



INFORMATION BULLETIN NO. 1 Rev A
18TH EDBF EUROPEAN CLUB CREW CHAMPIONSHIPS
Centro de Entrenamiento y Alto Rendimiento, La Cartuja, Seville, Spain
25th to 28th July 2019
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The European Dragon Boat Federation Council in conjunction with the Spanish Dragon Boat Association (AEDB) warmly invite all **Club Crews** from **European countries** to participate in the **18th EDBF European Club Crew Championships (ECCC)** in Seville, Spain. This year there will be a new Competition Class, the EDBF will be introducing **Paradragons**. Further details can be found on pages 3 and 4.

DATE

The actual racing of the 18th EDBF ECCC will be held from the 26th July to 28th July 2019 inclusive. Competing crews are advised to arrive in Seville no later than Thursday, 25th July 2019. Crews arriving earlier will be catered for.

LOCATION

The 18th EDBF ECCC will be held in the historic city of Seville, in the south west corner of Spain. Racing will take place on the River Guadalquivir at the CEAR La Cartuja; a specialised centre which has hosted many World and European rowing and canoeing championships. The venue is located 9Km (14 minutes) from Seville Airport; 206Km (2hrs 15mins) from Malaga Airport and is only a 10 minute walk to the city centre.

REGATTA COURSE

The regatta course and technical facilities will be according to EDBF standards for a European Club Crew Championships. The actual race course will consist of 6 race lanes, 13.5m wide and 4m deep over 200m and 500m. The course is located on a dead end section of the river, so there is no flow.



BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

IDBF licensed boats will be provided for the Championships by Peisheng Boats. Competing crews will be expected to bring their own paddles that conform to the IDBF Paddle Specification 202a.

VENUE LAYOUT



KEY

- 1.- Hangar
- 2.- Gyms
- 3.- Dressing Rooms
- 4.- CEAR Offices
- 5.- Indoor Multi Sports Court
- 6.- Artificial Synthetic Grass Court
- 7.- Tennis Court
- 8.- Main Building
- 9.- Ergometer Room
- 10.- Center of Sports Medicine
- 11.- Athlete's Residence

COMPETITION FORMAT

The Championship is primarily for those European Club Crews that are members of the European Dragon Boat Federation. Crews from countries which do not have a Dragon Boat Federation are welcome, with the approval of the EDBF Executive Committee. The ECCC will be conducted according to the IDBF Competition Regulations and IDBF Rules of Racing by appointed IDBF International Race Officials. These will be assisted by National Standard Officials, under the direction of an IDBF Chief Official, with a Championship Jury nominated by the EDBF Executive Committee.

VISAS

Teams requiring visas to enter Spain should apply directly to the organising committee by email to visainfo@ecccsevilla2019.com, no later than 30th April 2019, requesting a letter of invitation to the 18th EDBF ECCC and enclosing a list of those participants (full name, date of birth, passport number, passport expiry date) who have been selected for the Team. This should also include any Officials and Supporters who are attending the Championships.

DIVISIONS, RACING & COMPETITION CLASSES & ENTRY CONDITIONS

IDBF RULES AND REGULATIONS

The IDBF Rules of Racing – Edition 7, issue 1, effective from 1st January 2016 and the IDBF Competition Regulations – Edition 7, issue 1, effective from 1st January 2016 will be used for the Championships.

Please make sure you familiarise yourselves with these rules which can be found on the IDBF website www.idbf.org.



ENTRIES

All entries to the 18th EDBF ECCC must be sanctioned by the EDBF member organization to which that crew belongs, where one exists. Crews from countries or territories where there is not an EDBF member may compete, subject to the agreement of the EDBF Executive Committee. A maximum 5 entries per Standard Boat competition class and a maximum of 3 entries per Small Boat competition class, per EDBF Member will be allowed, with only one entry per Club.

A Club can enter Standard or Small Boat Crews 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** or competition, the paddlers in the Small Boat Crew must be **different paddlers** from those used in the Standard Boat crew – including reserves, **with the exception of Mixed Crews, Juniors and U24 Open.**

E.g. An athlete competing in the Standard Boat Premier Open, cannot also compete in the Small Boat Premier Open class.

MIXED CREWS EXCEPTION

A Club may enter an Open Standard Boat and also a Women’s Small Boat Crew or vice versa, in any Racing Class when there are less than 18 paddlers of either sex available to race. In these cases the same Small Boat paddlers can **also race in a Standard Boat Mixed Crew or a Small Boat Mixed Crew.**

The following mixed crew composition rules will be used at this Championships.

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

Mixed Small Boat – Maximum 6/Minimum 4 either gender will be allowed (Ruling for EDBF ECCC 2019 only)

BCP CREWS

BCP crews will race in Standard Boats and Small Boats over 200m, 500m and 2000m. **BCP Crews will not count against the 5 (Standard Boat) or 3 (Small Boat) crews per EDBF Member** and may be requested to enter as 2 Small Boat Crews if entries for the Standard Boats are low. To avoid any confusion, all paddlers including drummer and helm must be breast cancer survivors. All teams are to provide their own helms.

PARADRAGONS

The EDBF is pleased to announce that the 18th EDBF ECCC will include Paradrragon races for the first time! Paradrragon racing is aimed at broadening the reach of our sport by encouraging those with physical, psychological, neurological, sensory or intellectual impairments to participate.



The Paradrakon category offered is 'PD2' where half the paddlers have a recognised impairment. Please refer to the attached Framework Rules for a definition of 'PD2'.

At Appendix 1 to this bulletin is the complete set of rules for such races, as adopted by the IDBF in July 2018 and by the EDBF on 1st December 2018. Note that there is no age or gender requirement for either category, but the set of rules does set out how age and gender will be taken into account. Any questions regarding the set of rules or the nature of competition should be sent by email to chair-para@idbf.org.

This is advance notification of the EDBF's intention to include Paradrakon races. The categories, race distances, and boat types that will finally be offered will depend on the initial level of interest expressed by clubs. Accordingly, clubs are asked to indicate their interest by completing the following table and returning it to chair-para@idbf.org by **15th January 2019**. At this stage, no commitment is sought (but 'firm' entries will be sought in due course).

Club:				Country:	
Category	Boat	Definite interest	Potential interest	No interest	Remarks
PD2 (half of paddlers impaired)	Standard				The participation of paddlers (impaired or unimpaired) will not affect their eligibility to compete in other categories for other clubs
	Small				

In order to encourage the greatest level of Paradrakon participation, the EDBF will permit 'ad hoc' clubs to enter (in other words, a Paradrakon club can be formed solely for the purpose of entering the competition).

DOUBLE ROSTERING OF PADDLERS

Double rostering of paddlers between Divisions is discouraged. Helms and Drummers may be used across the Divisions (subject to the rules for Juniors and Seniors), but in the case of 'back to back races' the Officials will **NOT** delay races for Helms/Drummers to transfer between crews. **PLEASE ENSURE THIS IS FOLLOWED AS WE WILL NOT CHANGE THE RACE PROGRAMME TO SUIT YOUR TEAM.**

PERSONAL SAFETY

All crew members must be water confident and ideally be able to swim at least 50m. 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 the IDBF Competition Regulations.

CLASSES AND DISTANCES

Races will be held for the following Racing Classes:



STANDARD BOATS

Class	Premier	Senior A 40+ (1)	Senior B 50+ (1)	Senior C 60+ (1)	Junior A & B (2)	Under 24 (3)	BCP	Para- Dragon
Open	200m	200m	200m	200m	N/A*	N/A*	N/A	200m
	500m	500m	500m	500m				500m
	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m				2000m
Women	200m	200m	200m	200m	N/A*	N/A*	200m	N/A
	500m	500m	500m	500m			500m	
	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m			2000m	
Mixed	200m	200m	200m	200m	200m	200m	N/A	N/A
	500m	500m	500m	500m	500m	500m		
	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m		

*The EDBF will reconsider other competition classes on specific request of Club Crews at Provisional Entry Stage.

SMALL BOATS

Class	Premier	Senior A 40+ (1)	Senior B 50+ (1)	Senior C 60+ (1)	Junior A & B (2)	Under 24 (3)	BCP	Para- Dragon
Open	200m	200m	200m	200m	200m	200m	N/A	200m
	500m	500m	500m	500m	500m	500m		500m
	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m		2000m
Women	200m	200m	200m	200m	200m	200m	200m	N/A
	500m	500m	500m	500m	500m	500m	500m	
	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m	
Mixed	200m	200m	200m	200m	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	500m	500m	500m	500m				
	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m				

- (1) **Senior A** - 40th or later birthday falls in the year of the competition (1979, 1978, 1977...).
Senior B - 50th or later birthday falls in the year of the competition (1969, 1968, 1967...).
Senior C - 60th or later birthday falls in the year of the competition (1959, 1958, 1957...).
- (2) **Junior A** - 13th to 18th birthday falls in the year of the competition.
(A competitor must have been born in the years 2001/2002/2003/2004/2005/2006).
Junior B - 13th to 16th birthday falls in the year of the competition.
(A competitor must have been born in the years 2003/2004/2005/2006).
- (3) **Under 24** - 13th to 23rd birthday falls in the year of the competition
(A competitor must have been born in the years 1996/1997/1998/1999/2000/2001/2002/2003/2004/2005/2006).
Note: up to two (2) Racers in a Standard Boat Competition and one (1) in a Small boat can be over 23, but under 26 (1994/1995) in the year of the competition. Note: By definition Drummers and Steerers are 'Racers'.

EUROPEAN DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION

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www.edbf.org



N.B. All the above are supplementary amendments to the EDBF Amendments to the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing as agreed at the EDBF Extra Ordinary Congress in November 2016.

AGE REGULATIONS

The Drummer in a Senior Crew and Helm/Steerer in a Junior Crew do not need to conform to the relevant age limits shown above.

Premier Classes – An athlete's 13th or later birthday must fall in the year of the competition. To clarify an athlete must be 12 years of age as a minimum and there is no maximum age limits.

AMENDMENTS TO RACING CLASSES AFTER PROVISIONAL ENTRY STAGE

Once we have reached the closing date for Provisional Entries, we will then review the number of entries in each class. Should there be insufficient entries, then:

- Junior A & Junior B will be combined to form ONE racing class known as Juniors.
- The Under 24 entries will be required to race in the Premier Open or Premier Women's class.

Any effected club crew will be advised accordingly by email at this stage.

OUTLINE PROGRAMME

This program is to assist teams with their planning, but is currently provisional and could change.

Monday, 22nd July 2019	Teams arrive and training in Seville.
Tuesday, 23rd July 2019	Teams arrive and training in Seville.
Wednesday, 24th July 2019	Teams arrive and training in Seville.
Thursday, 25th July 2019	Teams arrive and training in Seville. Morning EDBF Executive Committee and Council Meeting. Afternoon – Race Officials Meeting. Afternoon – Team Manager's Meeting 19.00 – Opening Ceremony
Friday 26th July 2019	2000m Racing Day – All Championship Classes.
Saturday, 27th July 2019	200m Racing Day – All Championship Classes.
Sunday, 28th July 2019	500m Racing Day – All Championship Classes. Evening – Celebration Party.
Monday, 29th July 2019	Morning EDBF Congress. Crews depart.

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ENTRY & DEADLINE DATES * MUST BE STRICTLY ADHERED TO*****

Entry Form	Action	Due Date
Provisional Entries*	Provisional Entries + €500 Admin Fee Deposit	6 th February 2019 (150 days before the event)
Confirmed Entries*	Confirmed entries + €50 per race distance	12 th May 2019 (75 days before the event)
Final Named Entries*	Named Entries + Entry Fee Balances + EDBF Registration Payment	26 th June 2019 (30 days before the event)

* Please note, any late payments will attract a surcharge of €250.00/EDBF Club Crew, so please ensure you meet the deadlines given. Three missed deadlines could mean an additional payment of €750.00.

PAYMENT DETAILS

A €500.00 deposit will be required per Club Crew with the Provisional Entry. The Organizing Committee will issue an invoice/receipt on request. This money is **NON REFUNDABLE** if your club crew cancels after the Provisional Entry deadline.

A €50 per race distance will be required before the Confirmed Entry deadline. (E.g.: Standard Open 200m/500m/2000m = 3 x €50 = €150). This money is **NON REFUNDABLE** if you cancel the race distance after the Confirmed Entry deadline. If you wish to enter a race distance after the Confirmed Entry deadline, this will be classed as a late payment and you will attract a surcharge of €250.00.

Please note, these additional charges have been introduced due to the large numbers of changes requested once the initial race programme has been produced. We are trying to ensure that unnecessary repeated work is limited and that the race programme is issued timely to everyone.

ON-LINE REGISTRATION

On-line registration is now open at the official EDBF Club Crew Championship website https://idbfchamps.org/login_edbf.php. Passwords to this system will now be issued directly by your National Governing Federation.

ENTRY/REGISTRATION FEE

There will be an Entry Fee of €65.00 + an EDBF Registration Fee of €20.00 per accredited person (€85.00 in total) for anyone travelling with the team, including athletes, coaches, managers and congress delegates. Both payments must be paid with the Named Entries which are due by 26th June 2019. The EDBF Registration Fee has to be transferred directly to the EDBF account and the Entry Fee directly to the organizer's account. See account details below.

For all Junior Competitors there will be a reduced Entry Fee of €30.00 + a reduced EDBF Registration Fee of €5.00 per accredited person (€35.00 in total); this has been implemented to try to increase participation in this competition class.

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It has been agreed that Supporters will now only need to pay a reduced Entry Fee of €18.00 per person + an EDBF Registration of €7.00 (around 28% of the Athlete Charge). The entry fee will entitle people to receive an accreditation card which makes it possible to enter the competition areas. The competition site (besides the boarding zone) will not be opened to the public.

ADMINISTRATION ENTRY FEES must be paid to:

Acct Name: AEDB

IBAN: ES57 0182 5121 0402 0240 1325

BIC: BBVAESMM

Ref: With Club Name and Country E.g. Thunder Dragons GER

EDBF REGISTRATION FEES must be paid to:

Acct Name: European Dragon Boat Federation

Ref: With Club Name and Country E.g. Thunder Dragons GER

*****The EDBF are changing Bank Accounts and are currently awaiting the new bank details, these will be posted on the EDBF website as soon as possible. Please DO NOT pay into the old account unless we instruct you.*****

ACCOMMODATION

Details on accommodation can be found on the official website www.ecccsevilla2019.com on the accommodation area or by contacting: ecccsevilla2019@viajeseci.es or by phoning +34 954 50 66 20.

COACH TRANSFERS

For information on coach transfers between airport and accommodation and to and from the race venue, please contact ecccsevilla2019@viajeseci.es.

MEALS

Further details will be available in Information Bulletin No. 2.

CELEBRATION PARTY

Further details will be available in Information Bulletin No. 2.

CLIMATE

The average day time temperature at this time of year for Seville is 34°C with generally no rain.

CURRENCY

The currency used in Spain is the Euro.

WEBSITE (Now live)

www.edbf.org

www.ecccsevilla2019.com

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