

Landing Stages

Access to the landing stages queue will be stopped **60 minutes** before race start time.

To ensure that ALL your crews get to the start, please boat your slowest crews first, in plenty of time to give your fastest crews a chance to be boated in time.

We can start the race early, as soon as all crews are marshalled at the start.

The average 1/2 pressure paddle time to the start is 45 minutes for open crews. Other categories will take longer!

Anomaly slow classes of boat in the queue may be **eliminated** or told to jump the queue if at risk of elimination but please try to avoid relying on this embarrassing anti-social necessity*.

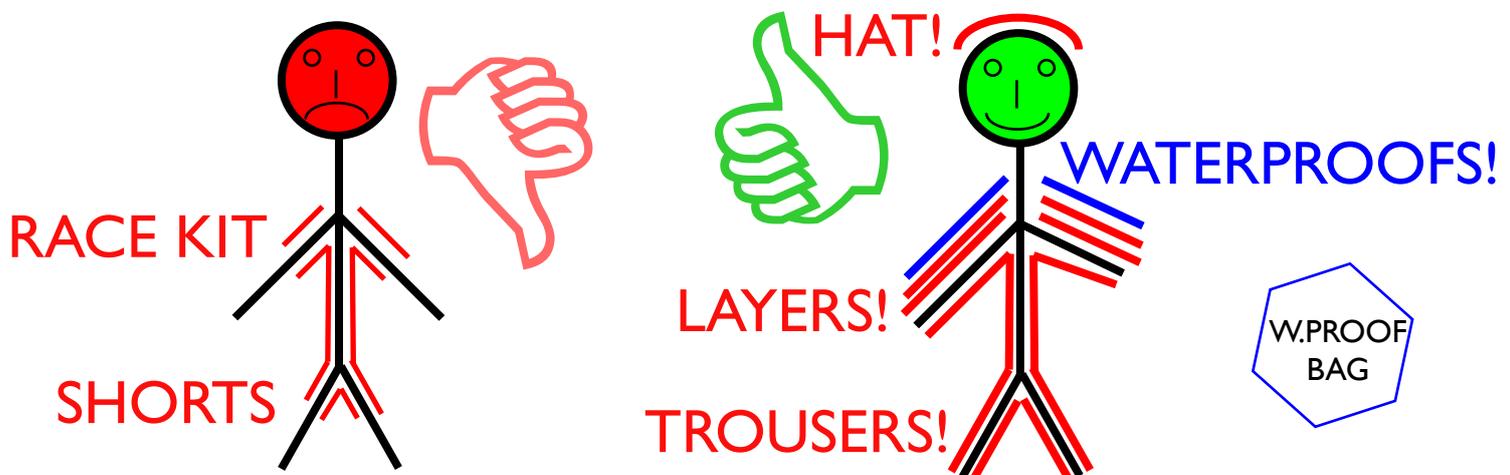
Crews that struggle to reach the start on time risk **elimination** in the interests of health and safety of the well organised who boated in good time, waiting patiently at the start.

Requested boating order has been published!

The idea is that ALL the slower crews are boated in good time to prevent the **one or two straggling delayers** at the bridges that often delay **THE WHOLE DIVISION** for a significant time, often 10+ minutes

Clothing

The control commission will stop any crew boating who in their view is incorrectly dressed for the conditions



Junior crews should only start to undress to race strip once they have started to move back down the marshalling area

Remember - Follow the Umpire Instructions!

*They will receive a time penalty.

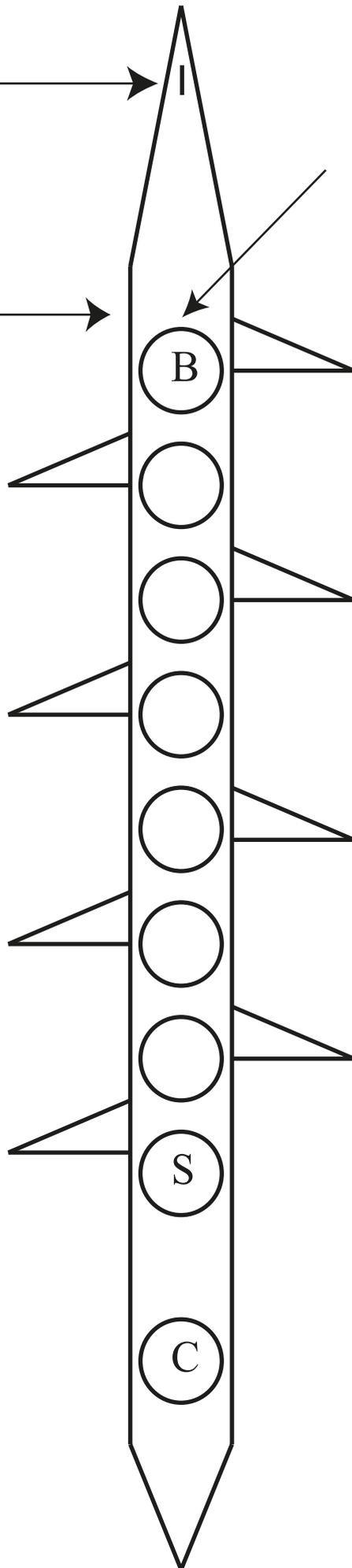
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OVERTAKING RULES

Crews being overtaken must give way to overtaking crews

When being overtaken **give audible warning** as to which way you are moving.

Overtaking crews may do so on **either side**

Crews disobeying the overtaking instructions will be disqualified or given a time penalty.

**THERE IS NO OVERTAKING ALLOWED
WITHIN 100M OF A BRIDGE.**

THE CREW IN FRONT WILL GO THROUGH FIRST

There are umpires on each bridge (Splatt & Cambridge Arms)
to issue directions as required.

COLLISIONS WITH OTHER VESSELS ON THE CANAL

Due to problems in previous years

Coaches are advised that:

It is the crew's responsibility to follow the

Traffic rules on the canal

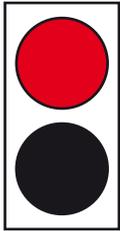
Traffic Lights to be followed

All collisions must be reported to the Head organisers

All collisions to be recorded on the BR incident Report system

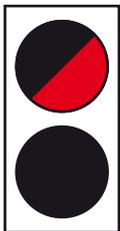
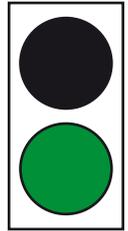
BRIDGE TRAFFIC LIGHTS

The bridges on the Gloucester/Sharpness Canal are controlled by Red/Green traffic lights. These MUST be obeyed.



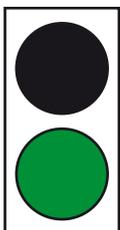
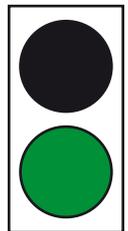
If the traffic light is **RED**

Stop and wait for it to turn **GREEN**



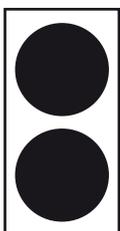
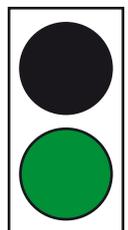
If the traffic light is **FLASHING RED**

Stop and wait for it to turn **GREEN**



If the traffic light is **GREEN**

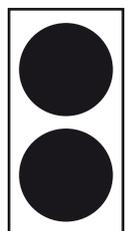
Proceed the way is **clear**



If the traffic light is **OFF**



Proceed with caution,
keep a lookout



ALL COXES AND STEERMEN MUST KNOW THIS