

# United States Dragon Boat Federation Rules

## National/International Competition

Payment for your [USBDF] membership must be received by the USDBF no later than May 1, 2023. Crews entering the USDBF Club Crew National Championship must also be members in good standing of their respective regions. (This is dependent on the year and when the event will take place that year. This is for THIS year)

All competitors must have been bona fide members of the Dragon Boat Crew that they represent, for at least SIX (6) months before the Club Crew Championships in question.

A Club Member who trains and competes with a Club Crew from a different Country or Territory or a geographical Region within a Country to the one in which the Club Member himself (or herself) is normally domiciled, will only be considered as a bona fide Club Member if they can prove that they have physically attended their Club to train or compete for a period or of at least twelve (12) weeks, over a minimum period of two (2) racing seasons.

For members residing within a 100-mile radius of the Club's declared practice location, this verification can include: - Athletes' names appearing on a 2023 paid membership listing. - Practice logs during the 2022 & 2023 season. - Records (for example, race rosters) from previous competitions for this crew. - Other proof deemed acceptable by the Competition and Technical Committee.

Club members who reside beyond a 100-mile radius of their Club's declared practice location must be prepared to prove that they have been bona fide club members for at least two racing seasons. For these out-of-town club members, proof of bona fide club membership can include: - Proof of prior residence within the 100-mile radius. - Rosters from past races with the club. - Documents showing travel to the club's location for practices and/or races. - Other proof deemed acceptable by the Competition and Technical Committee.