

England Team for the Home International Regatta 2017

Selection Policy

England Senior Team Selection, Sunday 9 July 2017
England Junior Team Selection, Sunday 16 July 2017
Home International Match, Saturday 22 July 2017

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Introduction

The Home International Regatta (HIR) is a team event with points awarded according to finish position in each race. Each match has a winner; Junior Men, Junior Women, Senior Men and Senior Women, with an overall winner for the whole event.

The Home International Regatta comprises events in the following boat classes:

Juniors Men and Women	Seniors Men and Women	Para Rowers Men and Women
2-, 4-, 4+, 1x, 2x, 4x, 8+	2-, 4-, 4+, 1x, 2x, 4x, 8+, Lightweight 2-, 1x, 2x	AS or TA 1x
Team size Junior Men and Women	Team size Senior Men and Women	Team size Para Men and Women
Maximum 17 rowers and 2 coxswains	Maximum 19 rowers and 2 coxswains. Rowers in the 4x and 8+ must previously have raced in another boat class	1 Women and 1 Man (2 rowers)

The Regatta will take place on Saturday 22 July 2017 at Strathclyde Park. All races will be over 2000m.

A full team will be selected for this event.

Eligibility for England Team Selection

Every competitor must be qualified by one or more of the following conditions:

- Having been born in England.
- Having a parent or grandparent born in England.
- Having resided for not less than six consecutive months in England, and having been a member of a rowing club therein during that time.
- If an athlete lives in one Home Country, and rows for a club in another Home Country and has competed for that club for more than the previous six months, that athlete may opt once to row for either country.
- Juniors shall conform to the following definition: ○ 'A Junior oarsman/oarswoman is one who has not attained the age of 18 years before 1 September of the calendar year preceding the year of competition.
- No athlete may row/scull for a country in the Match if he/she has rowed/sculled for another country in the HIR the previous year.
- Clubs may combine to form composite crews.
- All Para-Rowers must be classified to either national or FISA level.

All rowers must agree to adhere to British Rowing's Code of Conduct for Racing and will be subject to British Rowing disciplinary rules from the time of selection to the end of the HIR.

As well as satisfying the eligibility criteria, all rowers for the England Team must be a member of a British Rowing, Welsh Rowing or Scottish Rowing club, hold a racing license and their registration number must be included on the entry form.

Selection trials

Selectors: There are three selectors who will be responsible for each part of team selection. There will be a selector designated for the Junior HIR team, a selector designated for the Senior HIR Team, and a selector designated for the Para-Rowing events. The Director of Pathway Development will ensure the process is followed and deal with any issues that may arise. There will be a Lead Coach for the England Junior Team and one for the Seniors, including the Para-Rowers.

Junior Team

The 2017 England Junior Team will be selected either at the British Rowing Championships on Sunday 16 July or through GBRT Junior Crew Formation (6-10 July). The crews will need to complete and return a **registration form by noon on Friday 7 July** and only crews eligible to complete for England will be considered. Rowers attending GBRT Junior Crew Formation will register as individuals for England Team selection. Athletes who wish to represent England must race at the British Rowing Junior Championships and any athletes pre-selected for the England 4+ may not race at the Championships in other crews wishing to be selected.

Coxes: Up to 2 Junior coxes may be selected for both JW and JM teams by the Lead Coach for the England Junior Team and the England Team Manager.

Boat Class	Selection Process
2-, 4-, 1x, 2x, 4x	The highest ranked boat from the British Rowing Junior Championships in that boat class, who are registered, and are eligible to represent England.
4+, 8+	The 4+ boats will be selected after GBRT Junior Crew Formation from the highest ranked rowers eligible to represent England and not in the GB Rowing Teams for the World Rowing Junior Championships or the Coupe de la Jeunesse. The 8+ will be formed from the 4+ and the next fastest combination of four athletes most suitable for the 8+. An additional cox may be selected from the British Rowing Junior Championships to cox the junior 8+. In the event of a lack of rowers to fill these places then they will also be selected at the British Rowing Junior Championships. The selection of crews and coxes for the HIR England Team is at the discretion of the Selector for the Junior HIR Team and all crews will be finalised at the British Rowing Junior Championships.

Note: Selected crews and their coaches must attend a short meeting with the Team Manager for the Home International Regatta outlining important information about the event and logistics.

Junior Team requirements:

CRC: All coaches who accompany crews to the Match must have a valid enhanced Criminal Records Check (CRC) through British Rowing with an issue date of 23 July 2014 or later. The England Team Manager will be in possession of the most up-to-date list of coaches who fulfil this criterion and the name of the coach on the entry form will be crosschecked with British Rowing's records. It is expected that any coach who is involved in coaching Juniors will already have an Enhanced CRC check through British Rowing. If for some reason this is not the case then one will need to be applied for ASAP. Further details can be obtained by contacting the Lead Safeguarding Officer at British Rowing at Iso@britishrowing.org.

Parental Consent/Good Conduct Form: All parents will be required to read and complete the Parental Consent/Good Conduct Form. Rowers must also sign the form. This form must be submitted at the Registration for the England Team at the British Rowing Junior Championships.

Rowers or coaches who cannot provide the correct documentation on arrival at the England Junior Team Trials cannot be considered for selection into the England Team for the Home International Match.

Senior Team

The 2017 England Senior Team will be selected by a trial held at the Redgrave Pinsent Rowing Lake, Caversham, Reading, on Sunday 9 July.

Registration for the event will be by noon Wednesday 5 July. On the day of the trials the coach or their representative must confirm that the crew intend to race. Registration will open at 11:00 and there will be a briefing for all the crews at 11:30. The first race will take place at 13:30.

Weather permitting, the races will be held over 1500m. In the case of only one entry into the event the crew will be expected to complete a 1500m time trial.

Coxes: Coxes who wish to be selected must attend the trial on Sunday 9 July 2017.

Boat Class	Selection Process
M1x, M2x, M2-, M4-, M4+ W1x, W2x, W2-, W4-, W4+ LM1x, LM2x, LM2-, LW1x, LW2x, LW2-	The first past the post at the trials in Caversham on 9 July 2017 or crews with a higher % of Gold Standard Time in their event may be asked to change boat types by the Senior Team Selector.
W4x, W8+, M4x, M8+	These boats will be made up of a combination of rowers (sweep and scullers) who have already raced in smaller boats in the regatta.
M AS/TA 1x, W AS/TA 1x	The first past the post at the trials in Caversham on 9 July 2017. As the TA and AS boats are different speeds the fastest crew will be calculated as being the highest % of Gold Standard Time. Times are available from the Team Manager.

Note: Selected crews and their coaches must attend a short meeting with the Team Manager for the Home International Regatta outlining important information about the Regatta and the expectations of the team before departing from Caversham.

Match Rules of Racing

The Match will be run under FISA rules, with the exception of any variations specifically referred to in these rules.

Coxswains and Lightweights: The 2017 FISA rules apply.

Weighing-in: All coxes and lightweights must weigh-in 2 hours before the start of the regatta (by 9am).

Note: Coaches are advised to check in advance the heel restraints and other safety features on their boats, as failure to be fully compliant with the British Rowing Row Safe guidance will result in the crew not being allowed to race.

Anti-Doping policy

All rowers, coaches and support staff are bound by the UK Anti-Doping Rules as adopted by British Rowing. For further information please visit <https://www.britishrowing.org/aboutus/governance/anti-doping/> or <http://www.ukad.org.uk/>.

Making entries

All entries should be completed on the official entry forms which are attached.

All completed entry forms should be sent back to this email address by the registration date.

Email: tm.hir@britishrowing.org

Juniors:

Entries by noon on Friday 7 July. Please complete the relevant entry form and supply the necessary information (as detailed above) to the Team Manager at the British Rowing Junior Championships or GBRT Junior Crew Formation.

Seniors:

There will be an entry fee of £15.00 per seat (excluding coxes). Cheques should be made payable to 'British Rowing Ltd'. Payment should be made at the Caversham Registration.

Closing date for entries: NOON – Wednesday 5 July 2017

Acknowledgement of your entry will be made by email. Please take note of the specific formats required for each section of the entry form. Please ensure you complete the entry form in full, including your email address. Please also ensure that you complete the box at the bottom of the Entry Form, acknowledging that you understand the requirements regarding the following:

All Rowers Eligibility:	Rowers only
Junior Coaches:	CRC
Junior Rowers and Parents:	Parental Consent/Good Conduct Form signed by parent and rower
Senior Rowers and Coaches:	Good Conduct Form