

## **Race Entry Conditions for the Henley Winter Series 2018/2019**

**1. THE COMPETITION:** The Henley Winter Series is a series of long distance races run during the winter months. Crews are invited to attend any number of races in the Series. There will a Trophy awarded to the first three crews in each race, and an overall winner of the Series. The Series is intended to provide a focus and social environment for Dragon Boat paddlers and other paddlers during the winter months. Any proceeds raised by the Series will help furnish and equip the Eyot Centre building and the clubs which use it.

**1. RACING RULES:** Full details of the course and race rules will be available on the day at the Crew Manager/Helms meeting, and from the Henley Dragons website at [www.henleydragons.online](http://www.henleydragons.online) / Facebook or can be obtained on request from [zlatka.larsen@gmail.com](mailto:zlatka.larsen@gmail.com).

**1. SAFETY AND EQUIPMENT:** All Crew Members must be water competent and able to swim at least 50 metres in race clothing. It is the Crew Managers responsibility to ensure that this limitation is complied with. No previous experience of Dragon Boat Racing is necessary to enter the Series but crews compete at their own risk. Buoyancy aids must be worn by all competitors and must be supplied by competitors themselves. Boats and all associated equipment must be supplied by participating clubs.

**1. OPEN RACE FORMAT:** The Henley Winter Series will be run as an OPEN event for the 2018 / 2019 series.

**1. NUMBER OF ENTRIES:** Entries will be accepted up to a maximum number of crews to be decided by Henley Dragon Boat Club. Fees will be accepted on a first come first served basis. Entries close seven days before each Series race and an entry is only secured by the payment of a £100 deposit. If paying by bank transfer an entry will be deemed to be received when clear proof of the deposit is received by the race organiser with the completed entry form – by post to the address below or via e-mail to [zlatka.larsen@gmail.com](mailto:zlatka.larsen@gmail.com) or Zlatka Larsen, 12 Willowmead Square, SL7 1HP, Marlow

**1. ENTRY FEES:** The Entry fee for each race for the 2018 /2019 series remains unchanged from the previous year and is £160 per Dragon Boat or £80 for a 10 man boat. Outrigger boats are £60. Full payment is preferred on entry which saves time on race day. However, at a minimum, a deposit of £100 (20-man) or £50 (10-man) is required to secure an entry at a race. A discount of £10 per boat is available to crews entering and paying **in full** for all four races in advance. Cheques should be payable to The Eyot Centre. Direct payments to: Lloyds Bank Sort code: 30 94 13 Account number 00249406. Please ensure your club name and the Event date is clearly referenced.

**1. EVENT CANCELLATION:** If a race is cancelled due to weather conditions/high water levels before the day, the entry fee will be refunded in full. If the race is cancelled for similar reasons on the race day, a refund of half the entry fee will be offered. The remainder of the entry fee will be retained by Henley Dragon Boat Club for costs incurred in setting up the event.

**1. ADDITIONAL COSTS:** £8.50 per boat which is not licensed on a UK waterways and £10 per boat that does not have affiliation to the BDA.

**1. HIRE OF BOATS:** Henley have 2 x 20 man boats and 1 x 10 man boat that can be hired out on a first come first served basis for each event. The cost of hiring the boats will be £100 for a 20 man boat and £50 for a 10 man boat.