENTRIES & PLACING ACCOMODATION REQUEST	15/03	Provisional Entry Form
HOTEL RESERVATION, 1. prepayment	01/04	30% prepayment
NUMERATIVE ENTRIES	15/04	Numerative Entry Form
HOTEL RESERVATION, 2. prepayment	01/06	70% prepayment
NAMED ENTRIES & EDBF ADMIN FEE	10/06	Named Entry Form



Teams submitting their applications late are not guaranteed of a place in the competition!

Online registration: At the same time of named entries online registration will work on the official website of ECCC.

ADMINISTRATION FEE: There is an administration fee per person (includes EDBF registration fee of 10 Euro) for everyone travelling with the team, including competitors, coaches, managers, supporters, Congress delegates. The admin fee will entitle paddlers to receive a souvenir of the event and an accreditation card + wrist band, which makes possible to enter the racing location and the competition zone. Children under 12 (who are not dragon boat crew members) may receive a reduced price accreditation card (10 euro pp) to allow them to be supervised by parents racing in a registered crew.

ACCOMODATION: We offer accommodation to every team (including registered competitors, officials, delegates, and supporters **who travel with the team**) in **hostels or hotels with breakfast**.

We suggest that teams choose one of the hotels promoted by the organisers.

Category I.	Hostel / with breakfast	EUR 20,00 – 29,00 / person/night
Category II.	Hotel * - **/ with breakfast	EUR 40,00 – 42,50 / person/night
Category III.	Hotel *** / with breakfast	EUR 70,00 – 75,00 / person/night
Category IV.	Hotel **** / with breakfast	EUR120,00 – 135,00 / person/night

You will find more information in the next bulletin/website.

Please send the registration form by **01 March 2013** to: eccentry@edbf.org, all other inquiries to contact@eccc2013.com.

MEALS: We offer lunch at the course. There are also various catering stands in the athlete area.

TRANSFER: A shuttle service between the airport and accomodations / regatta venue will be set up.

PARTY: Details will be available in the next bulletin.

You will find the package offers, transfer rates and information about meals in the next bulletin.

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