NORTH ISLAND ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS - REGATTA SUMMARY		
Entries	Accepted from clubs, schools, and high-performance squads. Entries close at 8:00 am on Wednesday 17 January 2024	
Format	Heats: Saturday to Sunday Finals: Sunday to Monday Events will take place in the event order as published on rowIT.	
Info on Senior Coxless Fours and Quads - Coxed boats can be used	 We appreciate that access to coxless boats may be an issue for some Schools with Senior grade athletes who want to race fours and quads. Coxed skiffs may be used in Senior Coxless Quad and Four events. Either: Without a coxswain at all (we suggest you look into attaching foot steering if you are doing this); or With a coxswain, who will not be required to carry deadweight (for the purposes of the Rules, the crew is still considered to be coxless). No handicap will be given if the crew includes a coxswain. If you decide to use a coxed skiff in a coxless event, the minimum weight for coxless skiffs still applies to this event. 	
2nd Quads	These will run as exhibition events for 2024 with the following conditions: To enter crews into 2nd 4x+ your entity must have at least one crew entered in 1st 4x+. Exhibition events will not receive ceremonial medal presentations at the dais. Exhibition style medals for these events will be available to collect from the tower. The aims are: to encourage development of depth beyond one top crew per grade; to aid retention; to reduce the need for timed heats; to enable second crews to compete against other second crews. Coaches may opt to enter all crews into 1st 4x+ events if preferred.	
Entry Limits before Supplementaries	 Per rower: 3 events per rower and no more than 2 small boats per rower (excluding pairs) Per event (excluding Premier and Senior): Clubs: limited to 2 crews in singles and doubles events + 1 crew for each affiliated school not entering as a school Schools: limited to 1 crew in singles and doubles events 	
Supplementary Entries	Supplementary entries are only available to fill lanes that would otherwise be empty in the heats. They will open as soon as possible after the close of regular entries. While supplementary entries are open the above entry limits will be progressively lifted. Entry limits will be lifted on a schedule as advised by Regatta Control via email and on rowIT on the regatta Notices page. Supplementary entries will be charged the standard entry fees (not late entry fees).	
Scratched Entries	Crews scratched before 8:00am on Friday 26 January 2024 will not incur late scratching fees, and will be refunded their original entry fees.	
Composite Entries	Composite Crew entries require the approval of each Local Association with athletes from their region in the crew. This must be provided to regattacontrol@karapirorowing.com before the first race of the regatta.	

Guidance for making entries	Coaches should use the event order on rowIT to anticipate clashes before the draft schedule is published. When working out how far apart certain races might be, coaches should consider that heats for consecutive events could take place as little as 4 minutes apart if there is only one Preliminary Heat; similar applies if there are only A finals (no B final). It is highly recommended that each athlete's events are separated by at least 7 other races on every day they could race those events. Events which are 8 apart on a given day could be 8x4=32 minutes apart in a worst case (for example, 8 events with only A finals raced if petite finals (e.g., B Finals) are cancelled due to weather delays).
Progression	 Entries are to Finals only: 1- 8 entries: Preliminary Heats used (see below) 9-11 entries: two-round qualification system, Heats to A Finals only. 12+ entries: two-round qualification system, Heats to A and B Finals. Other minor finals may be raced at Regatta Control's discretion. Where there are more than 8 entries in an event, a two-round (Heats and Finals) qualification system will be used. Petite finals (B Finals and possibly even C Finals) may be raced at Regatta Control's discretion 49+ entries: Timed Heats will be used. Timed Heats are heats which are seeded and raced side-by-side as normal, but progression to finals is determined using times rather than placings. For example, if we receive 50 entries in the M Intermediate 2x competitors will race across 7 timed heats, and the crews with the 8 fastest times will progress to the A Final. To facilitate Rowing NZ selection, additional minor finals may be raced for the Premier 1x and 2- events.
Preliminary Heats	Regatta Control will expect you are racing a Preliminary Heat by default. If you wish to opt out, you must inform Regatta Control at least 60 minutes before the scheduled race start time. If you fail to inform Regatta Control, the crew will be deemed a Did Not Start (which attracts a DNS penalty fee). All crews, other than crews Excluded or Disqualified from the Preliminary, will race the final. Crews that do not place in the heats are randomly allocated to outer lanes. Where heats are running behind time, preliminary heats may be removed from the racing schedule. Where finals are running behind time or there is insufficient time to complete all finals, preliminary heats may be used to award medals.
Training when KRI has the lake booked	Supervised pre-regatta training will be available from 12:00-15:00 on Friday 26 January. This is subject to KRI having enough volunteers to supervise training. Entities may need to provide sufficiently experienced volunteers to assist.
Oversubscriptio n	Due to the Timed Heats progression option, events will not be considered oversubscribed.
	In the event that the regatta as a whole is oversubscribed, one or more of the following may occur: Preliminary Heats removed; supplementaries do not open; minor finals removed; or rejection of entries starting with lowest numbered crews.
Coxswain Weigh-In	Coxswains need to weigh in 1-2 hours before their first race of the regatta only; i.e., once for the whole regatta.
Boat Weighing	Scales will be provided for test weighing. Spot check weighing will take place.