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GUIDING BODIES

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NOTE: This is an optional sport for the Host. (See "General Rules")

EVENTS

All events will be 1000 Meters.

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2003: Not all events will be offered and there may be modifications to the format. Specific information will be forwarded as "amended rules" and/or will be available in the Registration Book.

INDIVIDUAL; SINGLE SCULL:

For 2003:

Men's Individual events will be offered in the following age categories:

OPEN:	18-29	GRAND MASTER (A):	50-54
SENIOR (A):	30-34	GRAND MASTER (B):	55-59
SENIOR (B):	35-39	GRAND MASTER (C):	60-64
MASTER (A):	40-44	GRAND MASTER (D):	65+
MASTER (B):	45-49		

Women's Individual Events will be offered in the following age categories:

OPEN:	18-29
SENIOR (A):	30-39
MASTER (A):	40-49
GRAND MASTER (A):	50+

OTHER EVENTS THE HOST MAY OFFER: Pairs, "Straight 4's", Double Sculls, Coxswain-less Pairs & Coxswain-less Fours. All optional events may be offered in the following age divisions (NOTE: Underlined optional events will be offered in 2003):

For 2003 in the above events: Men's events will be held in the following age categories: Open, Senior, Master & Grand Master. Women's events will be held in the following age categories: Open & Senior (B) [35+]

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Events may be substituted by the Host. Their request SHALL be submitted in writing to the WPFGE no later than 2 years before the Games.

If you wish to row "8-with", it is permissible after all events are over, but NO medals shall be awarded for this performance

COXSWAINS:

Coxswains may or may not be utilized in an event. This will depend on the Host's ability to provide the boats that may or may not use Coxswains.

COXSWAIN QUALIFICATIONS:

The Coxswain can be of either sex in all events.

Coxswain Proficiency Test: For reason of safety and proper care of borrowed equipment, coxswains must have reasonable previous experience at steering crews. All coxswains must therefore be prepared to pass a practical proficiency test prior to racing. The officials reserve the right to immediately disqualify any coxswain from steering a crew both in training and competition who can not clearly demonstrate a reasonable standard of proficiency.

Coxswains Accompanying Teams; Eligibility: must meet eligibility rules and submit an Entry Form the same as the rest of the team.

OFFICIALS

Sport Coordinator

Federation Internationale des Societies Aviron (FISA) official; or national/state affiliate

Starter

2 - Finish line judges, if not auto-timed.

Contact with national/state club or local rowing clubs to utilize existing infrastructures will greatly enhance the organization of this event.

PERSONNEL

2 - Water Rescue Boat operators

Expediter

(Venue will greatly influence the total personnel required.)

MEDICAL

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Basic medical supplies will be provided by the Host at each venue. Communications shall be available at each venue and preparations made in case it is necessary to summon emergency services.

FACILITY

Large, wind-protected, open area. Check with local rowing clubs or colleges. Contact national/state FISA-affiliated rowing associations for suitable facilities.

EQUIPMENT

BOATS:

Competitors may use their own or select from comparable boats made available by the Host.

Host may prohibit or restrict the use of private boats, when boats are supplied, to ensure fairness to competitors. This may include practice sessions in addition to actual competition.

Minimum Number of Boats Needed for Competition: No less than 3 boats per event

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT:

(Powered) Water Rescue Boat

Official Clock (Seiko Digital Timer)

Lane Buoys

First Aid Kit

Fresh drinking water & cups

Miscellaneous equipment: Clipboards, pencils, etc. for scoring and scheduling.

WPFGE & FISA Rules (Heats) shall be available on-site.

BRACKETS

Heats: See Bracketing Rules.

All advancements of boats to Finals accomplished by direct race off. No advancement by time selection only.

SCHEDULING

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Competition will usually be conducted over 2 days. If in excess of 100 competitors, schedule will need to be extended to 3 days.

Daily schedule of actual competition will be dependent on events offered, number of entrants and facilities. Advise competitors of the schedule or how to obtain the schedule in their Confirmation Letters.

GENERAL RULES

During scheduling of the heats or finals, the Host Sport Coordinator **shall not allow a boat in any race that does not conform to all rules.** For example: in the 1000 Meter 4 with coxswain, allowing only three oarsmen and a coxswain.

No boat will be placed in the water with a makeup team which has been assembled at the last minutes to row "just for the fun of it" and was not properly registered prior to the first day of competition.

Rowing is an optional event for the Host Agency. This option must be executed one year before the Games. [Depending on Host Agency facilities and the availability of boats, Host Agency may elect not to conduct this sport. WPFGE will assume that Host Agency is conducting Rowing unless Host Agency notifies WPFGE in writing one year or more prior to the beginning of the Games.]

AWARDS

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Medals are awarded First through Third Place (1st – 3rd). A minimum of 9 sets of medals for the “required” Individual events, and a maximum of 40 sets of medals, (number of places dependent on the events offered) will be required for the **Rowing (Outdoor)** events. WPFGE will advise you of the number of sets needed based on total entries, plus a reasonable margin.

ATTENTION COORDINATORS

THE **GENERAL SPORTS RULES** APPLY TO ALL SPORTS.
YOU MUST BE FAMILIAR WITH ITS CONTENTS.

PRECISE RESULTS, ON FORMS PROVIDED, MUST BE FORWARDED
TO THE HOST COMMITTEE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
CONCLUSION OF THIS SPORT

The WPFGE Director assigned to your sport is knowledgeable and experienced in providing assistance during the preparation and running of the sport. Questions, a detailed accounting of your preparations, and any area requiring approval of the WPFGE shall be submitted in a timely manner to this WPFGE Director.

The WPFGE Directors want to work with you to make your sport a success.

PLEASE USE THE WPFGE DIRECTORS AS A RESOURCE.