



**DRAGON BOAT CANADA  
BATEAU-DRAGON CANADA**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ENTRIES  
TO  
2021 PAN AMERICAN CLUB CREW CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**1. Background**

**This document sets out Dragon Boat Canada's (DBC) rules and regulations for awarding Pan American Club Crew Championship entries at a Canadian Championship.**

The Pan American Dragon Boat Federation may hold PACCCs in odd years (e.g., 2021). The PACCCs are designed for Club Crews who are sanctioned, but not selected, by PADBF controlling associations. DBC is the PADBF member and controlling association for Canada. Club crews must be sanctioned by DBC in order to compete in a PACCC.

DBC may approve an unlimited number of crews in each Competition Class for each PACCC. Generally, DBC awards PACCC entries based on the rules and regulations set out in this protocol.

These rules and regulations are in addition to the PADBF's requirements regarding PACCCs.

Qualifying may be achieved through membership. Individuals qualify as part of a club, not part of a crew.

If there is a conflict between any provision of these rules and regulations and any provision of the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing, the provision set out in this document will govern.

## 2. Defined Terms

- 2.1 **"PACCC"** means an PADBF Club Crew World Championship.
- 2.2 **"PACCC Year"** means the calendar year in which a PACCC is held.
- 2.4 **"Club"** means an organization holding club membership with DBC.
- 2.5 **"Club List"** means the list setting out all members, including the full name, DBC PIN, postal address, email address, and date of birth of each racer, coach, manager, program director and other officials of a Club as registered through the DBC membership system.
- 2.6 **"Competition Class"** means any combination of Racing Class and race distance (e.g., Junior Women [Racing Class] 500 meters [race distance]).
- 2.7 **"Crew"** means a crew, consisting of a maximum of 30 Racers (including one drummer and one steersperson), formed from the membership of a Club.
- 2.11 **"DBC"** means Dragon Boat Canada.
- 2.12 **"PADBF"** means the Pan American Dragon Boat Federation.
- 2.13 **"Qualifying Period"** means the months between the PACCC events.
- 2.14 **"Racing Class"** means a group of races organized on the basis of age and gender (e.g., Junior mixed).
- 2.15 **"Racer"** means a paddler, drummer or steersperson.
- 2.16 **"Small Racing Boat"** means a dragon boat designed for ten (10) Paddlers, a Drummer and a Steersperson for a maximum of twelve (12) Racers.
- 2.17 **"Standard Racing Boat"** designed for twenty (20) Paddlers, a Drummer and a Steersperson for a maximum of twenty-two (22) Racers.

## 3. Eligibility and Qualifications

- 3.1 A Club and each of its individual members (including racers, coaches, managers and other officials of the club) shall be uninterrupted members in good standing with DBC during the Qualifying Period 2020 and the PACCC Year 2021.
- 3.2 A Racer shall be a member of only one Club.
- 3.3 A Racer is eligible to participate on crews of different Racing Classes from within the same club provided he or she meets the requirements of the Racing Class.

## 5. Club Lists and Crew Lists

- 5.1 All Racers appearing on a Club's PACCC Crew List must have been members of the Club as shown in the records of DBC, for a minimum of six (6) months preceding the PACCC.

## 6. PACCC Crew Lists

- 6.1 The PACCC Crew List submitted to the PADBF and DBC will consist of up to 18 Racers. Crew Lists at PACCC will consist of no more than 14 Racers per distance all of who must be on the Crew List submitted to the PADBF and DBC.
- 6.2 A Racer may only appear on the PACCC Crew List for one crew in each Class/Category (e.g. Premier Women).
- 6.3 Subject to the criteria above, a Racer may participate in a PACCC if his or her name appears on the Club List and Crew List for the PACCC Year and he or she has maintained uninterrupted membership in good standing with DBC throughout the qualifying cycle (2020) and PACCC year (2021).

#### **7. Awarding of PACCC Entries**

- 7.1 DBC may sanction an unlimited number of Crews to compete at the PACCC

#### **8. Exemptions**

- 8.1 A Club may seek an exemption from any of these rules and regulations upon written application to the Executive Director of DBC. The application shall set out in sufficient detail the exemption being requested and the reasons for such application.
- 8.2 An application for exemption shall be received by DBC no later than January 1 of the year of the PACCC.
- 8.3 Applications for exemptions will be submitted with a non-refundable administration fee of \$250.00.
- 8.4 Applications for exemptions will not be considered until such payment is received by DBC.
- 8.5 DBC may, but is not obligated to, grant such exemptions from these rules and regulations upon such terms and conditions as it considers to be appropriate in the circumstances.