





Welcome to the 2023 USRowing Summer National Championships!

USRowing and the Clermont County Visitors Bureau are proud to bring the 2023 USRowing Summer National Championships to Harsha Lake in Bethel, OH.

This event will include Youth/U17/U16 events on the first two days of racing and U23/Open events on the last two days of racing. Trials will not be included in this regatta.

Please read this packet completely as it includes information regarding entries, rules, events, qualification, eligibility, venue, and other information about the policies governing this regatta. All crews competing in the USRowing Summer National Championships are responsible for the information contained in this packet.

Be well and row fast,
USRowing

Note: Sections marked with an asterisk (*) have wording unique to the specific event.

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IMPORTANT DATES & SCHEDULE INFORMATION

Important Dates

June 23, 2023	First Day Regatta Central allows entry input for the regatta
July 5, 2023	Deadline to input entries for the regatta without paying late fees. Closing date for Regatta Central. Last day to scratch entries and receive a full refund of the entry fee.
July 6-16, 2023	Organizations scratching entries will be charged the entry fee
July 10, 2023	Event schedule published. Time Trial Order/Lane Draws Posted.
July 11, 2023	Coaches & Coxswains Meeting (virtual).
July 10-11, 2023	Late entry period
July 11, 2023	Deadline for lineup changes to be entered into RegattaCentral
July 13, 2023 @ 8:00 a.m.	Racing begins (estimated)

*Schedule Information

The regatta schedule will generally follow the schedule below. This outline is to assist teams with their planning but is tentative and subject to change.

[Click here](#) for a tentative schedule. Please note that this schedule assumes all events will run the full progression. This schedule will change once final entries are in.

Thursday: Youth, U17 & U16 events Time Trials / Semi Finals

Friday: Youth, U17 & U16 events Semi-Finals / Finals

Saturday: U23 & Open events Time Trials / Finals

Sunday: U23 & Open events Semi-Finals / Finals

*Coaches, Coxswains, and Blind Boat Meeting

Coaches and Coxswains Meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m ET. This meeting will take place virtually, via zoom. [Click here](#) for the link to register.

All competitors and coaches are responsible for all information given at this meeting. A recording will be posted to the website two days after the completion of the C&C meeting.

*Order of Events

The Youth/U17/U16 events will stay on Thursday/Friday and U23/Open events will stay on Saturday/Sunday

THURSDAY/FRIDAY EVENT LIST			
1	Women's U17 1x	17	Women's Youth 4-
2	Men's Youth 4x	18	Men's U17 1x
3	Women's U16 4+	19	Women's U17 2x
4	Women's Youth 2x	20	Men's Youth 2x
5	Men's U17 2x	21	Men's Youth 8+
6	Women's Youth 8+	22	Men's U17 4+
7	Men's Youth 4+	23	Women's Youth 4+
8	Women's U17 4+	24	Women's U17 8+
9	Men's U17 8+	25	Men's Youth 4-
10	Women's U17 4x	26	Women's Youth 4x
11	Men's Youth 1x	27	Men's U16 4+
12	Women's Youth 2-	28	Men's U17 4x
13	Men's U16 8+	29	Open Gender Youth 2x
14	Women's U16 8+	30	Men's/Women's/Mixed Youth Inclusion 2x
15	Men's Youth 2-	31	Men's/Women's Youth PR1/PR2 1x
16	Women's Youth 1x	32	Mixed PR2/PR3 2x
		33	Mixed PR3 4+
SATURDAY/SUNDAY EVENT LIST			
33	Men's Under 23 2x	61	Women's Ltwt 2-
34	Women's Under 23 2x	62	Women's Ltwt 4x
35	Men's Under 23 2-	63	Men's Ltwt 4x
36	Women's Under 23 2-	64	PR1 Men's/Women's 1x
37	Men's Under 23 Ltwt 1x	65	Mixed PR2/PR3 2x
38	Women's Under 23 Ltwt 1x	66	Mixed PR2/PR3 2x
39	Men's Under 23 Ltwt 2x	67	Mixed PR3 4+
40	Women's Under 23 Ltwt 2x	68	Women's 8+
41	Men's Under 23 Ltwt 2-	69	Men's 8+
42	Women's Under 23 Ltwt 2-	70	Women's 1x
43	Women's Under 23 4x	71	Men's 1x
44	Men's Under 23 4x	72	Women's 2-
45	Men's Under 23 Ltwt 4x	73	Men's 2-
46	Women's Under 23 Ltwt 4x	74	Women's 2x
47	Men's Under 23 8+	75	Men's 2x

48	Women's Under 23 8+	76	Women's Ltwt 2x
49	Men's Under 23 4+	77	Men's Ltwt 2x
50	Women's Under 23 4+	78	Women's 4-
51	Men's Under 23 Ltwt 4+	79	Men's 4-
52	Women's Under 23 Ltwt 4+	80	Women's Ltwt 4-
53	Men's Under 23 Ltwt 8+	81	Men's Ltwt 4-
54	Women's Under 23 4-	82	Women's 4+
55	Men's Under 23 4-	83	Men's 4+
56	Men's Under 23 1x	84	Women's Ltwt 4+
57	Women's Under 23 1x	85	Men's Ltwt 4+
58	Women's Ltwt 1x	86	Women's 4x
59	Men's Ltwt 1x	87	Men's 4x
60	Men's Ltwt 2-	88	Women's Ltwt 8+
		89	Men's Ltwt 8+

Open Gender Events

USRowing will offer an Open Gender 2x at all USRowing owned regattas.

The intention behind this event is to create space for nonbinary athletes to compete if they wish to do so outside of binary events. We expect that entire boats of men and women will race in their respective categories to preserve that intention. Athletes are encouraged to compete where they identify. At least half of the rowers in the boat must identify as non-binary.

*Inclement Weather Information

The Chief Referee and the Local Organizing Committee will work together to monitor the weather continuously during the regatta.

Should it be determined that schedule changes are necessary due to weather concerns, the following weather plan will be utilized:

Communication Plan

Weather-related schedule changes will be announced utilizing the following mediums:

- Announcement will be made on the public address system at the venue
- Online via RegattaCentral
- Via text message. More information on this will be provided closer to race day.

Crews are responsible for staying updated on all announced schedule changes.

Schedule Change Priority System

1. Delay racing either later the same day or to the next day, if time is available.
2. Begin racing earlier than previously announced. Announcement will be made no later than three (3) hours before racing or 9:00 p.m. the evening before in the case of morning racing.
3. Utilize a time-trial system for a round of the event.

4. Omit a round of the event. The composition of the next round will be determined on the basis of the results of those rounds that have been completed. If Grand Finals must be omitted, medals will be awarded based on the results of the last completed round of the event.
5. Run only events that have not had a previous racing round completed, if time allows.
6. Cancel regatta.

Under no circumstances will races be rescheduled for a date later than July 16, 2023.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

USRowing Membership

All U.S. based organizations must hold active organizational membership with USRowing. Organizations can join or renew at <https://membership.usrowing.org> or by contacting Member Services at (609) 751-0706.

Individual competitors must hold Championship Membership, have a signed waiver and member agreement on file digitally with USRowing, and all athletes age 18 or over must complete the SafeSport training called Abuse Prevention for Adult Athletes.

Individual competitors can join USRowing at <https://membership.usrowing.org/individual/join> or by contacting the Member Services at (609) 751-0700.

Competitors can renew an expired membership and/or check their current membership status by logging in to their member profile at <https://membership.usrowing.org/individual/login>.

To avoid delays at registration, teams should make sure all competitors have met these membership requirements prior to arriving at the event.

A current listing of your athletes, their member numbers, and expiration dates can be found on the online team roster through the USRowing Membership Portal at <https://membership.usrowing.org>.

International Competitors

International competitors must join USRowing as Basic - International members at no cost.

International crews will be allowed to progress through an event based on their finish.

If a crew entered by an international club or rowing federation, or an international unaffiliated single sculler, places first, second, or third in an event, it shall receive special gold, silver, or bronze medals memorializing the accomplishment, but the national championship medals and the designations and entitlements of national champion, shall be given only to domestic crews according to order of placement.

International crews are ineligible to receive team point trophies.

Volunteer Policy

USRowing is implementing a volunteer policy at all USRowing-owned events for the 2023 regatta season.

For every USRowing-owned championship regatta, every registered team will be required to provide at least one (1) volunteer to work one (1) 4-6 hour shift during the regatta.

Please [click here](#) to sign up for a volunteer shift at the USRowing Summer National Championships.

Please [click here](#) for the full USRowing Volunteer Policy.

SafeSport

Member safety and well-being are priorities for USRowing, and education is critical to prevent the harm that misconduct causes our members. In partnership with the U.S. Center for SafeSport, USRowing provides training on how to identify and prevent the various forms of misconduct. Effective January 1, 2023, all Relevant Adult Participants are required to take SafeSport training on an annual basis. If a relevant adult participant's SafeSport training is not completed prior to attending a regatta, the participant will not be allowed to participate.

As a member organization of the U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC), USRowing, its employees, contractors, volunteers, officials, board members, committee members and other designees, members and organizational members (collectively, "Participants") are required to comply with the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code of the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Movement.

As a registered participant in a USRowing event, you are required to adhere to the [USRowing Safe Sport Policy Manual](#) for the duration of the event. Additionally, reporting misconduct is vital to protecting athletes and preventing further incidents. Sexual Misconduct must be reported to the U.S. Center for SafeSport at <https://www.safesport.org/report-a-concern>. To report other forms of misconduct, including violations of the Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies, refer to the [reporting protocols, including how to report a violation](#).

IMPORTANT: All relevant adult participants (defined [here](#)) must complete SafeSport training and be in good standing by the lineup entry deadline. If this is not the case, the relevant adult participant will not be eligible to participate and will not be allowed to be on site.

Click [here](#) for the Athlete Safety Procedures for USRowing Event Organizers.

Click [here](#) for more information on Safe Sport.

Credentials

Credentials will be issued to a coach or team representative once registration is complete, membership and waiver information is verified, SafeSport training (if applicable) is complete and in good standing, and all fees are paid in full.

A coach or team representative may pick up the credentials for their team if all team members meet the above criteria and the organization's membership and regatta fees are paid in full. All team credentials must be picked up at the same time.

Athletes will be required to show credentials in order to pass through Control Commission and launch for racing sessions. Crews may not be able to launch without showing proper credentials.

Each athlete will receive one complimentary credential as part of their registration for the event. Any replacement credentials can be purchased for \$10 at the registration desk.

*Entry Information

Entries in each event will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

No paper entries will be accepted for this event. All entries must be made online at [RegattaCentral](#). Initial registration will be available until July 5, 2023. No refunds will be given once the initial registration period has ended.

All entry fees must be paid in full by July 5, 2023. After this date, unpaid entries will be considered late entries, and subject to the additional fees associated with such designation.

Crews representing an organization with an outstanding balance will not be allowed to compete until the balance is paid in full.

***Entry Fees**

All entry fees for the 2023 USRowing Summer National Championships can be found on RegattaCentral. Entry fees will be a per boat entry fee.

***Entry Limits**

There are no entry limits at the 2023 USRowing Summer National Championships.

***Late Entries**

Late entries will be accepted from July 10-11, 2023 on RegattaCentral. A late entry fee will be assessed to all late entries. Entries may be accepted in events where additional entries do not change the progression, or exceed any listed entry maximums.

Crew members for late entries must meet all membership and eligibility requirements, and payment must be made in full before a late entry may be placed into an event.

***Scratches**

Entries may be scratched without penalty until the end of the initial registration period on July 3, 2023.

Beginning July 4, 2023, no refunds will be given for entries that are scratched.

Scratches should be made on RegattaCentral until July 11, 2023. After this time, scratches must be made in person at the regatta site in order to avoid the additional “No Show Fee”.

An additional \$50 scratch fee will apply to all scratches made after RegattaCentral closes on May 18, 2023.

Any crew failing to submit a completed “Scratch Form” to the USRowing desk after USRowing one hour prior to the event race time, will also be subject to a \$100 “No Show Fee” along with any other applicable fees.

All fees are due at the time of the scratch. Crews from an organization with outstanding “Scratch” or “No Show” fees may be prevented from competing until outstanding fees are paid in full.

***Lineups and Lineup Changes**

All entries must include a full lineup of athletes to compete as part of that entry, at the time of registration on RegattaCentral.

The deadline for submitting the final identity of members of the crew for ALL entry lineups must be finalized by July 3, 2023

Any entry without lineups after the regular entry deadline will be treated as a late entry. Lineups with placeholder names such as “A. Rower” will be considered incomplete and will also be considered late entries. This means they are subject to “Late Entry” fees, and the entry restrictions associated with late entries. Along with the late entry fees, these crews may face an additional charge for printing corrected credentials on-site.

RegattaCentral will be re-opened to accept any last minute lineup changes until July 11 until 12 p.m. ET.

The deadline for lineup changes is one hour prior to the first race in the event. Any lineup changes needed after July 11, 2023 must be completed at the USRowing registration desk. Email lineup changes will not be accepted.

***On-Site Lineup Changes**

Any lineup change required from July 12-16, will be subject to a \$5 administrative fee for processing the request. Payment is due before a lineup change can be officially made

COMPETITION INFORMATION

*Eligibility

Athletes who meet the eligibility for the stated events are welcome to attend the 2023 USRowing Summer National Championships.

Definitions

- Open: Any competitor may enter an open event. There will be no status-changing events at the 2022 USRowing Summer National Championships.
- U23: A Competitor may compete in the U23 category until December 31 of the year of their 22nd birthday.
- Youth: A Youth is a Competitor who in the current calendar year does not attain the age of 19, or who in the current calendar year does not attain the age of 20 and has been continuously enrolled in secondary school as a full-time student seeking a diploma. A Competitor thus ceases to be a Youth after December 31 of the year of their 18th birthday (U19), or upon completion of the 12th grade of secondary school, having been a full-time student within the year of their 19th birthday (U20). Athletes older than U20 are never eligible to compete as Youth.
- U17: A competitor may compete in the U17 category until December 31 of the year of his or her 16th birthday.
- U16: A Competitor may compete in the U16 category until December 31 of the year of their 15th birthday.
- U15: A Competitor may compete in the U15 category until December 31 of the year of their 14th birthday.
- Women's Events: Events exclusively for athletes who identify as a woman at the start of the rowing season and/or those who are assigned as female at birth.
- Men's Events: Events exclusively for athletes who identify as a man at the start of the rowing season and/or those who are assigned as male at birth.
- Mixed: Boat entries in this category must consist of 50% athletes of any gender and 50% athletes assigned as female at birth.

Para and Adaptive Definitions

- **Inclusion:** A crew entered in the “Inclusion” event must be comprised of an equal mixture of Para/Adaptive and non-Para/Adaptive Rowers.
- **PR1:** A Competitor who has a US or International PR1 sport classification. ([International and US Classification information and deadlines can be found here](#))
- **PR2:** A Competitor who has a US or International PR2 sport classification. ([International and US Classification information and deadlines can be found here](#))
- **PR3 VI or PR3 PI (Visual Impairment or Physical Impairment):** A Competitor who has a US or International PR3 sport classification. ([International and US Classification information and deadlines can be found here](#))

Classification for Para Athletes

All Rowers racing in USRowing-owned Para Rowing Races shall be classified. New Para rowers who have not yet been classified must have the required FISA Medical documentation submitted at least 45 days prior to the event.

[International and US Classification information and deadlines can be found here](#)

Additional questions can be answered by contacting: Classification@USRowing.org

There will be no protests over any classified rower’s sport class designation during a U.S. regatta.

Rowers may compete in a more functional sport class than their assigned sport class but not in a less functional sport class. For example, a Rower classified as PR2 may compete in PR3 Events, but may not compete in PR1 Events.

Para Inclusion Events

The Inclusion category is open to crews composed of an equal mixture of classified Para Rowers and Non-Para Rowers.

In Inclusive events, the sport class requirement pertains only to the Para/Adaptive Rower.

At all times when on the water during practice, warm up, cool down, and competition from the opening day of the course until completion of the final Race of their competition, all Rowers who row in Para Rowing Races must row with the prescribed equipment, which must be used according to the boat and sport class. Equipment in this context refers to hull type, strapping and pontoons. Only PR1 and PR2 have such requirements. There are no equipment restrictions or requirements for PR3.

The Inclusive events are listed as a combined event. Crews consisting of men, women, or mixed lineups may enter. Races may be separated by category if the number of entries necessitates separation.

The P1/PR2 Men’s/Women’s 1x events are listed as a combined event. Men’s and women’s crews classified as PR1 or PR2 are eligible to enter. Races may be separated by category if the number of entries necessitates separation.

Affiliation

A competitor shall represent only one organization at a regatta.

Composite Entries

Crews made up of representatives from different clubs must be entered as composite crews.

The affiliation of each member of the crew must be submitted when the crew is registered.

Competitors are allowed to represent one organization at this regatta.

Composite crews are not required to wear matching uniforms, or have matching oar blade designs.

Composite crews are not eligible to earn points toward team point trophies.

RULES

USRowing’s 2023 Rules of Rowing will govern this event. An online version is available at <http://www.usrowing.org/rules-of-rowing/>

USRowing licensed referees will officiate the event to ensure fairness and safety.

The following rules will be waived for this event:

- Rule 3-104 Minimum Weight of Boats
- Rule 3.202 Oars, uniform throughout the crew

*Time Trial Procedures

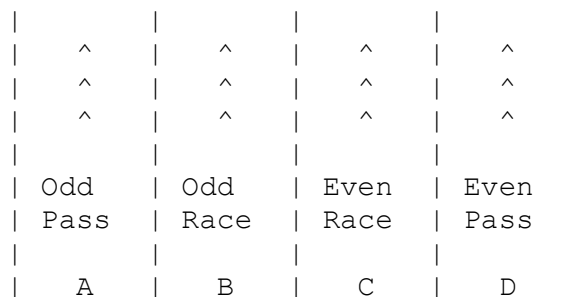
Time trials will be conducted over a 1,900-meter course.

A marshal will be positioned near the start to direct crews to enter the course. Crews are responsible for staying in numerical order, staying behind crews with lower numbers and in front of crews with higher numbers.

Crews are responsible for maintaining their proper order and distance. Crews failing to maintain their proper position may be delayed, moved to the end of the starting order, penalized, or excluded.

Crews will have approximately 100 meters to build up to race pace. A crew’s race time begins once their bow ball crosses the 1,900-meter start line.

Lane assignments will be assigned the week of the regatta to determine which lanes are the fastest. The racing lanes will be next to each other. Crews will yield to the outside lane. Please see the diagram below. If a crew does not yield to an oncoming boat, they may face exclusion.



There will be a 20-second gap between starting crews, resulting in a 40-second gap between crews in the same lane.

Bow Numbers

Bow numbers for time trial heats will be distributed to each crew with their athlete credentials during the on-site registration hours. Crews must collect their bow numbers from the USRowing registration desk before trying to launch for time trials.

***Passing**

A crew being overtaken must yield to the outside one lane to allow the overtaking crew to pass. The presumed penalty for failure to yield during a Time Trial shall be exclusion.

A crew is deemed to be overtaking another crew when it has moved to within one length of open water of the crew ahead.

Broken Equipment

A crew experiencing broken equipment during the race should move to the outside lane.

Seeding

The seeding for Time Trials will be done at random for the 2023 USRowing Summer National Championships.

Weigh-Ins

There **will not** be boat weigh-ins at the 2023 USRowing Summer National Championships.

There **will not** be athlete weigh-ins for Youth, U17 or U16 events.

There will be athlete weigh-ins for both coxswain and lightweight rowers in open and U23 events at the 2023 USRowing Summer National Championships.

Weigh-In Procedures

Athletes who need to weigh-in are only required to weigh in once per weekend. Athletes should come with a list of their events that they are competing in to their first weigh in so it can be marked throughout the regatta.

The weigh in window will be no more than two (2) hours before the athletes first race that they need to weigh in for, and no less the one (1) hour before their first race that they need to weigh in for.

Athletes should bring their own sand and materials if they need it to make weight.

Weigh-In weights for U23 and Open event athletes will follow the USRowing Rules of Rowing. (4-104.3 Lightweights and 4-105.1 Coxswain's Weight). You can find the exact rule on pages 36-27 of the [USRowing Rules of Rowing](#).

Unsportsmanlike Conduct

Unsportsmanlike conduct includes, but is not limited to, failure to heed the instructions of race officials, use of obscene language or gestures, delaying a race without just cause, intentional or flagrant disregard of principles of safety and fairness, or abusive behavior toward any official, team member, or spectator.

A crew that engages in unsportsmanlike conduct may be assessed a penalty by a race official.

Any team member, including a competitor, who engages in unsportsmanlike conduct, on or off of the water, at any time during the regatta, may have his or her further participation at the regatta curtailed or prohibited by a race official.

A crew may be subject to an "unsportsmanlike conduct" penalty if a person affiliated with their organization, including spectators and parents, engages in the use of an unapproved drone at the regatta venue. An "unsportsmanlike conduct" penalty issued for the use of a drone will carry a presumed penalty of "Disqualification".

If you or one of your athletes witnesses unsportsmanlike conduct of any kind, please refer to the USRowing Code of Conduct on how to escalate the matter.

*Progression

Entries	Time Trial	Advance	Semifinals	Advance	Final
1-6	-	-	-	-	Final Only
7-12	1	6	-	-	Grand Final
13-30	1	12	2	3	Grand Final
31+	1	18	3	2	Grand Final

Each crew is responsible for knowing the progression of their event.

Only Grand Finals will be run at the 2023 USRowing Summer National Championships.

Important: Once a boat has started the progression, it must race through as many stages of that progression for which it qualifies. Failure to race in a semifinal or final for which a boat qualifies may result in that team forfeiting the right to race in that event at the subsequent year's regatta.

Equipment

All equipment used in competition must meet the USRowing Rules of Rowing requirements for equipment, with the exception of the waived rule listed above. Each organization is responsible for ensuring that their equipment meets these standards.

USRowing will provide bow numbers, which will be given to crews as they pass through the Control Commission or at the USRowing registration desk.

Any equipment not meeting these standards, or judged to be unsafe by a USRowing official, will not be allowed onto the water.

Outside Assistance

Crews are reminded that they are not to receive outside assistance during a race except from the unaided voice.

Medals

Medals will be awarded to the first, second, and third-place finishers in each Grand Final.

*Team Point Trophies

Team point trophies will be awarded to the teams that earn the most points in men's and women's events, respectively.

Points shall be awarded as follows:

Boat Class	Points for 1 st Place in Grand Final
1x	10
2x, 2-	15
4+, 4-, 4x	20
8+	30

# Boats in Final	Percentage of 1 st				
	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
2	20%				
3	40%	20%			
4	60%	30%	5%		
5	80%	40%	10%	5%	
6+	80%	40%	20%	10%	5%

Composite crews and international crews are not eligible to earn points toward team point trophies.

Crews affiliated with USRowing Development Camps, Pre-Elite Camps, or similar entities are ineligible to receive team point trophies.

In order to be eligible for the Overall Team Points Trophy, the total points earned by an organization in the events of one gender shall not comprise less than 33% of the total points awarded. The Colgan Cup will be awarded at the overall 2023 USRowing Summer Nationals Champion.

VENUE INFORMATION

Venue

Harsha Lake, Bethel, Ohio.

3294 Elklick Rd., Bethel, OH 45106

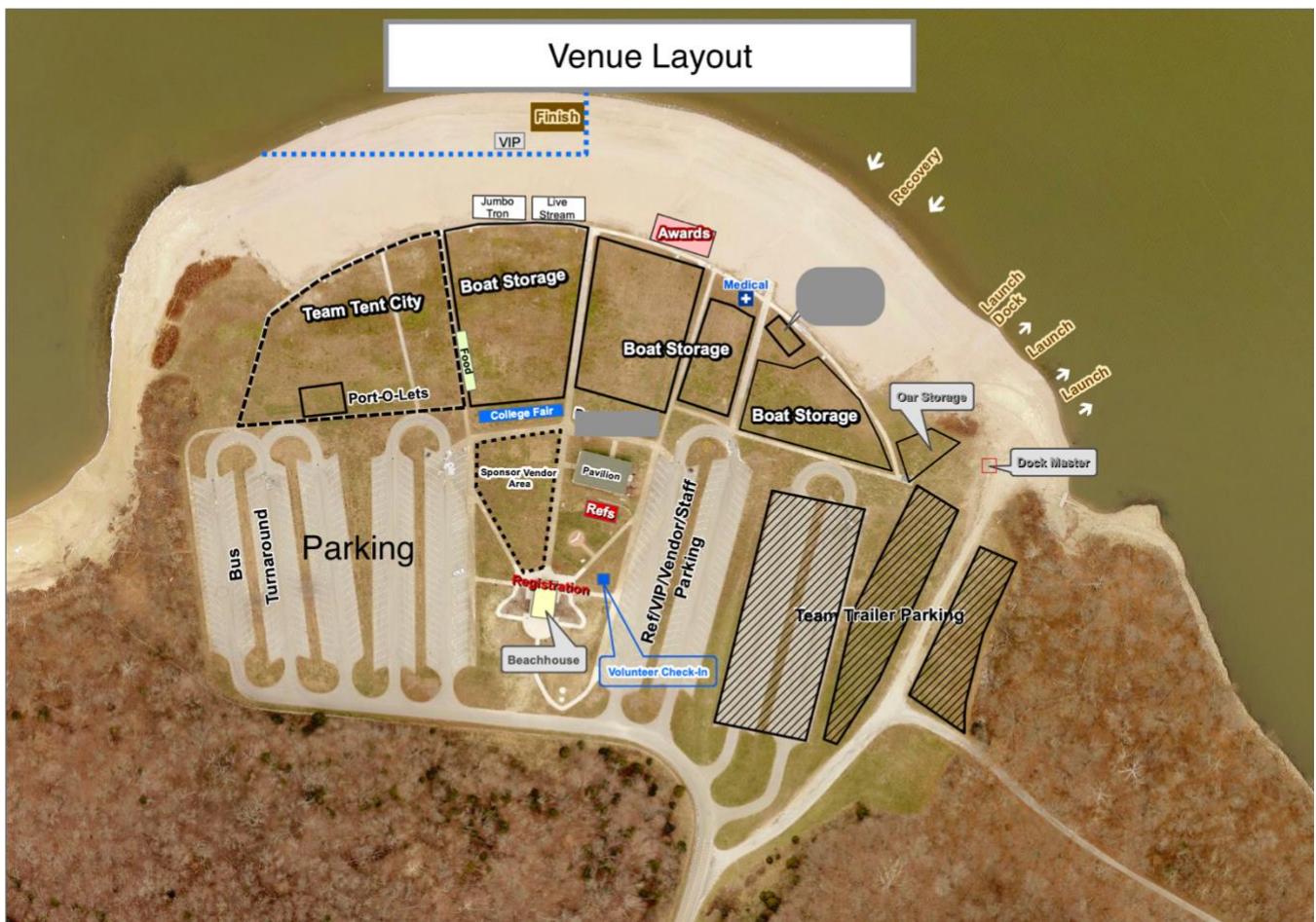
Course: The course is a 2,000 meter, six-lane, buoyed course with stakeboats.

Parking Information

Parking will be available at the venue on a first come first serve basis. This parking is intended for team vehicles and additional spectator parking. If parking fills up at the venue, there will be overflow lots that will have a shuttle running to the venue on a regular basis. There will be directional signage to the overflow lots.

Parking is complimentary to all vehicles.

Team tow vehicles are allowed to park next to their trailer.



Venue & Traffic Pattern Maps

Practice Day Traffic Pattern

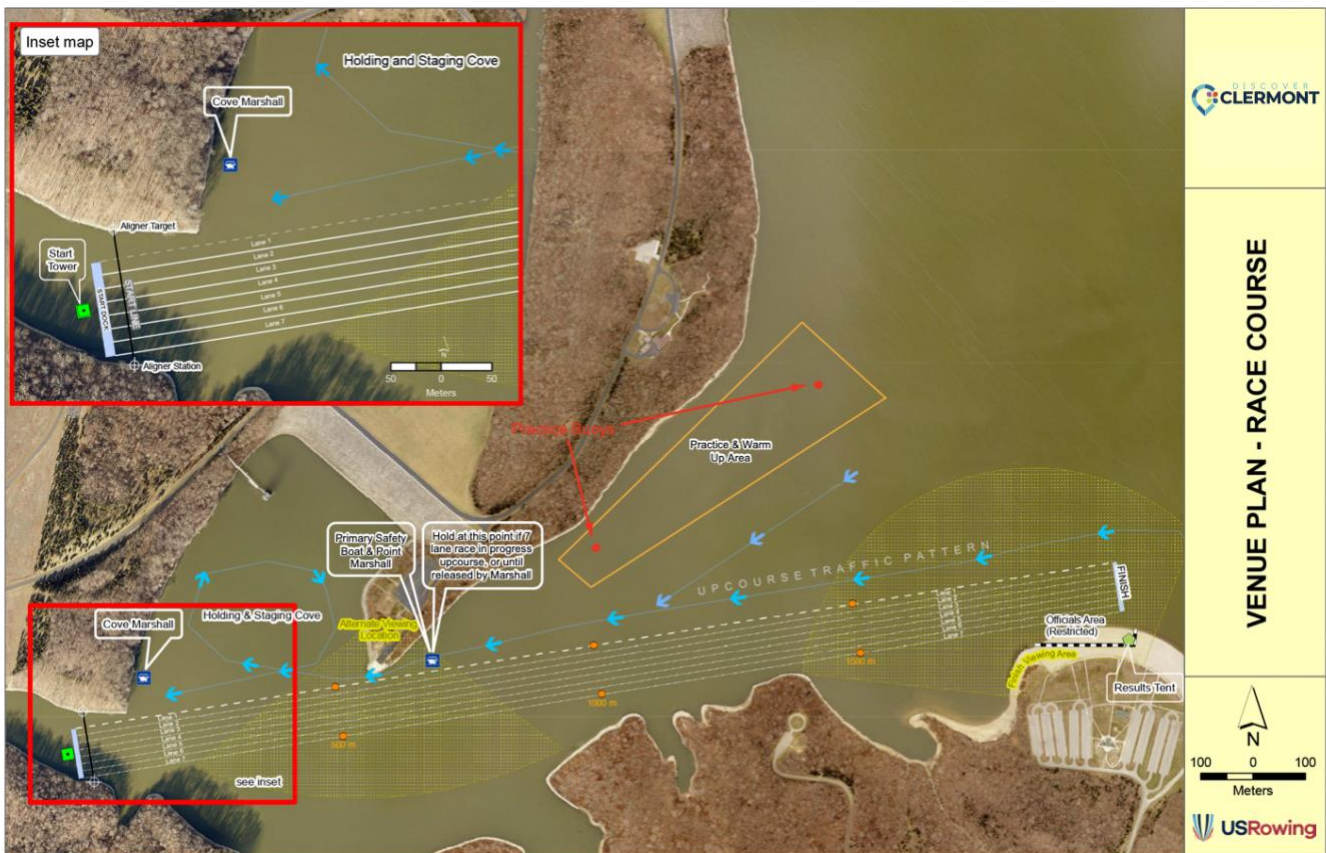


Time Trial Traffic Pattern



*Please note that the lanes used for time trials may be changed based off of conditions.

Race Day Traffic Pattern



Trailers and Boat Storage

Trailers are able to park on site at the venue starting on Wednesday, July 12 at 8:00 a.m. ET. If a trailer arrives earlier, you must park at the admissions building located on your right when entering the venue and keep your trailer there, or at another off-site location until trailer parking opens on July 12.

Team Tent Information

Teams are allowed to set up their own tents in the "Team Tent City" area. Tent rentals will not be available for teams. Team Tent spaces are available on a first come first serve basis.

Event Live Stream

The event live stream will be on the USRowing YouTube channel. Time trials will not be livestreamed, but all sprint racing will be. Please visit the [RegattaCentral](https://www.regattacentral.com) webpage for the live links.

PRACTICE INFORMATION

Practice

Practice will be available on Wednesday, July 12 from 1:00 – 6:00 p.m., with last launch at 5:30 p.m.

Practice will also be available from 5:45- 6:45 p.m. on July 14. Last launch is at 6:15 p.m.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Event Drone Policy

In accordance with USRowing's drone policy, anyone interested in utilizing a flying drone at the regatta venue must receive approval from USRowing and the Local Organizing Committee.

