



## Multi-Lane Umpiring Panel

Terms of Reference

*Date approved by the Board: 2018*

### 1. Purpose

- 1.1. To provide advice and guidance aimed at maintaining the consistency and standard of Multi-lane Umpiring in England and Wales;
- 1.2. To assist in the preparation and training of British umpires for FISA Umpire Licence examinations.

### 2. Reporting

- 2.1. To the National Umpiring Committee on matters relating to Multi-lane umpiring in England and Wales, including the Multi-lane Umpiring Endorsement of British Rowing Umpire Licences;
- 2.2. To the Board when making recommendations for the nomination of British FISA umpires to the Olympic Games, World Championships and other international Competitions.

### 3. Membership – voting

- 3.1. The panel shall comprise a chair, secretary, the chair of the National Umpiring Committee and as many members as are agreed by the Board to fulfil the purpose. The membership of the panel shall not normally be more than eight.
- 3.2. Members of the panel shall be appointed by the Board on the recommendation of the Chair of the Multi-lane Umpiring Panel.
- 3.3. The National Umpiring Committee may make suggestions for members to the Chair of the Multi-lane Umpiring Panel and any such nominations will be agreed by a majority of the panel but must be approved by the Board.

### 4. Attendance – non-voting

- 4.1. The committee may invite temporary advisers in an ad-hoc capacity to assist with specific tasks for which the duration is, in principle, no more than two years, (non-voting).
- 4.2. The Chair of the Board, or nominee, may attend the meetings, (non-voting)

### 5. Functions

- 5.1. To advise the National Umpiring Committee on Multi-lane umpiring;
- 5.2. To prepare FISA Umpire candidates by assisting with their training and holding practice examinations;
- 5.3. To administer the Multi-lane Umpiring Endorsement of British Rowing umpires and to conduct examinations for Multi-lane candidates;
- 5.4. To improve the standard of Multi-lane umpiring by holding seminars from time to time to keep umpires informed of rules changes, guidelines on best practice and other information relevant to their role;
- 5.5. To recommend to the Board umpires for nomination by British Rowing to the Olympic Games, World Championships and other International Competitions;



- 5.6. To guide Regional Umpiring Committees on best practice for Multi-lane Umpiring Endorsement of licences and, where practicable, to monitor multi-lane umpiring at British Rowing Competitions;
- 5.7. To maintain a record of the international umpiring experience of British umpires who hold a FISA umpires licence.

## **6. Meetings**

- 6.1 The panel shall normally meet prior to the National Umpiring Committee or Board as appropriate.