



The University Championships of Ireland & Schools Regatta

UCC Rowing Club, c/o Office of Sport and Recreation, Mardyke Walk, Cork, Ireland

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The 2010 University Championships & Schools Regatta will take place on Saturday 10th April, on the 6-lane, 2000m course, with stake boat starts, at the National Rowing Centre, Farran Woods, Cork

Please note that the enclosed entry form with a column for student numbers **must** be used for the University Championships

ENTRIES

- All entries to done through Rowing Ireland Online Tracker System
- Student Cards and athlete status will be checked separately
- Closing date for entries: **Wednesday 31st March 2010 @ 7pm.**

No entries will be accepted after this time. There will be no exceptions.

- Championships and Schools regatta events will only be offered if there are 3 or more entries from 2 different Universities/ Schools

SCORING SYSTEM

University Championships

The scoring system will remain unchanged form last year (details below are as per last years prospectus)

Overall Championship

Since the early 1990's the University Championships of Ireland have been decided by which club wins either the senior eights / coxed fours for the male and female clubs respectively. However this has lead to a steady decline in entries and participation throughout the other boat disciplines, as clubs choose to concentrate on the larger boats for the championship, which is neither a true reflection of university rowing in Ireland and potentially alienates the smaller college clubs.

At the request of the University Rowing Committee at the 2007 Rowing Ireland AGM, options for an Overall Championship trophy and points system were incorporated within the 2008/09 Rules Review document and the following 'preferred option' was chosen by the clubs at the EGM in January 2009. This new system will offer a ranking for all participant clubs and now brings these championships in line with other European countries.

- a) The Scoring system for the Overall Irish University Championship shall be as follows: -

Overall Winner

Based on cumulative results across status and boat disciplines

Based on cumulative university results (i.e. DUBC & DULBC would combine points for overall university score when compared to NUIG & UCD etc.)

Male & female points will be combined to achieve overall university totals and once all points are collated the winning University will be announced with each Participant University or College receiving an overall ranking. (All scores will be published)

Points

	1st	2nd	3rd
Single Scull	3points	2points	1point
Double	4points	3points	2points
Four +/-	5points	4points	3points
Eight	6points	5points	4points

Boat Classes Offered

The Classes offered will be chosen by the University Rowing Committee annually but will be limited to 12 for each male & female event and, where possible, will reflect the Rowing Ireland National Championship boat classes.

Senior	8, 4-, 2x, 1x.
Intermediate	8, 4+, 2x, 1x
Novice	8, 4+, 2x, 1x,

In the event of an equality

The University or College amongst those still tying with the most wins will take the Championship.

In the event of a further equality

The University or College amongst those tying with the most wins at senior level will win the Championship

If there is still an equality

The Championship will go to the University / College which has been most successful in the largest Senior boat i.e. 8 or failing that, in the next largest boat in the following order of precedence 4+,2-,2x,1x. Intermediate crews, and then

Novice crews follow in the same order of precedence, if a result has still not been obtained

The Wylie Challenge Cup

The Scoring system for the Wylie Challenge Cup shall be as follows: -

The winning University or College in each case of the Men's Senior, Intermediate and Novice **eights** shall score a point.

In the event of a row over a point shall still be awarded.

The University or College scoring the highest number of points wins the Wylie Challenge Cup.

In the event of an equality of points the University or College which has been successful in the **Senior eight** will win the cup.

The Bank of Ireland Cup

The Scoring system for the Bank of Ireland Cup shall be as follows: -

The winning University or College in each case of the Women's Senior, Intermediate and Novice **eights** shall score a point.

In the event of a row over a point shall be awarded.

The University or College scoring the highest number of points wins the Bank of Ireland Cup.

In the event of an equality of points the University or College which has been successful in the **Senior eight** will win the cup.

Schools Regatta

- Medals will be presented to winning crews in all events
- A Victor Ludorum Trophy will be presented to the most successful school. The 6 highest scores, in both the men's and women's events will be counted. The scoring system will be 4 points for a win, 2 points for second place and 1 point for third place.

Events Offered

	Men				Women		
	Senior	J18	J16	J15	J18	J16	J15
8+	X	X	X		X		
4+			X				
4-	X						
4x+			X	X		X	X
4x-		X			X		
2x		X	X			X	
1x		X	X		X	X	

FEES

The following fees apply to both the University Championships and Schools Regatta:

8+	€60
4+/4-/4X	€30
2-/2x	€20
1x	€10

- Payment should be made to “University College Cork Rowing Club”.
- Student cards must be made available for inspection upon request. Any crew member or sculler that is unable to provide a valid student card or proof of studentship for inspection will not be allowed to slip and will be disqualified from racing.
- Racing will commence at 9:00am.
- Entry fees should accompany the entry
- The draw will be made on 1st April at 7:00pm at the National Rowing Centre
- The draw will be circulated to all competing clubs

ELIGIBILITY

(as per Council of University Sport administrators of Ireland, CUSAI & Rowing Ireland Rules)

1. A student must be fully registered and hold a student card for the third level institution with which they are internally registered and this student card should be available for inspection upon request
2. Undergraduate Students must be pursuing a course of study that is equivalent to 60 European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) credits per annum in Ireland or 120 UK Academic credits per annum in Northern Ireland or that leads to an award ranked at a minimum of Level 6 on the National Qualification Authority of Ireland (NQAI) Framework.
3. Part time Masters Students or Postgraduate Students must be studying for at least 50% of the time a full time student would be studying.
4. There is no age restriction for National Competitions.
5. Professional athletes must have the permission of their National Governing Body and where relevant their Student Governing Body to compete in competition alongside amateur competitors in that sport.
6. Irish University's & Colleges must be registered by the Central Council of the appropriate University or College and must be affiliated to CUSAI.
7. Where no Central Council exists confirmation from the Registrar of the University or College in question will suffice.
8. Academic progression must be shown, i.e. a student shall not be eligible to compete where they are registered for a course that is ranked by the NQAI at a level equivalent to or lower than two courses for which they have previously registered.
9. The academic year shall be defined as October to September. Students in any institution with an academic calendar not running concurrently with this will be eligible for the academic year during which they enter and any subsequent academic years depending on the ECTS value of their course.
10. A sabbatical Officer of a Student Union, i.e. a student who is intermitting a year or more during an undergraduate or postgraduate course of study, who has paid the appropriate Union subscription shall be eligible provided that the sabbatical is taken during their course of study.
11. A student may only compete for one institution in any one academic year.

Students may appeal any decision in relation to their eligibility to the Eligibility Committee. In order to do this a written appeal must be received by the CUSAI Office within one week of the original decision.

RULES OF THE REGATTA

- The regatta will be held under the rules of Rowing Ireland
- The regatta is a non-status event
- All members of a crew, including the cox, must be currently enrolled students at the same university / college
- Composite crews are not permitted
- No individual may represent more than one University / College, including coxes
- All competitors must be registered with Rowing Ireland in time to have the regatta entry forms properly completed
- Universities / Colleges not currently affiliated as a club with Rowing Ireland may apply for temporary affiliation by application to Rowing Ireland along with the relevant fee

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| a) Previously affiliated University / College | 250Euro |
| b) Previously unaffiliated University / College | 50 Euro |

- Crews may only be entered in events in their age category, or the category above. The Schools Regatta will **not accept entries from crews less than the J15 age group in any event**
- All competitors must be registered with Rowing Ireland in time to have the regatta entry properly completed.
- Schools not currently affiliated as a Club with Rowing Ireland may apply for temporary affiliation by application to the Rowing Ireland office at info@iaru.ie along with a fee of 50 euro
- All boats to be fitted with an Empacher slot as lane numbers will be used
- All boats and equipment must comply with current Rowing Ireland safety requirements. Checks will be made by Rowing Ireland officials prior to launching. Boats failing to comply will not be allowed to launch.
- The organising committee reserves the right to cancel an event; or withdraw crews from the Regatta who may endanger the safety of themselves or of other crews, or disrupt the Regatta
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- Events may have to be withdrawn to allow racing to be held within the University Championships schedule

SAFETY NOTICE

- Please refer to attached safety statement
- Please note there is a circulation pattern in place for the NRC attached

2010 University Championships PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

Time	Event	Event	Heat/Final
0900	University	M Inter 1X	Heat
0910	University	W Inter 2X	Final
920	School	M 2X	Final
930	School	M J16 4X+	Final
940	University	WS 1X	Final
950	School	W J16 1X	Final
1000	School	W J18 4X-	Final
1010	University	M Novice 8+	Heat
1020	University	M Senior 8+	Heat
1030	School	M J16 1X	Heat
1040	School	M S4-	Final
1050	University	M Inter 2X	Heat
1100	University	W Novice 4+	Heat
1110	University	M Novice 4+	Heat
1120	School	WJ18 8+	Final
1130	University	M Senior 1X	Heat
1140	School	W J15 4X+	Final
1150	School	M1X	Final
1200	School	W J16 2X	Final
1210	University	W Novice 1X	Final
1220	University	M Inter 4+	Heat
1230	University	W Senior 2X	Final
1240	University	M Senior 2X	Final
1250	School	M J16 8+	Final
1300	School	M J16 2X	Final
1310	School	M J18 4X-	Final
1320	University	M Inter 1X	Semi
1330	University	W Novice 8+	Final
1340	University	M Novice 8+	Final
1350	University	W Senior 4-	Final
1400	University	M Senior 4-	Final
1410	University	M Inter 2X	Final
1420	University	W Novice 2X	Final
1430	School	MJ18 8+	Final
1440	School	MJ15 4X+	Final
1450	University	M Novice 2X	Final
1500	University	W Inter 8+	Final
1510	University	M Inter 8+	Final
1520	School	M J16 1X	Final
1530	University	M Senior 1X	Final
1540	University	W Novice 4+	Final
1550	University	M Novice 4+	Final
1600	University	W Inter 1X	Final
1610	University	M Inter 1X	Final
1620	School	MJ18 1X	Final
1630	School	MJ16 4+	Final
1640	University	W Inter 4+	Final

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1700	School	WJ16 4X+	Final
1710	School	W J18 1X	Final
1720	University	M Novice 1X	Final
1730	School	M 8+	Final
1740	University	W Senior 8+	Final
1750	University	M Senior 8+	Final

2010 PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- 1) This timetable has been based on the 2009 regatta entries and should be used as a guide for potential crew & boat doubling up
- 2) Any events marked as straight finals have been based on the entries from the 2009 entries. Therefore if more than 6 crews enter these events heats will be raced at the scheduled time and at the scheduled time plus 5 minutes, with the final raced at a time to be confirmed once all entries are received.
- 3) The Schools regatta will be held in conjunction with the university championships and events have been incorporated as per 2009 entries
- 4) For junior events races must be a minimum of 40 minutes apart, therefore the timetable may have to alter slightly to accommodate this requirement.
- 5) The draw order will be made once entries have closed
- 6) Declarations will then be made at least 90mins before time of race to regatta secretary's caravan, with any scratched crews removed from the draw and racing lanes allocated to the remainder crews, in accordance to the original draw order.
- 7) A final timetable will be published once entries have closed and the draw has taken place.
- 8) If highlighted before racing commences, all attempts will be made to accommodate both crew and equipment doubling up, however **it is done at the risk of the university club** and the university committee undertakes no responsibility if the crews are late to the start.

REMINDER OF UNIVERSITY CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

Eligibility to row in the National Championships in a specific grade determines eligibility to row in the same year, in the same grade at the University Championship Regatta provided always that no person who has already won a University Intermediate or Novice Championship may compete at the same or a lower level in subsequent University Championships.

Participants in the Regatta should be in a position to prove their eligibility if reasonably challenged to do so by an official of the University Rowing Committee or Organising Committee.

All third level education colleges shall be eligible to compete in the University Championships

Additional Points

1) Novice Rowing

- Confined to individuals who have accumulated less than one and a half status wins at Regattas in any of the following classes:-
Senior, Intermediate, Novice, Lightweight, Junior 18 A , Junior 18 B, or Junior 16
- Novice rowing is restricted to those who have been registered for three seasons or less with Rowing Ireland or another Federation affiliated to FISA.
- Registration as a coxswain from 2009 does not utilise one of the three seasons at novice.
- An individual qualified as Novice may compete at this grade until the 31st December of the year in which he/she reaches one and a half status wins.
- An Individual who has won any Senior, Lightweight, Intermediate, Novice or Junior Irish Championship may not compete at the Novice Class.
- An individual who has competed in a FISA Open or Lightweight World Championship Olympic Regatta , world cup regatta, coupe de la jeunesse or home international in either discipline may not compete at this grade.
- Competitors who have reached senior status in one discipline (rowing or sculling) may not compete at novice level in the other discipline.

2) There will not be a separate Intermediate I & II championship

3) Valid student cards must be shown and checked prior to any receipt of medals of trophies

4) Valid Rowing Ireland registration cards must be shown and checked prior to any receipt of medals of trophies

5) Over night security will be provided (Fri – 15) Trailers should be parked on the top bank close to the N.R.C. This will facilitate over-night monitoring.

6) No parking will be allowed in front of the N.R.C building. A turning circle is required for boats.

7) A one way system will be in place. The two launching pontoons nearest the course are incoming (returning crews), the other, outgoing (launching).

8) Please play your part in keeping your environment rubbish free. A refuse sack will be attached to all trailers for your convenience.

9) Visitors requiring priority access contact Steve Hayes on 0879023216 prior to the event.

We look forward to seeing you on the day.

Yours in rowing,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Billy Ryan', is written over a horizontal line.

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UNIVERSITY CHAMPIONSHIPS OF IRELAND 2010

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IRISH SCHOOLS REGATTA 2010

Safety Statement

The University Championships of Ireland and the Irish schools Regatta will be run in accordance with Rowing Ireland's Safety Guidelines for regattas, together with all relevant aspects of the Water Safety Code. The organizers are mindful of their duty of care.

Clubs, competitors, and coaches are reminded of their responsibility as set out in the Water Safety Code, having special regard to hull integrity, bow ball, and heel restraints. Safety checks will be carried out before launching.

Coxswains must wear suitable buoyancy aids.

Crews are responsible for assessing weather conditions and deciding whether to boat or not.

Umpires' launches carry rescue equipment. In the event of an incident the oarspersons should stay with the boat and not attempt to swim ashore. Instructions from the rescue personnel must be obeyed.

A medical officer, first aid and ambulance personnel are available and can be contacted at the First Aid point beside the National Rowing Centre.

A map of the course and emergency numbers will be on display in the National Rowing Centre