



47th Head Of The Charles® Regatta

Three miles against the clock • Individuals, Schools, Colleges, Clubs • Individually computer-timed
Separate Men's & Women's divisions in each Event • Medals awarded in each event-division

QUADRUPLE SCULL

EVENT DESCRIPTION

The event is open to all **experienced** scullers with no age minimum. Applicants must list each crew member's years of sculling experience, and must detail steers-person's relevant steering experience. The Head Of The Charles Regatta will review all entries and reserves the right to exclude any entry deemed to have insufficient experience to safely navigate a course as difficult as the Head Of The Charles Regatta course in a quadruple sculling boat.

All Handicaps are currently under review by the Managing Directors of the Head Of The Charles Regatta. Please check www.hocr.org for 2010 Handicap updates in August.

SIZE OF EVENT-DIVISIONS

The maximum number of accepted entries will be 100 (sum of all three divisions). The event will operate with an age-handicapping system.

SPECIFICATIONS OF QUADRUPLE SCULLING EVENTS

Men's divisions: Male scullers only.

Women's divisions: Female scullers only.

Mixed divisions: two male scullers and two female scullers only

AWARDS:

Awards (winners and fastest raw time) will be presented at the last awards ceremony after racing on Sunday.

FIRST PLACE MEDALS: 2 ½-inch individually struck bronze medallions will be awarded to the members of the winning crew in each of the men's, women's and mixed divisions of the event.

SUBSIDIARY MEDALS: 1 ¼-inch individually struck bronze medallions will be awarded to the members of the runner-ups in each of the men's, women's and mixed divisions of the event. A subsidiary medal is awarded per every 10 entrants per event-division (up to a maximum of 5th place for at least 40 entrants), as for other events in the Regatta.

ROWING ATTIRE: There will be fun prizes awarded for the most creative rowing attire in the Directors' Challenge Quad events. The judges for this awards category will review passing crews from the Reunion Village.

This event does **not** contribute points towards the Paul Revere Points trophy.

ENTRY RULES

The limitation that no one, including coxswains, may compete more than once in the Regatta will not apply to the Directors Challenge Quadruple Sculls or the Directors Challenge Double Sculls.

The event is open to experienced scullers, and will have **three divisions** for male, female and mixed (two male, two female only) crews. The race will be held on the last day of the Regatta.

Competitors must race in traditional (sliding seat, fixed rigger) racing shells equipped with a steering mechanism. Crews may race in shells with coxswain (coxswain may be of either sex in any event-division). There will be no weight-limit set for coxswains in this event, with no separate category for quadruple sculls with coxswain, and those without coxswain. Crews will not be allowed to start the race in a boat lacking an adequate steering mechanism operated by a sculler, or a coxswain.

There are no guaranteed entries and no guaranteed entry privileges at any future Head Of The Charles Regatta. Winning an event-division in this event, or finishing within the top half of the field, will **not** earn the institution or the individual competitors a guaranteed entry into any event at the succeeding year's Head Of The Charles Regatta, nor will it have any bearing on the Club specification at any future Regatta.

Each entry must comply with all the general rules governing all other events of the Regatta, except where otherwise stated herein. Entry applications will be accepted only from crews comprising U.S.A. residents who are members of a USRowing-member institution AND/OR an organization having "institutional membership" in the Regatta, or, if competing "unaffiliated", are individual members of USRowing, and from foreign nationals who are in good standing with their nation's FISA-recognized national governing body. The names of the individual scullers, and their affiliation, must be stated on the application form. In this event only, entries will be accepted from composite crews. No one may represent an institution of which he or she is not a bona fide member. If there is more than one entry from a single institution into an event-division, they should be identified by sequential letters of the alphabet.

Competitors may solicit corporate sponsorship for their boats (display of sponsor's name on the boat AND/OR name the crew for the sponsor in the Regatta program provided all individuals are individual members of USRowing or, if a foreign national, their equivalent FISA-recognized national governing body) only with prior approval from the Head Of The Charles Regatta.

OTHER RULES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

The person responsible for operating the steering mechanism of the boat is strongly recommended to attend coxswain's training. The starting gap between crews, normally 8 to 10 seconds, will be increased to about 15 seconds (subject to the Starters' instruction) in this event. Regatta officials (river control) may actively warn crews to correct their course around hazards (for example, bridge arches at Weeks footbridge, at Anderson bridge and at Eliot bridge).

CLOSING DATE: October 12, 2011 Midnight .

Entries will be accepted on a **first-come-first-served** basis (receipt of completed application form **and** full payment of entry fees by the Regatta office) at any time prior to midnight on Wednesday October 12, 2011, subject to a maximum number of 100 accepted entries. However, the deadline for being listed in the Regatta program is September 30, 2011. Substitution of any member except the steers-person prior to registration is permitted, provided all other entry rules and specifications are met. Substitution of the steers-person requires prior approval. No substitutions are permitted once a crew's boating form has been submitted at registration.

Entry Applications to The Directors' Quad event will be accepted only from crews comprising U.S.A. residents who are members of a USRowing-member institution AND/OR an organization having "institutional membership" in the Regatta, or, if competing 'unaffiliated,' are individual members of USRowing, and from foreign nationals who are in good standing with their nation's FISA-recognized national governing body. The names of the individual sculler, and their affiliation, must be stated on the application.

USRowing MEMBERSHIP INFO:

USRowing Headquarters

201 South Capitol Ave., Suite #400
Indianapolis, IN 46225
1-800-314-4ROW

REGATTA INFORMATION:

General: (617) 868-6200
regatta@hocr.org
www.hocr.org

RCA MEMBERSHIP INFO:

Rowing Canada Avron

NOTC Venture, Box 17000,
Stn. Forces, Victoria, BC V9A-7N2
(250)-361-4222

Names: Contact Person: _____ LAST FIRST EMAIL
Bow/Steers-person: _____ LAST FIRST EMAIL
Institutional affiliation, if any: _____ **State/Province:** _____ **Country:** _____

Directors' Challenge Quad Entry Application

47th Head Of The Charles® Regatta



Saturday & Sunday, October 22-23, 2011 · Charles River · Boston, Massachusetts · U.S.A.

CLOSING: Applications must be received with payment no later than midnight on **October 12, 2011**, subject to a maximum of 100 accepted entries.

MAIL TO: 'Entries' Head Of The Charles, P.O. Box 380052
 Cambridge, MA 02238-0052, U.S.A.
(Note: Express delivery carriers will not deliver to a P.O. Box. Call (617) 868-6200 for street address.)

FEE: US \$1,000.00 of which \$240 is the fee for entry into the Regatta, and \$760 is a tax-deductible donation to the Head Of The Charles Regatta Endowment Fund. Payment must be received with each Entry Application. Checks should be made payable to 'Head Of The Charles'. Acknowledgement of tax-deductible contributions will be sent after the Regatta, if requested.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT: (CHECK ONE) VISA Mastercard

CARD NUMBER
 [][][][] - [][][][] - [][][][] - [][][][] EXP [][] / [][]

SIGNATURE ON CARD _____

DIRECTORS CHALLENGE HANDICAPS:
 The Directors' Quadruple Sculling Events will be age-handicapped. Average age of crew (whole years rounded down, individual ages rounded down, as of race-day) will be used to calculate handicap. Crews whose average age is 30 years or less will have no time adjustment. Crews whose average age is 31 or higher will have their time adjusted according to a smooth curve of time-adjustment based on the age-handicaps for Long Distance races developed by the ARA as published in the British Rowing Almanac (2010). Standard times for the races will be as follows: The Men's, Mixed, and Women's quadruple scull standard times will be taken as 16 min, 17 min, and 18 min, respectively. There will be an adjustment made to the handicap calculation if racing conditions are deemed to significantly change the standard times.

ENTRY INQUIRIES
 For all entry inquiries, call (617) 868-6200, visit our web page at www.hocr.org, or e-mail us at regatta@hocr.org. Enclose a self-addressed postcard if you want receipt of this Application acknowledged immediately.

IMPORTANT: In the space below, please print or type the name, address, and telephone number of the individual to whom all communications regarding this Entry Application should be directed. **Please print clearly in black ink.**

() - () -
 TELEPHONE / HOME (include area code) WORK (include area code)

NAME _____
 STREET _____
 CITY STATE/PROVINCE ZIP/POSTAL CODE _____
 E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

QUADRUPLE SCULL ENTRANTS
 The event is open to experienced scullers, and awards will be given in **three event divisions** for male, female and mixed (two male, two female) crews, but any combination may be boated. Applicants must list each crew member's years of sculling experience, and must detail steers-person's relevant steering experience. Head Of The Charles Regatta will review all entries and reserves the right to exclude any deemed to have insufficient experience to safely navigate the course.

Event-Division: (CHECK ONE) Men's Women's Mixed (2M/2W)

Name (Bow/Steers-person) _____ DOB (DD/MM/YY) _____
 Club or USRowing Number _____ Years Rowing _____
 Email _____
 Experience _____

Name _____ Email _____ DOB (DD/MM/YY) _____
 Club or USRowing Number _____ Years Rowing _____

Name _____ Email _____ DOB (DD/MM/YY) _____
 Club or USRowing Number _____ Years Rowing _____

Name _____ Email _____ DOB (DD/MM/YY) _____
 Club or USRowing Number _____ Years Rowing _____

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that those named above meet the eligibility specifications prescribed for the Event-Division applied for above, and that we either are members of a USRowing-member institution, or individual members of USRowing (Membership No. recorded above), or foreign nationals in good standing with our FISA-recognized national governing body. I understand that if this application is accepted, I will be charged \$1,000 as specified above.

 SIGNATURE