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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS | Paddling - Dragon Boat

### Will the format of the Paddling - Dragon Boat be same as 2014 Jupiter's Pan Pacific Masters Games?

The format won't be known until closer to the event - confirmed entries ultimately decide whether a category is run or not.

### Do I have to be part of a Dragon Boat Club to compete in this event?

Yes, you must be part of a registered club in order to compete in this event and able to supply your Crew Managers name (either yourself or someone else).

### What if we do not have enough members to fill an entire crew required for this event?

There may be an opportunity for Clubs to join to make a crew if numbers are short. However, this must be approved by the sport convenor prior to the event and is unique to the JPPMG as AusDBF Rules & Regulations specifically state that you can only be a member of one club and compete with that club.

### If the numbers of male/female competitors in my mixed crew are not 50/50 (10:10 Ratio), are we still able to compete?

Although we encourage all crews to be a 50/50 split, exceptions will be made that there are not to be more men than women and that a minimum of five males in a mixed team is required. This is as per the Australian Dragon Boat Federation (AusDBF) competition rules, which can be found on the [AusDBF Rules & Regulations](#).

### Are the races judged on times or via heats?

All races are timed. Where there are more than six crews entered in a category there are heats.

- If two heats then the top two in each heat plus the next two fastest crews progress to the final
- If three heats the top two from each heat progress to the semi-finals, all the others go into two repechage heats where the top two crews in each progress plus the next two fastest crews.
- From the two semi-finals the top two crews in each plus the next two fastest progress to the final.

To get an idea on the structure of heats and finals progression, please refer back to the 2014 Jupiter's Pan Pacific Masters Games – Paddling – Dragon Boat [RESULTS](#).

### Do the 'masters' category age restrictions apply for drummers and steerers?

**Drummers** - the rule for the Snr Classes are that a drummer does not need to be age appropriate to that class with a minimum of \*12 years of age to compete.

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**Steerer (sweep or helm)** - Must be the age of the class. Senior A 40 +, Senior B 50+ and Senior C 60+. Please refer to rule section **2.2 Racing Divisions** of the [AusDBF Rules & Regulations](#) .

\*As the registration system is set up to be age appropriate for each event, this will not allow a competition under this age bracket to apply. If the Drummer is below the overall Paddling – Dragon Boat age please email or phone the Jupiters Pan Pacific Masters Games office directly 07 5668 9888 or [admin@goldcoastevents.com.au](mailto:admin@goldcoastevents.com.au) to make a request to be to registered for this event and let the sport convenor Janine Lette know [events@goldcoastdragons.com.au](mailto:events@goldcoastdragons.com.au).

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