

BURTON LEANDER & TRENT ROWING CLUBS

The Burton Head Competitors Instructions

The event

The event is run under British Rowing (BR) Rules of Racing and Row Safe guidelines.

Parking

- a. Parking is available on the right hand side of Stapenhill Road (when viewing from the Rowing Clubs), above Burton Leander RC.
- b. Additional parking is available in a car park near the church, on Newton Road and at Meadowside Leisure centre.
- c. The area outside the clubs is being limited to trailer unloading and trailer parking only. Marshals will be on hand to assist with unloading, manoeuvring and parking of trailers and directing competitors to available parking areas.
- d. Stapenhill Road can be a busy road and marshalls will be available to help particularly when carrying equipment.

Registration

All crews must register and collect numbers from Registration at Burton Leander RC before 09.30hrs (Div 1) and 12.30hrs (Div 2).

Numbers will have boating time and start marshalling location printed on the reverse.

The Race committee reserves the right to weigh coxes if considered necessary.

Marshalling

Landing stages at both clubs will be used;

Crews may be asked to carry out safety checks on bow balls, heel restraints, boat flotation/hatches, steering and coxes buoyancy aids overseen by the umpire. Unsafe boats will not be allowed to boat until fixed.

When proceeding to the start, keep to the Stapenhill bank (stroke side).

Practice pieces downstream are prohibited and any crew observed doing so will be disqualified.

Crews competing in the 2k should marshal above the start in number order and must keep to the Stapenhill bank (stroke side when travelling upstream) with bows pointing upstream, lowest numbered crew closest to the start.

Crews continuing to the 3.5k start must take care when passing the 2k start as they may encounter inexperienced stationary crews.

Crews arriving at the 3.5k start should marshal above the start in number order in their allocated location with bows pointing upstream, lowest numbered crews nearest to the start.

Essential timings

	Division 1		Division 2	
	2k	3.5k	2k	3.5k
Latest Boating Time	9.45	10.00	12.45	13.00
Crews to be past the 2k marker point	10.15	10.25	13.15	13.25
Start Time	10.30	10.45	13.30	13.45

Crews failing to boat in time, or fail to reach the 2k marker point in time, may be penalised.

The marshalling areas are shown on the course map, available at both clubs and on the website.

The Start

Marshals /Starter boats will say when to turn to go downstream, at approximately 30 seconds intervals. At a point 50-75m above the start the starter will call your number and shout 'Go'.

Timing will commence when your bows cross the start line.

Racing

During the race, all crews to wear their club racing kit from the waist up. Inexperienced crews may wear an agreed kit in club colours. Numbers must be clearly visible on the bow crew member

Crews will race downstream - keep towards the Burton bank (stroke side) to allow faster boats to overtake the bow side.

Crews who impede faster boats may be penalised or disqualified.

Approaching the Leicester Line Bridge use arch 2's if clear to enable overtaking faster crews to use arch 1.

The Finish

The finish is 80m upstream of the Ferry footbridge.

After hearing the finish horn, continue downstream through the ferry bridge before stopping to avoid collisions with other fast finishing boats.

Crews should then proceed with due care back to the rowing clubs to disembark.

Problems during the race

In the event of any collisions, objections, or disputes the decision of the Race Committee will be final.

Results

These will be announced as soon as possible after the second division

Medals will be awarded to the winning crew members at Trent RC, shortly after the results have been produced.

And lastly

Changing facilities, toilets, refreshments etc are available at both rowing clubs.

First aid kits are available at both clubs and in the launches. First aiders are present at the clubs and at the finish.

More information is detailed in the event Safety Plan. All relevant documented information will be available on the website.

Feedback - The organising committee would appreciate any feedback you have, both good and areas for improvement.

We hope you enjoy the Burton Head and thank you for entering.