



Subject Race Day Organisation & Draws

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The organisation of Race Days will be allocated to the participating clubs on a rotational basis. The roster will be established at the first Race Committee meeting after the DBSA AGM in August of each year.

The Board will establish a provisional Season Program for review and input from the Racing Committee in July each year. The Board will approve the Racing Program in August each year.

1. Event Entry Organisation

1. The organisers will produce and distribute the event entry form at least four (4) weeks prior to the event.
2. Provisional entries are due and to be collated two (2) weeks prior to the event and circulated to the clubs for discussion and fine tuning.
3. Final entries are due ten (10) days prior to the event.
4. Initial race draw should be distributed to clubs on the Monday prior to the event.
5. Withdrawals and changes after close of business on the Monday prior to a weekend event or within 5 days of other events will incur a charge of \$40.
6. A minimum of three (3) crews is required for an event to be raced. If a crew withdraws after final entries have been submitted and it reduces the entries to two (2), that event will still be run.

2. Completing a Race Draw

1. Ensure that the results from the latest previous races for the categories in the draw are available.
2. Rank the crews entered in order of their last finishes.
3. Allocate the crews to lanes as follows:
 - Rank 1 – Lane 3
 - Rank 2 – Lane 4
 - Rank 3 – Lane 2
 - Rank 4 – Lane 5
 - Rank 5 – Lane 1
 - Rank 6 – Lane 6
4. If there are two (2) or more heats, the lanes are allocated in ranking order to the heats. In a 10 boat category the following lane allocations would apply:
 - Rank 1 – Heat 1 – Lane 3
 - Rank 2 – Heat 2 – Lane 3
 - Rank 3 – Heat 1 – Lane 4
 - Rank 4 – Heat 2 – Lane 4
 - Rank 5 – Heat 1 – Lane 2
 - Rank 6 – Heat 2 – Lane 2
 - Rank 7 – Heat 1 – Lane 5
 - Rank 8 – Heat 2 – Lane 5
 - Rank 9 – Heat 1 – Lane 1
 - Rank 10 – Heat 2 – Lane 1
5. Those crews who are unable to be ranked due to no recent results can be allocated lanes after the ranked crews in the order that it is reasonably assumed that they would finish or on a random draw.
6. The racing sequence for the draw should be as follows:
 - Grand Masters Mixed
 - Premier Open
 - Premier Women
 - Masters Open



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- Masters Women
- Premier Mixed
- Grand Masters Open
- Grand Masters Women
- Masters Mixed
- B Grade Open – (to be used through program to create breaks)

3. Race Plans

1. IDBF and AusDBF Race Plans

- a) In general DBSA shall follow both the IDBF and AusDBF race plan for Season and State Championship racing. Where the number of competitors in a particular racing category is not sufficient to ensure full finals the DBSA Board, in their discretion, may alter the IDBF race plan to increase the number of crews in the finals;
- b) As a general rule, the following race plans will be adhered to:
 - **Race Plan T.1.1 (2-3 teams)**
 - Teams will race, if possible, in other category heats, chosen to allow the most competitive racing (for example, Grand Masters may race in a Masters heat);
 - Teams will be allocated their own Grand Final
 - **Race Plan T.1.2 (4 – 6 team)**
 - Teams will be allocated a heat. This will be compulsory to race,
 - Teams who do not race the heat will not be allowed to race the Grand Final.
 - Teams will race for times for lane allocation
 - Teams will be allocated their own Grand Final
 - **Race Plan T.1 (7 – 8 teams)**
 - 2 heats – 1st in each heat to Grand Final
 - Rest to Repercharge
 - 1st to 4th from Repercharge to Grand Final

Note: in 7 teams, 7th misses out on Final, if 8 teams, then they get option of racing a Minor Final
 - **Race Plan T.2 (9-12 teams)**
 - 2 heats – 1st in each to Grand Final plus the fastest looser from both heats (3 direct to Grand Final)
 - Rest to Repercharges (2)
 - 1st from each Repercharge plus the fastest looser from both Repercharges, to Grand Final (3 to G.F.)
 - Rest to Minor Final if required

2. The official IDBF Tail Race plans for up to 12 crews using six (6) lanes are reproduced on the following pages. The full Tail Race system is available on the DBSA and IDBF websites.



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(USING SIX LANES)

PLAN. T1. = 5, 6, 7 or 8 Crews racing

Crews Per Heat	Heat (H) Draw.	L A N E	Repechage (Rp) Draw.	L A N E	Tail Race (TR) Draw.	L A N E	Semi Final (SF) Draw.	L A N E	Grand Final (GF) Draw.	L A N E
<u>5.</u>	<u>Heat.1</u>		<u>Repechage.</u>		<u>No Tail Races</u>		<u>No Semi Finals</u>		<u>GRAND Final</u>	
H1=3 H2=2	3 1 5 (7)	4 3 2 (5)	3 in Hs 4 in Hs 5 in Hs (6 in Hs) (7 in Hs) (8 in Hs)	3 4 2 (5) (1) (6)					3 rd in H1 1 st in H2 1 st in Rp (2 nd in Rp) (3 rd in Rp)	3 4 2 (5) (1)
<u>6.</u>	<u>Heat.2</u>						<u>Minor Final (MF) Draw.</u>			
H1=3 H2=3	4 2 (6) (8)	4 3 (2) (5)			<u>Minor Final 5-6 crews</u>	3 2 4	<u>Minor Final 7 crews</u>	3 4 2	<u>MINOR Final 8 crews</u>	3 4 2
<u>7.</u>										
H1=4 H2=3										
<u>8.</u>										
H1=4 H2=4					2 nd in Rp 3 rd in Rp (4 th in Rp)				4 th in Rp 5 th in Rp 6 th in Rp	
	<u>Heats:</u> Heat Winners the Grand Final. The Rest to Repechage.		<u>Rep: 5 or 6 crews</u> Winner to GF. <u>7 crews.</u> First 2 to GF. <u>8 crews</u> 3 to GF <u>All</u> rest to MF.				<u>Minor Final</u> is to decide 4 th and 5 th or 5 th to 8 th places in the competition		<u>Grand Final</u> is to decide 1 st to 3 rd and 4 th and 5 th places in the competition.	



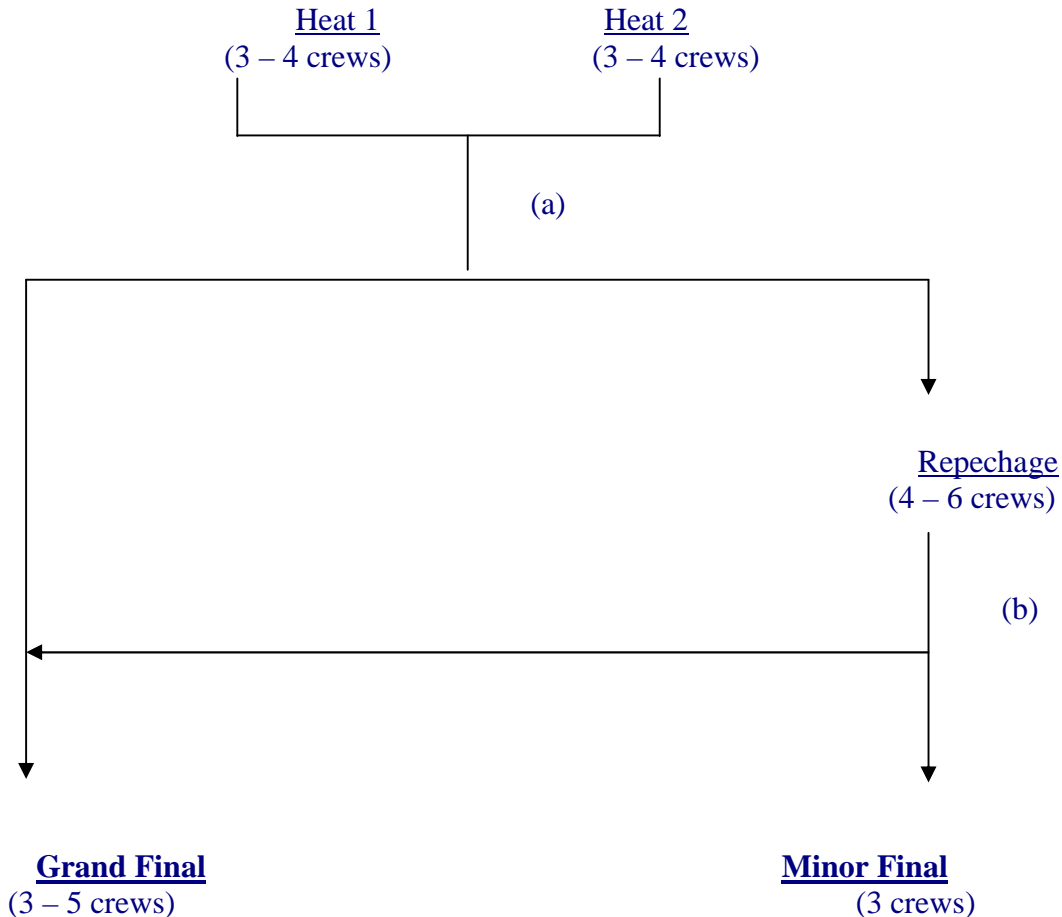
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RACE FORMAT FOR RACES WITH 6 to 8 Crews – Using 6 Lanes Plan T.1



Notes:

- (a) The 1st placed crew in each Heat goes to the Grand Final, the rest to the Repechage.
- (b) For Races with 6 crews the 1st placed crew will go to the Grand Final.
For Races with 7 crews the 1st and 2nd placed crews will go to the Grand Final.
For Races with 8 crews the 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed crews will go to the Grand Final
For all races the remaining crews go to the Minor Final.



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TAIL RACE PLAN

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PLAN. T2. = 9, 10, 11, or 12 Crews

Crews Per Heat	Heat (H) Draw.	L A N E	Repechage (Rp) Draw.	L A N E	Tail Race (TR) Draw.	L A N E	Semi Final (SF) Draw.	L A N E	Grand Final (GF) Draw.	L A N E
<u>9.</u>	<u>Heat.1</u>		<u>Repechage. 1</u>		<u>No Tail Races</u>		<u>No Semi Finals</u>		<u>GRAND Final</u>	
H1=5	7	5		3					1 st in H1	3
H2=4	3	4	4 in Hs	4					1 st in H2	4
	1	3	6 in Hs	2					3 rd in Hs	2
<u>10.</u>	5	2	8 in Hs	(5)					1 st in Rp1	5
	9	1	(10 in Hs)	(1)					1 st in Rp2	1
H1=5	(11)	(6)	(12 in Hs)						3 rd in Rps	6
H2=5										
<u>11.</u>	<u>Heat.2</u>		<u>Repechage 2</u>						<u>Minor Final (MF) Draw.</u>	
	8	5		3						
H1=6	4	4		4						
H2=5	2	3	5 in Hs	2					<u>MINOR Final</u>	
	6	2	7 in Hs	5					4 th in Rps	3
<u>12.</u>	(10)	(1)	12 in Hs	(1)					5 th in Rps	4
	(12)	(6)	9 in Hs						6 th in Rps	2
H1=6			(11 in Hs)						(7 th in Rps)	(5)
H2=6									(8 th in Rps)	(1)
									(9 th in Rps)	(6)
	<u>Heats:</u> Winners + Fastest loser overall to GF Rest to Reps.		<u>Reps:</u> Rep Winners + Fastest Loser OA to Grand Final. The Rest to Minor Final				<u>Minor Final</u> is to decide 7 th to 12 th places in the competition		<u>Grand Final</u> is to decide 1 st to 6 th places in the competition.	

Plan Summary: 2 Heats; 2 Reps; 1 Minor Final; 1 Grand Final = Total 6 Races.



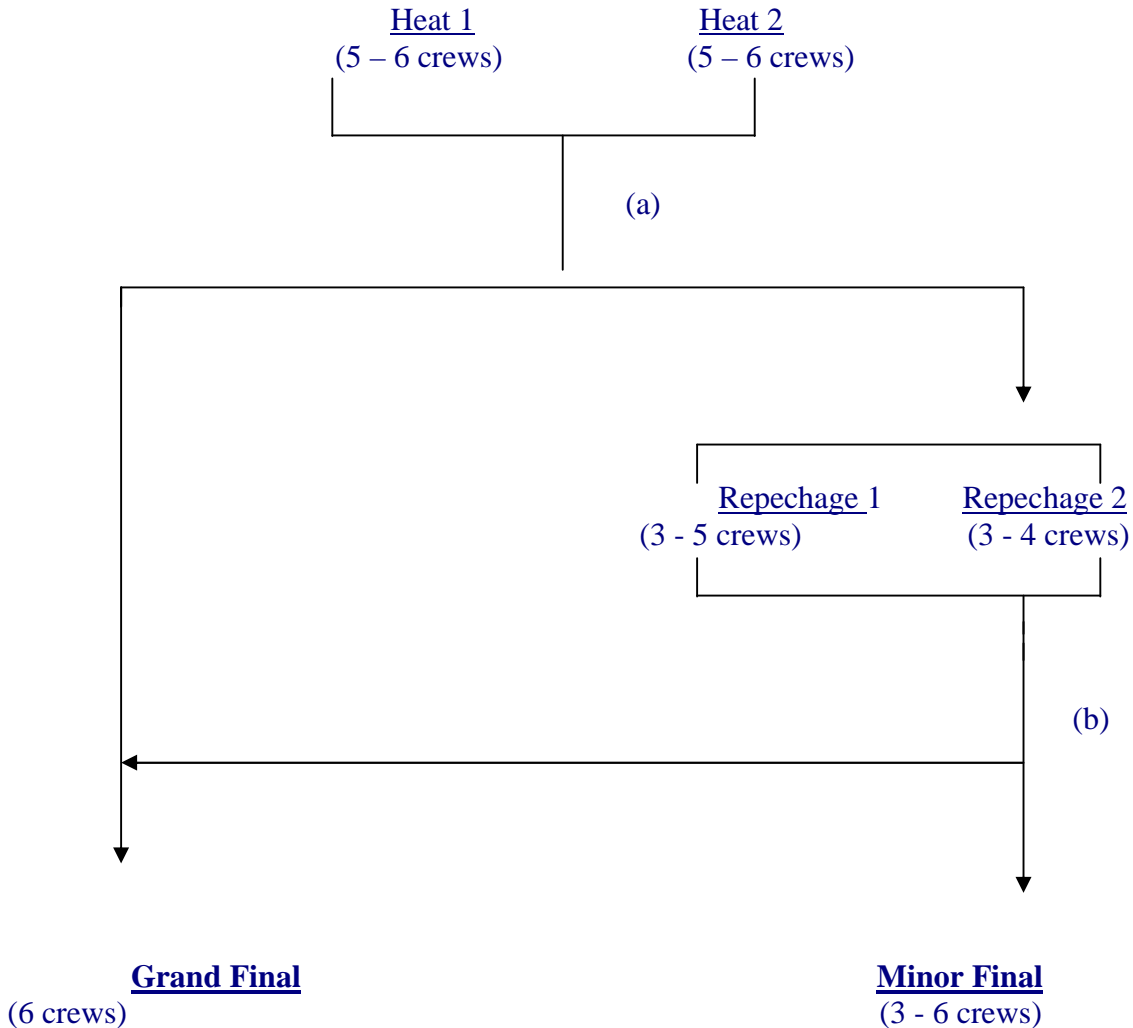
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Notes:

- (a) The 1st placed crew in each Heat, plus the fastest loser overall from the Heats, go to the Grand Final, the rest go to the Repechages.
- (b) The 1st placed crew in each Rep, plus the fastest loser overall from the Reps, go to the Grand Final, the remaining crews go to the Minor Final.



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3. Best Times Race Plans

In the Race Plans where we score the best two (2) times of three (3) races or the best three (3) times of four (4) races, crews are seeded as in section 2. and are reseeded in each subsequent round based on their times for the preceding round.

4. Race Day Task Lists.

1. Race day task lists have been produced for both West Lakes and Torrens events and can be downloaded from the DBSA website – www.dragonboatsa.com.
2. These task lists should be reviewed by all clubs as soon as they are aware of their allocated event.
3. Some items can be actioned well in advance and can save a deal of anxiety later.
4. When allocating race day duties to clubs it is advisable to review previous task lists and share the tasks evenly to all clubs

Endorsed by:

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DragonBoatSA Chairman on behalf of the

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Date