

FCRCC Boat Use Policy

The False Creek Racing Canoe Club provides a wide variety of individual and team boats for the use of FCRCC members. Except for the dragon boats, only individual (full or associate) members of FCRCC may use these boats. (Dragon Boat Team Agreement and Practice Agreement) Team boats (war canoe, dragon boats, OC6s and the OC4) may only be used by program/team members during scheduled program or team practice times.

Dragon Boat use:

Dragon boats may only be used for FCRCC dragon boat practices, races, or other authorized FCRCC activities within specified practice times. There are two types of dragon boat teams: full member teams and dragon boat member teams. (See Dragon Boat Team Agreement and Practice Agreement for details) **Dragon boat practice slots are restricted to the registered rostered teams and no other teams may utilize that slot without registering or booking through Club Administrator.** All practice times are booked through the FCRCC Club Administrator.

Outrigger Canoe use:

1. Paddlers wishing to use an FCRCC outrigger canoe (OC1, OC2, OC4, OC6) must be an individual (full or associate) member of FCRCC.
2. Use of OC1s and OC2
 - a. Paddlers must have completed an OC1 orientation program or its equivalent and successfully completed a Huli drill prior to being allowed to paddle an OC1 or OC2. **The club is encouraging all FCRCC OC1 users to do an annual cold water huli. At some point in the future, this may become mandatory if using club equipment.**
 - b. FCRCC courses such as the Small Boat Coaching program have priority use of the OC1s during scheduled course times. Any boat not in use 10 minutes after a course is scheduled to begin may be used by club members.
 - c. OC1s may be reserved through the FCRCC Club Administrator for FCRCC core program time trials. (See Multiple-boat or Time-slot Reservations for details.)
 - d. See General Guidelines for using club equipment/use of OC1s at www.fcrcc.com for the use and care of club OC1s.
 - e. FCRCC core outrigger programs have priority use of the OC2 during program practice times **even if the paddler has booked the boat for an event.** If the Huki OC2 is not in use 10 minutes after a program is scheduled to begin it may be used by club members. Any full FCRCC member, having completed the required orientation, may use the OC2 outside of scheduled program time.
 - f. **To use the Tempest OC2, the individual club member must attend an orientation for that boat, given by the Outrigger representative or another Representative of an Outrigger Program who has committed to take the responsibility for the orientation. Any damage due to "ignorance of policy or procedure from their paddlers would be**

their responsibility. "All members who have taken the orientation must provide a signature to confirm their orientation.

g. The Tempest OC2 will be available for reservations for confirmed bookings. The programs do not have priority over a booked event for the Tempest OC2.

3. Use of OC4 and OC6s (team boats):

a. Use of the OC6s and the OC4 is restricted to crew practices within assigned program practice times with the following exceptions:

- i. FCRCC outrigger programs may use the OC6s and OC4 for *additional training purposes* in preparation for special events such as World Sprints or international distance races that may require more practice time than can be accommodated during the regularly scheduled program practices.
- ii. Full member FCRCC dragon boat teams* may book practices in the OC6 and OC4 outside of regularly scheduled core outrigger program practice times. (See Dragon Boat Team Agreement and Practice Agreement and Policy Regarding the Assignment of OC Time Slots.)

*Full member dragon boat teams may not use the OC6s or OC4 until the entire team has completed an OC6 orientation course and supervised outdoor huli recovery and be certified proficient in these matters by the FCRCC Program Co-ordinator who will keep accurate records. The team may be required to pay a fee for the FCRCC Program Coordinator or approved representative to provide the orientation and huli recovery. Once approved by the Program Coordinator, the teams may book their time slots with the club administrator.

(note: teams could do a warm water huli to allow them on the water but will be required to do a cold water huli as a later date.)

b. Every FCRCC program is required to run a huli drill at least once per year.

c. Booking OC6s and OC4 outside of scheduled program practice times:

- i. Program leaders may book extra training time through the FCRCC Administrator (admin@fcrcc.com).
- ii. The club administrator in consultation with the Outrigger Representative will consider each request and book approved requests.
- iii. It is essential that all boats be returned to the Burrard Compound at least 15 minutes prior to any scheduled program activity.