

Rules for the Rowing Champions League 2016

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1.1 General Information

In general, the rowing races of the Rowing Champions League (RCL) are covered by the FISA Rules of Racing.

The following points are additions and clarifications for the sprint races of the RCL.

1.2 Rowers' Clothing

All crews will be provided with racing shirts (New Wave).

These shirts have to be worn by the crews (identical clothing !) during the races.

1.3 Advertising

Two advertising stickers (20 x 80cm each) will be put onto each side of the boats by the RCL.

All remaining advertising areas are free for the use of the crews and their sponsors.

1.4 Crew Changes

Crew changes are the exchange of a rower after the first start of a crew on the day of racing of the RCL. A maximum of 12 rowers and 2 coxwains may start for a crew on the day. It is allowed to re-enter a rower into the crew.

Crew changes are not allowed between time trial and repechages, between the "last sixteen" and the quarterfinal, and between semi-finals and finals.

1.5 Dead Heat

In the case of a dead heat, the ranking of the crews after the time trial will decide the result of the dead heat. The faster crew of the time trial will be the better placed crew of this heat.

1.6 Interference during the Time Trial

If the umpire decides that a crew could not reach the finish line because of an interference by another crew, or ended up with a worse time because of the interference, this crew will be allowed to re-row the Time Trial (alone or with other crews). Equipment damages are not covered by this provision.

The crew causing the interference will be placed at the last place of the Time Trial.

1.7 Decisions

If the umpire has found a race irregular, the board of the jury has to decide about it within 30 minutes. An objection by a crew is not necessary in this case.

1.8 Objections and protests

Objections have to be made by a crew during the race, or immediately after it. They will be dealt with immediately by the board of the jury.

A crew whose objection has been rejected or who is affected by the outcome of the objection, or a crew who has been disqualified, may lodge a protest in writing not later than one hour after the decision about the objection has been communicated. This protest shall be accompanied by a deposit of EUR 150,-, which amount shall be refunded if the protest is allowed.

1.9 Penalty

In addition to rule 77 (interference) and rule 81 (penalties) of the FISA Rules of Racing, a crew which would have been disqualified will be placed in the last place of the heat in which the interference took place. The crew will be allowed to participate in the later races of the day according to the elimination system of the RCL.

In case of a rerow or a new start of this heat, the crew causing the interference will not be allowed to participate, but will be placed in the last place of the heat.