

False Creek Racing Canoe Club Policy

Title: Boat Allocation for Races	Effective Date: April 2017
Reviewed and Approved by: False Creek Racing Canoe Club Executive	

Background

The mission of the False Creek Racing Canoe Club (FCRCC) is to offer paddling opportunities to those who wish to achieve excellence through training and racing. The mandate of the FCRCC is to put forth the best crews possible to locally and internationally represent the club.

Over the years, FCRCC membership has grown, and our fleet of boats is in high demand, especially for races. Historically, the Men's and Women's programs were given priority over boats as they were considered to be the most competitive and highest performing programs. Now, other programs are excelling in their categories.

With the goal of building a local, national and international reputation, it is important to determine which teams are most competitive in their categories and how best to support them. An equitable and systematic approach to assigning points based on race results, as outlined below, will determine boat allocation for races.

Scope

This policy applies to all FCRCC Outrigger Programs who request boats for races. Teams who are excelling in their categories will have priority for boats.

Policy Statement

- Boat allocation is the responsibility of the elected FCRCC Outrigger Representative.
- Boat allocation is based on race placement in full-course races. There must be at least three boats in the division to get club points. Points may be assigned if there are less than three boats in a race category, and a team is competing against crews that are "up" a division, for example, Kupunas who beat master's crews, or mixed crews who beat men's crews.
- Points are assigned as follows:
 - 3 points for 1st place
 - 2 points for 2nd place
 - 1 point for 3rd place
- For the first race of the year, points from the previous year will determine boat allocation.

- If points are equal, other factors considered include:
 - the program's focus races
 - who the crew is competing against
 - boat allocation based on a mutually agreed on 'race off' between teams
- Programs must submit boat requests to the FCRCC Outrigger Representative three weeks prior to race, and no more than four weeks before a race. Late requests are considered only after boats are allocated to teams who met the deadline.

Please note: Last-minute cancellations impact all outrigger paddlers. In the spirit of Ohana, it is important that programs request a boat only when they have a crew to fill it. If this becomes an ongoing problem, the OC committee or Executive will meet and discuss a course of action.

- Program Reps are responsible for reporting points to the OC Rep within a week of racing if teams want their points recorded.