

# 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**

There is no overtaking permitted within **100 metres** of a bridge.

**No Overtaking zone** is clearly marked on the canal bank

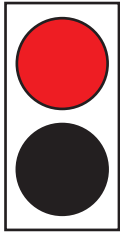
**The crew in front will go through first.**

There are umpires on each bridge to issue directions as required.

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

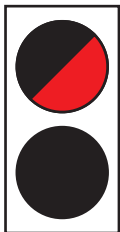
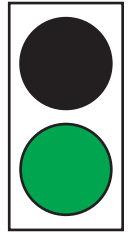
# BRIDGE TRAFFIC LIGHTS

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



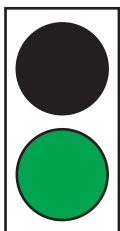
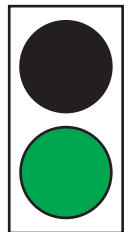
If the traffic light is **RED**

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



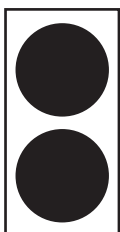
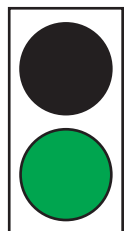
If the traffic light is **FLASHING RED**

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



If the traffic light is **GREEN**

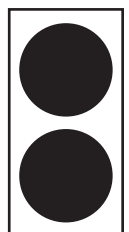
Proceed the way is **clear**



If the traffic light is **OFF**



Proceed with caution,  
keep a lookout



**ALL COXES AND STEERMEN MUST KNOW THIS**

# 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\*.

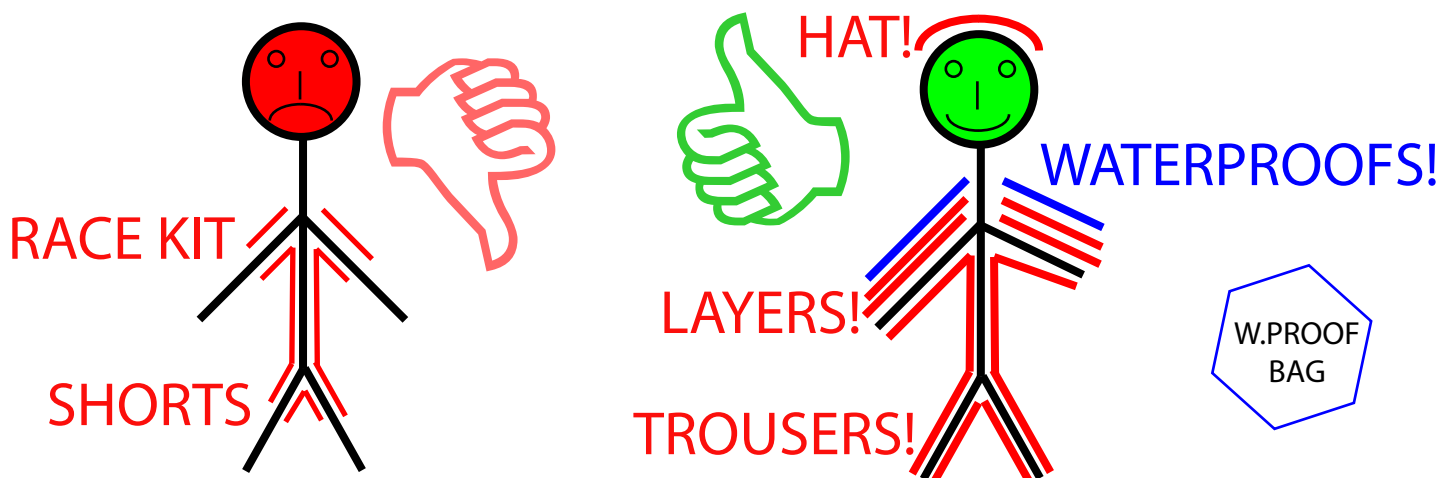
Crews that struggle to reach the start on time risk **elimination** in the interests of health and safety of the well organised who boated in good time, waiting patiently at the start.

**Request boating order is Highest to Lowest number ie Slowest to fastest boat classes!**

The idea is that ALL the slower crews are boated in good time to prevent the **one or two straggling delayers** at the Slimbridge end that often delay **THE WHOLE DIVISION** for a significant time, often 20+ 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

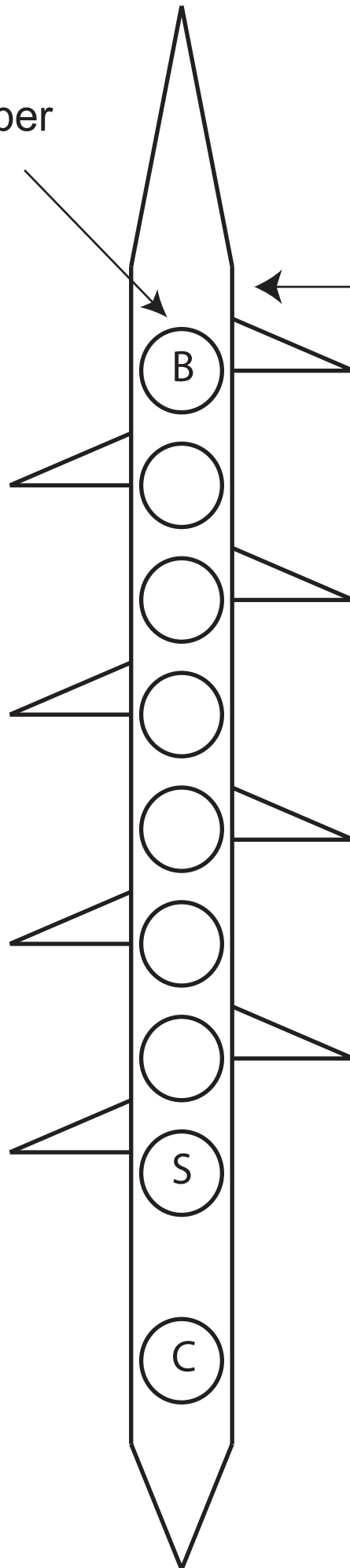
**Remember - Follow the Umpire Instructions!** \*They will receive a time penalty.

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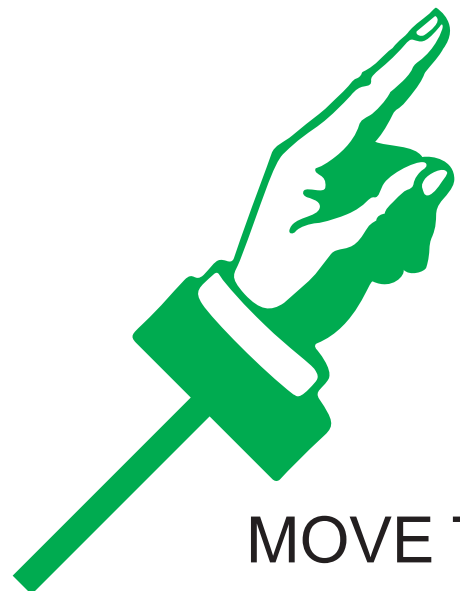
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