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Summary of Participation (as of 3rd July 2026)

standard boat	open			women			mixed		
	200	500	2000	200	500	2000	200	500	2000
premier	29 (8)	29 (8)	29 (9)	21 (8)	21 (8)	21 (8)	31 (9)	31 (9)	30 (10)
senior A	8 (6)	8 (6)	8 (6)	6 (4)	6 (4)	6 (4)	21 (10)	20 (9)	21 (10)
senior B	8 (6)	8 (6)	8 (6)	10 (4)	10 (4)	10 (4)	15 (7)	15 (7)	15 (7)
senior C	5 (4)	5 (4)	5 (4)	4 (2)	4 (2)	4 (2)	8 (4)	8 (4)	8 (4)
24u	5 (2)	5 (2)	5 (2)	3 (2)	4 (2)	3 (2)	9 (4)	8 (3)	10 (5)
18u	3 (3)	3 (3)	3 (3)	–	–	–	7 (3)	7 (3)	7 (3)
16u	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
BCP				2 (1)	2 (1)	2 (1)			
ACP	2 (1)	2 (1)	2 (1)						
PD-1	1 (1)	1 (1)	1 (1)						
PD-2	4 (4)	4 (4)	4 (4)						

small boat	open			women			mixed		
	200	500	2000	200	500	2000	200	500	2000
premier	16 (12)	16 (12)	15 (11)	21 (14)	21 (14)	20 (13)	21 (15)	21 (15)	20 (14)
senior A	19 (13)	18 (13)	17 (13)	15 (11)	16 (11)	15 (11)	20 (15)	21 (16)	17 (13)
senior B	14 (10)	14 (10)	11 (9)	9 (6)	9 (6)	9 (6)	15 (9)	15 (9)	14 (8)
senior C	11 (7)	11 (7)	11 (7)	9 (6)	9 (6)	9 (6)	10 (7)	10 (7)	10 (7)
24u	8 (7)	6 (5)	7 (6)	7 (5)	6 (4)	6 (4)	7 (6)	6 (5)	7 (5)
18u	6 (3)	6 (3)	6 (3)	9 (5)	9 (5)	9 (5)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)
16u	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
BCP				5 (5)	4 (4)	5 (5)			
ACP	1 (1)	1 (1)	1 (1)						
PD-1	2 (2)	2 (2)	2 (2)						
PD-2	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)						

(numbers in brackets shows number of countries)

Championships Program

The current program daily is shown below (subject to changes). Bulletin 4 will provide more detailed information.

	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
	28th	29th	30th	31st	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
Teams arrive											
IRO G1 training											
Paradragon classification											
Teams registration / training											
Opening ceremony											
Racing days					500m		200m		2000m		
Closing ceremony											
Celebration party											
Congress (TBC)											

Quick Date/Time overview - more details in bulletin

Team Registration

- Saturday, 29th August from 11:00 am to 3:30 pm
- Sunday, 30 August from 8:30 am to 3:45 pm
- Monday, 31 August from 8:15 am to 12:00 pm

Team Trainings

- Saturday, 29th August from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (Lunch break at 12pm, last slot at 4pm)
- Sunday, 30 August from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (Lunch break at 12pm, last slot at 4pm)
- Monday, 31 August from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (last slot at 11am)

Team Manager's Meeting

- Monday, 31 August from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
- Dining Area, Race Venue

Opening Parade & Ceremony

- Monday, 31 August from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm
- Sunrise Boulevard, Hualien City Center

Provisional Race Program

Standard and Small boats of respective classes may be running back-to-back. Example, crews in the standard Premier mixed **should not** be entered in the small Premier mixed when filling up Crew Lists.

1st Sept, Tue Day 1	2nd Sept, Wed Day 2	3rd Sept, Thu Day 3	4th Sept, Fri Day 4	5th Sept, Sat Day 5	6th Sept, Sun Day 6
500m		**200m**		**2000m**	
Premier mixed	Snr A mixed	Premier mixed	Snr A mixed	Premier mixed	Snr A mixed
Snr B mixed	Snr C mixed	Snr B mixed	Snr C mixed	Snr B mixed	Snr C mixed
18U Mixed	24U/Uni mixed	18U Mixed	24U/Uni mixed	18U Mixed	24U/Uni mixed
Snr A open	Premier open	Snr A open	Premier open	Snr A open	Premier open
Snr A women	Premier women	Snr A women	Premier women	Snr A women	Premier women
Snr C open	Snr B open	Snr C open	Snr B open	Snr C open	Snr B open
Snr C women	Snr B women	Snr C women	Snr B women	Snr C women	Snr B women
24U/Uni open	18U Open	24U/Uni open	18U Open	24U/Uni open	18U Open
24U/Uni women	18U Women	24U/Uni women	18U Women	24U/Uni women	18U Women
PD2	PD1	PD2	PD1	PD2	PD1
	BCP / ACP		BCP / ACP		BCP / ACP

2000m Race Presentation

The IDBF Competition & Technical Commission (C&TC) will be conducting an online presentation on the 2000m Racing Rules. This session will provide a general overview of the race format and cover the fundamental principles of 2000m racing. Our objective is to help teams better understand the event and equip all with the knowledge and confidence to participate safely, effectively and in accordance with the Racing Rules.

While the invitation will be sent to Team Managers, we strongly encourage Steerspersons/Helmsmen to attend as well. Their role is pivotal to the safe and successful execution of the 2000m race, and we believe they will benefit greatly from the session.

Date: Sunday, 2 August 2026
Time: 12:00pm – 1:00pm UTC
Platform: Zoom

A Zoom link will be emailed to all Team Managers a few days before the session. The presentation will be recorded, and the recording will be shared with all Team Managers afterwards for those who are unable to attend or wish to revisit the content.

Chief Official's Online Meet & Greet

Our Chief Officials would like to conduct an online meeting to outline key expectations and help establish a shared understanding before everyone arrives in Hualien. By covering these matters in advance, we hope to make the on-site Team Managers' Meeting more efficient, allowing greater focus and more time for the respective department heads to present their operational updates.

Date: Saturday, 8 August 2026
Time: 11:00am – 12:00pm UTC
Platform: Zoom

A Zoom link will be emailed to all Team Managers a few days before the meeting. We strongly encourage all Team Managers to attend and take the opportunity to engage directly with the Chief Officials ahead of the Championships.

Team Registration

The IDBF registration office will be in the "Hexagon building" at the race venue, opened only on:

- Saturday, 29th August from 11:00 am to 3:30 pm
- Sunday, 30 August from 8:30 am to 3:45 pm
- Monday, 31 August from 8:15 am to 12:00 pm

Teams must book their registration appointment time via idbfchamps.org. Log-in and click **MENU > REGISTRATION BOOKING**. Bookings are essential. Teams who do not book a registration slot will be required to wait until staff are able to process them.

The online registration will open from **20th July 2026, 12:00pm UTC** to book slots with the IDBF.
(to verify the current UTC time use https://time.is/UTC.

The schedule is available publicly at https://idbfchamps.org/registrationBooking.php?event_id=75

The CTDBA Administration Office will operate daily throughout the Championships at the same place.

Team Manager's Meeting

The Team Managers' Meeting will take place in person at the race site on **Monday, 31st August 2026 at 1:00 p.m**. at the "Dining Area" at the Race Venue. Estimated to end by 3:00 pm. Due to limited space, only come along with 2 representatives from each club.

Crews Training

Crew Official Training sessions bookings are to be completed electronically on the online registration site: https://idbfchamps.org. Log-in and click **MENU** > **TRAININGS BOOKING** (note this button may not be visible until just before bookings open).

- The online booking will open from **20th July 2026, 12:00pm UTC** to book training sessions (to verify the current UTC time use https://time.is/UTC)

- Official Training sessions in both standard and small boats are available:
    - Saturday, 29th August from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (Lunch break at 12pm, last slot at 4pm)
    - Sunday, 30 August from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (Lunch break at 12pm, last slot at 4pm)
    - Monday, 31 August from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (last slot at 11am)
- The length of one session is 60 minutes maximum (including loading and unloading time)
- Every crew will have up to 2 slots to book.
- Crews can gather at marshalling to prepare boarding 10 mins before their allotted training sessions.
- Regardless of the time of boarding, the finish time will always be per the booking schedule.
- The schedule is available publicly at https://idbfchamps.org/TrainingsBookingShow.php?event_id=75
- Should the Organising Committee, in consultation with the IDBF, deem it necessary and the conditions allow, additional practices may be added.
- There is a video (made a few years ago) explaining the booking process. It's available at: https://idbfchamps.org/mediaplayer.php?source=idbf-booking-trainings-1.20.mp4
- The 'cup' starting system may be available to crews on both days

Boats

For these Championships, the boat pool will comprise of 25 Standard Racing Dragon Boats from Peisheng BuK, and 25 Small Racing Dragon Boats from Peisheng, all conforming to IDBF specifications. Only boats from this official boat pool will be permitted for use during the Championships.

Boats will not be equipped with any PA system, clubs requiring audio communication equipment should bring their own devices.

Crew List

All crew lists showing the competitors and reserves who will be racing in a particular competition class should be submitted by the team leader or crew manager to the Race Administration at the race site,

as early as possible. However, Team Managers are required to submit crew lists to Race Administration by the close of play the day before the event commences.

Once racing commences, requests for changes to crew lists will only be accepted if they relate to a medical condition and the change has been agreed by the Chief Officials. Team managers are reminded that Crew Lists provide for 'reserves,' so a temporary absence of a participant should ordinarily be covered by one of the nominated reserves.

Crew lists must be printed; handwritten crew lists will not be accepted. It is recommended that crew lists are generated from the IDBF online database so that PIN numbers and QR codes are automatically included (the latter to assist Boat Marshals). This facility is available after team named lists have been entered online at https://idbfchamps.org/.

Race Administration will have a printer and computer available for those teams wishing to print their crew lists at the venue. However, this facility will be 'first come, first served' and failure to submit a crew list on time because of a queue for the computer and printer will not be considered a valid excuse.

Please be aware that the registration system for preparing crew lists does not include the rules of the crew composition. It is the responsibility of the team manager to ensure that each crew complies with the relevant rules.

Fit to Race: You are reminded that when signing the crew list, the person signing confirms with the Chief Official that all the competitors shown on the list are fit to race. This statement covers not just the physical ability of the competitors to undertake the race concerned but it also means that the signatory is confirming that there are no known medical reasons why those listed should not compete during the whole period of the Championships.

IDBF Registration Fees

The IDBF registration fee for competitors, coaches and officials is US$50 for those aged 25 and over and US$25 for those aged 24 and under regardless of the competition class the person is competing in.

The **IDBF treasurer will provide an invoice for this payment,** which will contain the bank details.

Please note the timelines:

- Named entries closed on 30 June 2026 (meaning registering all attendees in the RMS)
- Invoices will be sent out between 10-15 July 2026
- Payment due by 1 August 2026

IDBF will not refund registration fees for registered attendees who cancel after the payment of the invoice. It is the responsibility of the participating member to ensure the full amount shown on the IDBF invoice is received by the IDBF. The IDBF will send an updated invoice once the money is received, and this invoice will show any outstanding fees. Any bank fees remain the responsibility of the participating member, and these can be paid in cash in US dollars at the time of registration. The registration fee is the only money payable to the IDBF; all other Event fees are payable to the Organising Committee. Accreditation cards permitting participation in the Championships will only be issued once full payment of all monies owed to IDBF have been received.

Paddle Check Station (Pilot Programme)

For over 35 years, the IDBF Paddle Licensing Programme has helped ensure fair and consistent equipment standards in dragon boat racing.

As the sport has grown, so too has the number of paddle manufacturers and licensed paddle models. Feedback received in recent years indicates that some paddles currently in circulation may differ from the original designs approved by the IDBF, while some manufacturers may no longer be participating in the current licensing programme.

To protect fair competition, support compliant manufacturers, and strengthen the integrity of the IDBF Paddle Licensing Programme, the 2026 World Championships in Hualien will serve as the pilot implementation of the IDBF Paddle Check Station.

This initiative is intended to:

- Verify paddle compliance with the current IDBF Paddle Specification.
- Validate paddle license markings and license numbers.
- Confirm that licensed manufacturers remain in good standing with the IDBF.
- Educate paddlers, team managers, and manufacturers on paddle compliance requirements.
- Gather feedback for future implementation at IDBF Championships.

The Paddle Check Station shall be operating from training days starting at 0900hrs till the final day/race of the championships.

Paddles that do not fulfil the criteria set above, may result in not having it approved for use at the championships.

To know further how the process will be implemented for the paddle checks, please refer to this document: https://bit.ly/3R0Ttsj

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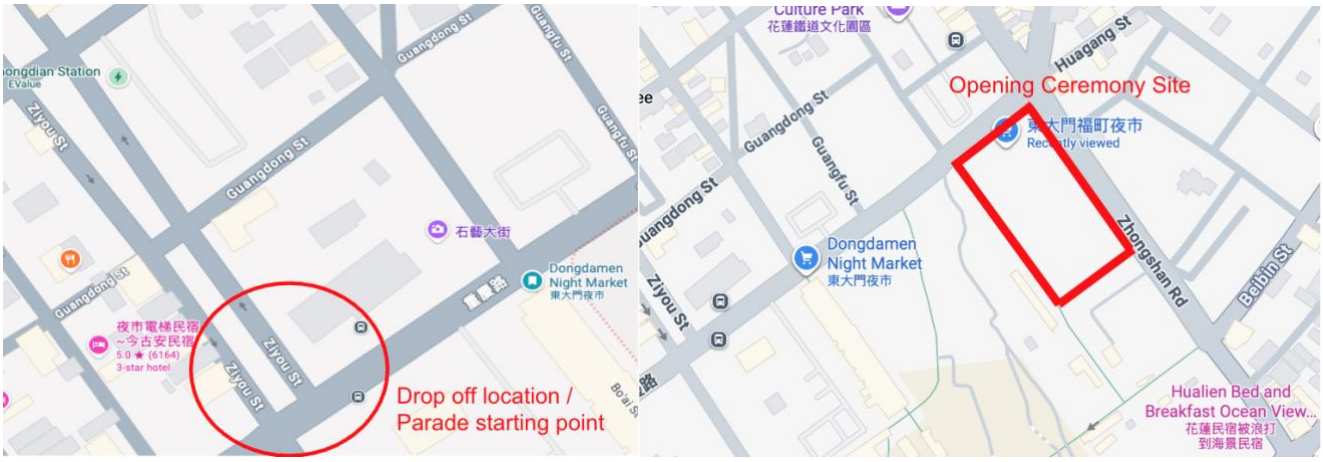
Opening Parade & Ceremony

The Opening Parade will gather all clubs at Sunrise Boulevard and start at 17:30 pm on 31 August 2026, bringing together clubs from around the world in a vibrant celebration of dragon boat spirit. All clubs are warmly invited to dress in your club's uniform, showcase your club identity and club spirit, and march together in this memorable opening celebration. Following the parade, the Opening Ceremony will begin at 18:30 pm at the Hualien City Sixth Redevelopment Zone, officially kicking off the championships.



Closing Ceremony & After Party

After the last 2000m races on 6 September 2026, the Closing Ceremony of the 15th IDBF Dragon Boat Club Crew World Championships will take place at the main stage of Liyu Lake. Entrance to the After Party will be free for all participants holding a CCWC2026 accreditation card, coupons valued at NTD 300 will be distributed to coaches, team managers and athletes at the Closing Ceremony. The After Party is planned to be combined with a street food festival, featuring a variety of food stalls and beverage vendors.

Further details regarding the Closing Ceremony and After Party will be announced on the Official Website.

Link for the Official Website: https://2026ccwc.hlc.edu.tw/Module/Home/Index.php?Language=TW

Deadlines & Dates to Note

Requirement	Deadline
Final team names submission - *against which all Event fees will be charged*	30 June 2026
IDBF Registration Fee invoices sent to Clubs	Completed
Visa Application Assistance	20 July 2026
IDBF Registration Fee invoice payment	1 August 2026

Drones

Drones are not permitted to be flown at the venue by all participants and spectators under any Circumstances.

Parking

Free parking areas will be available near the venue for participants and spectators. In addition, a paid parking area will also be provided for those requiring closer and more convenient access to the race venue.

Due to the large number of participants, the paid parking area will be limited to 100 parking spaces only. And each club may apply for one parking space only.

Parking Fee:
USD 10 per day *Payment shall be made upon team registration.

To apply for a parking space and arrange payment, please complete the following form:
https://forms.gle/wkzfmBuisTpFpwhN6

Vest Numbers

Every crew member must wear a unique vest number when racing. The vest number must be in the range 01 to 26 (for standard boat crews) and between 01 to 14 for small boat crews. Each individual's vest number must correspond to their place on the submitted crew list.

The vest number shall be enclosed in a box of a minimum length of 210mm and depth of 150mm. Each numeral shall be of a size that will fit into a box of a minimum size of 100mm tall and 60mm wide. (See the IDBF Competition Regulation CR9.9.2 for full details).

The Organising Committee can, if requested, provide vest numbers for purchase by pre-ordering. Team Managers will be able to collect their pre-ordered racing numbers when they register at the Registration Office. Orders for Racing Vest Numbers must be submitted before **31st July 2026**.

Costs: Standard set 01-26 – **USD 30**, Small set (01 to 14) **USD 20**. Payment by cash or bank transfer. To pre-order Racing Vest Numbers (race number bibs), please complete the pre-order request via the designated form and indicate the Club name, boat type, number of sets required. Payment shall be made upon team registration.

Vest Numbers Pre-order >> https://forms.gle/hyDWh1ZpKquuARzJ9

Meals

Food, drinks, and meal catering will be available at the race venue.
Should your team require meal catering services, please complete the form through the link below.
https://forms.gle/23brnTQCGV4bpvB47

Drinking Water

There will be water dispensers across the venue where water bottles can be refilled free of charge. Crews are advised to bring their own water bottles for this purpose.

Tents

Clubs will be provided dedicated space within a shared, unfurnished tent area. Club locations within the shared tent will be assigned once the race schedule and entries have been finalized.

For those teams wishing to have more space for their participants, Private Tents are available for rent for the Championships and Training days.

Crews are advised to reach out to ctdragonboat@gmail.com to enquire about availability before securing and making payment directly to the Chinese Taipei Dragon Boat Association.

Discounted Rental Rates
Each Private Tent is **6m x 6m** and comes **inclusive of 4 tables and 20 chairs**.

Rental Duration	**Discounted Rate**
1 Day	USD 200 per day
2 Days	USD 180 per day
3 Days and more	USD 150 per day

Payment Details:
Overseas Remittance Bank Details:
Account with Bank: Taiwan Cooperative Bank
SWIFT Code: TACBTWTPXXX
Beneficiary's Account Name: CHINESE TAIPEI DRAGON BOAT ASSOCIATION
Beneficiary's Account Number: 5333717533353

Beneficiary's Telephone Number and Address:
Tel: +886-3-8560972
No. 260, Guangming St., Xindian Dist., New Taipei City 231, Taiwan (R.O.C.)

Payment Deadline: June 30, 2026 (subject to availability)
*Please send a copy of the payment to ctdragonboat@gmail.com with detailed info of your transfer account.

For safety reasons, personal tents are not allowed on the premises.

Visa Application Assistance

Participants are advised to check Taiwan's visa requirements in advance.

If you determine that you require a visa and need support with obtaining an E-code for Taiwan eVisa application, please contact the Organizing Committee at 2026ccwc@hlc.edu.tw no later than 20 July 2026.

Due to processing timelines, requests received after this deadline may not be accepted.

Media Accreditation

Please read the Media Pass Accreditation Guidelines and submit your request for a media pass to: Belinda Chung, Chair IDBF Marketing & Media Commission at chair-marketing@dragonboat.sport. Closing date is Friday 12 August 2026. All accredited media pass holders must follow safety instructions from Race Officials and respect restricted areas.

Livestreaming

The livestreaming link and updates will be shared in Bulletin 4. Beware of online live streaming scams. For official information, always check the IDBF website.

Official Social Media Channels for CCWC 2026 and Scam Alert

The official social media channels for CCWC 2026 are:

- IDBF Official Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/idbf.dragonboat.sport/
- IDBF Official Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/idbf.dragonboat.sport/
- IDBF Official website: https://www.dragonboat.sport

Beware of Fake Accounts

Fake pages and profiles impersonating the IDBF or CCWC 2026 Hualien have been reported. These accounts may share misleading information, send friend requests, or invite you to unofficial groups.

- The IDBF is an organization, not a person, it will never send friend requests.
- The IDBF will never invite you to a closed Facebook group for this event.
- Even if a friend or family member is already in a group, it does not mean the group is legitimate.

Travel & Sightseeing in Hualien

Teams and participants are also welcome to explore other attractions and sightseeing areas in Hualien during your stay.

For more travel information, please visit the official tourism website through the link below.
https://hualien.travel/sport/en

Insurance

The 15th IDBF Club Crew World Championships (CCWC) is covered by public liability insurance, accident insurance, and fire insurance. Participants requiring additional insurance coverage are advised to arrange their own insurance accordingly.

IDBF IRO Grade 1 & 2 Training/Exam

IRO Grade 1 Course
Date: 29–30 August 2026 (Saturday & Sunday)
Time: 0900–1800 hrs
Venue: Liyu Lake Race Site, Sports Centre Conference Room
Eligibility: Open to all candidates with National Federation endorsement
Capacity: Limited to 20 students
Course Fee: USD60 per person

Students who successfully graduate from the Grade 1 Course are encouraged to remain for the duration of the Championships and undertake an understudy programme with the current IRO team.

All expenses relating to travel, accommodation and meals shall be borne by the participant.

Grade 1 Application Link: <CLICK HERE>

IRO Grade 2 Course
Date: 3 or 4 September 2026 (Thursday or Friday) – exact date to be confirmed
Duration: 1-day training and examination
Time: 0900–1500 hrs
Venue: Liyu Lake Race Site, Sports Centre “Glass” Room
Eligibility: Open to all candidates with National Federation endorsement who meet the Grade 2 eligibility requirements. IROs attending the Championships are encouraged to apply.
Capacity: Limited to 20 students
Course Fee: No fee required

Students who successfully graduate from the Grade 2 Course are encouraged to remain for the duration of the Championships and undertake an understudy programme with the current IRO team.

All expenses relating to travel, accommodation and meals shall be borne by the participant.

Grade 2 Application Link: <CLICK HERE>

Alternatively, please reach out to the ROS Team at ros-team@idbf.org for more information.

CONTACTS

Championships Website	https://2026ccwc.hlc.edu.tw
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APPENDIX 1 - **Reminder - Anti-Doping Requirements**

Don't leave it to do in Hualien!

Completion of an appropriate anti-doping course by **31st July 2026** is mandatory for all **Premier, Senior A, Senior B, Senior C, 24U, 18U and Paradragons** racing classes (not age) athletes plus ALL coaches competing in the CCWC 2026 to receive their accreditation.

Those Premier athletes who currently have an ILA course certificate that is **valid** until 8th September 2026 or later are eligible for registration.
Those athletes who currently have an ILA course certificate that is **valid** until 8th September 2026 or later, **but** are to compete in the Senior A, B, C or 24U are already eligible for registration.
Those coaches who currently have a High-Performance Coach certificate that is **valid** until 8th September 2026 or later are already eligible for registration.

Should the certificate of **any athlete or coach** expire **before** 8th September 2026 a refresher course or equivalent course to this year's racing class must be completed. Once the refresher or new course is completed and a certificate is issued, please forward this to your team manager.

Team Managers please ensure your team members complete the appropriate anti-doping course and that you have a copy of each athlete's Anti-Doping Course certificate. Certificates should be in electronic files and ordered in racing class for easy retrieval for random checks.

Random checks will be made from 31st July 2026

ADEL certificate files DO NOT need to be sent to IDBF. The Team Manager must hold them.

NEW

Premier Athlete submission to: **tue@ita.sport** by 30th July 2026 to ensure sufficient time for processing. Please download the TUE Application Form (found on https://ita.sport/TUE), and once duly completed and signed, send it together with the required medical documents using this online form.

All other athletes' submissions in the first instance to their National Anti-Doping Organization (NADO) to ensure sufficient time for processing. by 30th July 2026.

Declarations 1 and 2

The information for Declaration 1 and 2 has been sent out in separate communications. If any team manager has not received this, please contact chair-medical@dragonboat.sport