

**DETAIL OF ALTERATIONS – 2018 RA RULES REVIEW - October 2018**

RULE NUMBER	OLD RULE	NEW RULE	Detail
7.3.2	Except as provided in this Rule, all rowers competing in the Interstate Events must row for the State of Territory through which they were first affiliated with RA through their Member Association in accordance with Article 7 of the Constitution.	Except as provided in this Rule, all rowers competing in the Interstate Events must row for the State of Territory through which they were first affiliated with RA through their Member Association.	Reference to Constitution removed as no longer relevant
32	Masters Age Categories: K Average age 85 years or more; L Average Age 90 years or more	Masters Age Categories: K: 83 years or more; L: 86 years or more; M: 89 years or more	Update to allow for older masters rowers.
By-Law to Rule 46.5	Principal Medical Officer— The Organising Committee shall appoint a person as the regatta Principal Medical Officer with specific responsibility for ensuring that appropriate medical support and facilities are readily accessible to the regatta. First aid facilities and a rescue service on the water must always be available, as specified in the RA Medical Services Provisions.	Principal Medical <b>Coordinator</b> — The Organising Committee shall appoint a person as the regatta Principal Medical <b>Coordinator</b> with specific responsibility for ensuring that appropriate <b>overall</b> medical support and facilities are readily accessible to the regatta. First aid facilities and a rescue service on the water must always be available, as specified in the RA Medical Services Provisions.	Change from Principal Medical Officer to Principal Medical Coordinator. That they are responsible for the overall medical support
By-Law to Rule 71.1	It is the duty of the Fairness Committee to determine that the weather has created, or is about to create unfair or unrowable conditions. It is then their responsibility to implement the appropriate program from the alternatives described below. In applying these alternatives, the Fairness Committee will always consider (1.1), (1.2) and (1.3) before considering (1.4) or (1.5).	It is the duty of the Fairness Committee to determine that the weather has created, or is about to create, <b>or is likely to create</b> unfair or unrowable conditions. It is then their responsibility to implement the appropriate program from the alternatives described below. In applying these alternatives, the Fairness Committee will always consider (1.1), (1.2) and (1.3) before considering (1.4) or (1.5).	Change in line with FISA
By-Law to Rule 72		Add: In the case of a Yellow Card applying to the next race of the penalised crew for which the crew is not yet on the water, the penalty shall in principle be announced verbally to the crew by the Jury member at the outgoing pontoon when the crew concerned boats for their race. It will also be announced by the Starter as part of the start procedure.  If a penalty is applied by a member of the jury, it shall be shown on the race result in the following form: DSQ – Disqualification; EXC – Exclusion; REL – Relegation.	Change in line with FISA and to reflect current practice.
Rule 74	The Starter shall inform the crews of their starting positions. They shall start the race when the crews are ready and when the Judge at the Start indicates that the crews are correctly aligned. The Judge at the Start alone shall decide if the boats are correctly aligned <b>and</b> if one or more crews have committed a false start.	The Starter shall inform the crews of their starting positions. They shall start the race when the crews are ready and when the Judge at the Start indicates that the crews are correctly aligned. The Judge at the Start alone shall decide if the boats are correctly aligned <b>or</b> if one or more crews have committed a false start.	Change of "and" to "or"
Rule 85	An appeal against a decision of the Board of the Jury may only be made by a person whose protest has been overturned by the Board of the Jury. The <b>protest</b> must be submitted in written form to the Board of RA on the same day as the decision being appealed, and not less than 60 minutes before the next round of the event concerned. If the decision of the Board of RA on the appeal changes the final result of the event then the official result shall be changed accordingly and, where the medal placings are affected, the medals shall be re-awarded as necessary in accordance with the decision. Decisions of the Board of RA under this rule are final.	An appeal against a decision of the Board of the Jury may only be made by a person whose protest has been overturned by the Board of the Jury. The <b>appeal</b> must be submitted in written form to the Board of RA on the same day as the decision being appealed, and not less than 60 minutes before the next round of the event concerned. If the decision of the Board of RA on the appeal changes the final result of the event then the official result shall be changed accordingly and, where the medal placings are affected, the medals shall be re-awarded as necessary in accordance with the decision. Decisions of the Board of RA under this rule are final.	Change from "protest" to "appeal"
Rule 91	The President of the Jury shall allot duties to each member of the Jury and shall supervise their activities. They shall take the chair at meetings and ensure proper coordination with the Technical Delegate and the Organising Committee. The President of the Jury shall chair the Board of the Jury under <b>Rule 85</b> .	The President of the Jury shall allot duties to each member of the Jury and shall supervise their activities. They shall take the chair at meetings and ensure proper coordination with the Technical Delegate and the Organising Committee. The President of the Jury shall chair the Board of the Jury under <b>Rule 93</b> .	update reference from Rule 85 to Rule 93
Rule 98.3	Position —In order to enable the officials in the finish tower to carry out their duties correctly, they must be seated one behind the other and one above the other along the projection of the finish line. As a general rule, there shall be at least two judges, one of them the senior judge, at the finish.	Position —As a general rule, there shall be at least two judges, one of them the senior judge, at the finish. They shall be positioned so as to enable them to carry out their responsibility to determine the finish order.	Change in line with FISA

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<b>Para Rowing Competition Regulations</b>			
PR Regulation 5		Add PR3 W2- and PR3 M2-	In line with FISA
PR Regulation 8	Strapping requirements removed except for those listed as the New Rule	<p>5.e.1. PR1 Strapping Requirements – PR1 rowers shall use a mandatory trunk strap which is for safety purpose only. This strap must be secured to the seat back and around the trunk. In addition to the mandatory trunk strap, rowers may use additional strapping. The design and placement of the seat and all straps must allow the lumbar region to be visible from the side during rowing. The straps must be attached to the seat on both sides. The rower's movement will be observed and assessed during rowing (training and racing).</p> <p>5.e.2 PR2 Strapping Requirements – Leg strapping is optional for PR2 rowers. The rower's movement will be observed and assessed during rowing (training and racing) by members of the RA Para Rowing Staff and the Umpires.</p>	In line with FISA
Reulgation 8	General Strapping Requiements reworded as the New Rule	<p>a) General Strapping Requirements</p> <p>a.1. Where used, all straps, whether optional or mandatory under these Regulations, must be a minimum width of 50mm, be of non-elastic material, be without mechanical buckles and must be able to be released immediately by the rower with a single quick hand action of pulling on the free end of the strap.</p> <p>a.2. The colour of all straps must be a contrasting colour from the rowers' racing uniform so that it can be clearly seen.</p> <p>a.3. All straps for each rower must be released in the same manner and direction.</p> <p>a.4. Any hand strapping must be able to be released immediately.</p> <p>a.5. Additional strapping may be used by any rower but must be in compliance with these Regulations.</p> <p>a.6. To avoid accidents arising from capsizing, all boats shall be equipped with stretchers or shoes that allow the rowers to get clear of the boat independently with the least possible delay.</p> <p>a.7. It is solely the responsibility of the rower to ensure that all strapping is compliant with these Regulations.</p>	In line with FISA
PR Regulation15	Starting Procedure for PR3	Starting Procedure for athletes with vision impairments	Clarification and logic adjustment
PR Regulation 17	Finish of the Race for PR3 Events	Finish of the Race for races with athletes with vision impairments	Clarification and logic adjustment