



POLICY: NEW PADDLER ALLOCATION

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Introduction

New paddlers are introduced to the sport of dragon boating by a various number of means.

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to govern the allocation of new dragon boat participants in South Australia, who have been introduced to the sport directly through the state organisation (DragonBoat SA) which will be hereby referred to as DBSA.

Policy

Individuals have two options to paddle as an introduction to the sport:

1. Four free paddles; or
2. DragonPass – sign up for unlimited paddles during one month.

DragonPass is an AusDBF initiative to provide a cohesive national branding for “Come & Try “ and has been adopted by DBSA.

<https://www.dragonboatsa.com/get-involved/dragon-pass/>

Coming in through DBSA direct (e.g. via website) or Corporate or Schools Come & Try programs

To make an informed choice of Club, individuals will be directed to the DBSA website which contains information provided by the Clubs..

Social or Corporate Team Trained by a Specific Club

Individuals should have a choice of staying with said Club. Alternatively, they can make their approaches to other Clubs either via the DBSA website, or in person at a training session or race event.

Development Programs

All Clubs will be advised of the development programs and will be able to decide as to whether they wish to participate in the facilitation of those programs.

Individuals who elect to continue in the sport and wish to become members of a Club should follow up with their prospective Club of choice.

An individual makes a choice and if the fit is not right, and they have not registered the Club then they will have the opportunity to trial with another Club before registering. (Should they have registered then the usual clearance procedure applies).