



HENLEY ROYAL REGATTA
Wednesday 4th July to Sunday 8th July, 2018

Notes for USA Crews

Entries

Henley Royal Regatta (HRR) will no longer produce paper copies of the Official Entry Form.

From 1st May 2018, USA Clubs will be able to download an Entry Form and associated guidance notes at regattaentries.co.uk

Payment for all entries must be made online at regattaentries.co.uk/pay and the receipt must be attached to your completed Entry Form before sending it to Gillian Perry Millsom. Gillian is based in Connecticut and is the authorised representative of USRowing for all Henley entries. She will counter-sign the Entry Form on the bottom of the front page and will then submit the completed Entry Form to the Regatta Office in the UK by the Closing Date for entries - 18.00 (British Summer Time) on Monday, 18th June 2018.

Gillian can be contacted by email - gillian@natrowing.org – or by phone – 860 535 0634 or by mobile 860 961 9948.

The two American Stewards who will check the performance records, background and appropriateness of all the American entries are:

Joe Michels - joe@jgmichels.com

Jamie Koven - james.koven@oneequity.com

Coaches are reminded that the club, student and junior events are always over-subscribed and that Qualifying Races (timed Head Races) will be held on Friday 29th June. Many overseas crews will be required to compete in the Qualifying Races but if a crew has a sufficiently good racing record in 2018 then it may be given exemption from these races.

Any coach who is uncertain about the Rules or about which event to enter should contact either Joe Michels or Jamie Koven.

The Close of Entries will occur at 18.00 (British Summer Time) on Monday 18th June. Please ensure your completed Entry Form is sent to Gillian Perry Millsom well in advance of this date to allow sufficient time for the form to reach Henley.

Accommodation Form

A form regarding Accommodation is available to download. This form should be completed and returned by email to **crewshosting@hrr.co.uk**

The key information required is the number of persons (men and women), date of arrival and date of departure.

There are very few hotels in Henley so the Regatta office works closely with many families in the town who are happy to offer 'Bed & Breakfast' to visiting crews and their coaches. This service is not available to family and supporters – only to the crews. All families will provide breakfast and a few families will also provide an evening meal.

In some houses, it may be possible for the crew to use the kitchen to prepare their own meals (e.g. lightweights!) – if this is a 'wish' then it should be noted on the Form. Any unusual requests – e.g. allergic to cats or dogs – should also be noted.

The cost of Bed & Breakfast in 2017 was around £36 per person, per day, although some households may charge more.

IMPORTANT – We do not work with any intermediary or local agents to find accommodation for crews so you are strongly advised to deal direct with the Regatta Office.

None of the accommodation suggested has been visited or checked in any way by Henley Royal Regatta.

Transport

The Regatta is unable to assist overseas crews with arranging transport to and from the airports.

If you want to hire a minibus, you are strongly advised to deal with one of the many vehicle hire operators working out of Heathrow Airport. It is almost impossible to hire minibuses in Henley. If you search the internet for 'minibus hire Heathrow airport' you will find a large selection of hire companies.

Boats and Oars

If you want to hire boats and oars, Mr. Andy Crawford can help to make an introduction for you with UK Clubs and Oar Manufacturers for the hire of boats and oars. For club and student crews, HRR does not get involved in the hire process - Andy simply acts as a link to put people in touch – we take no responsibility!

Andy may also be able to assist with suggesting a UK person to transport boats between Henley and other UK venues. Andy can be contacted by email at **apscrawford@aol.com**

All racing boats competing at the Regatta are required by the Environment Agency (the Navigation Authority) to have a Licence. However, it is likely that the majority of UK boats available for hire will already have a Licence. A limited number of Licences (£10) will be available from the Boat Tent Official on arrival in Henley.

Overseas Competitor Badges

The coach of an overseas crew is allowed to purchase Overseas Competitor Badges for the crew. These Badges allow access to the prestigious Stewards' Enclosure and a form and Information Pack will be sent by email when your Entry has been confirmed.

The cost of an Overseas Competitor Badge for 2018 is £110.

Overseas Visitors - Stewards' Enclosure Guest Badges

The coach of an overseas crew is also allowed to purchase Stewards' Enclosure Guest Badges and Grandstand Seats for family and friends of their crew. A form and Information Pack will be sent by email when your Entry has been confirmed by Regatta HQ. **All requests for Overseas Visitor Badges must be directed through the Coach.**

Cost:-

Guest Badge 2018	£35 - £60, depending on the day.
Reserved Members' Grandstand	£11 to £16, depending on the day

All badges are subject to availability and you are encouraged to book early.

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