FAQs

British Rowing Masters Championships 2024

Why have you banned Masters A rowers?
Masters A competitors are still welcome to compete at the Championships but in older age category crews. The number of A events we have run in recent years has been very small and this year the younger competitors have the opportunity to compete at the Senior Championships in July. The dropping of A category events also balances the divisions and will enable us to handicap events more easily at the older end of the age range especially in the women’s events.

Why have you banned 2 boat events?
Every year we have a number of crews who withdraw for perfectly understandable reasons and occasionally this impacts on a 2 boat event leaving the opponent with no race. This year if there are only 2 entries in any Championship category we will handicap them with an adjacent category.

Intermediate events

Are these limited to B, D and F crews?
Anyone can enter these events provided that

1. They meet the eligibility requirements with regards to previous wins, and
2. They meet the average age requirements.

A “B” event is not restricted solely to crews of average age 36 to 42 but any crew with an average age of 36+ is eligible to enter. Similarly, any crew of average age 50+ is eligible to enter a “D” event and any crew with an average age 65+ will be eligible to enter a “G” event.

All the events will then be banded according to ranking points provided that at least 3 crews race in each band.

Why are there limited categories for Intermediate rowers?
In consultation with the Masters Committee we have kept the non-championship events – now called Intermediate – the same as last year with the exception of not allowing A category crews to enter. The classifying of these events as B, D and G makes it clear that those are the applicable age limits for each event and that no handicaps will be offered.