

**Summary of Rule Changes** Changes to take effect as of: 23 January 2024, published 2 January 2024.

Rule	Existing Rule	Revised Rule	Rationale
RULE 29 WEIGHING OF COXSWAINS	<b>29.1</b> It is the inherent responsibility of a Club/School for ensuring coxswains make the minimum weight wearing their racing uniform as listed in Rule 28 and where underweight, carry the correct amount of dead weight in a recognized weight bag. A coxswain's weight needs not be registered with RV and need not weigh in at regattas except for Championship events.	<b>29.1</b> It is the inherent responsibility of a Club for ensuring coxswains who are competing in events excluding School events, U15, U17 & U19 events make the minimum weight wearing their racing uniform as listed in Rule 28 and where underweight, carry the correct amount of dead weight in a recognized weight bag. A coxswain's weight needs not be registered with RV and need not weigh in at regattas except for Championship events.	To exclude weigh ins for School events is in line with the CC recommendation of 29 August, 2023. For clarity, weigh in Rules apply at all events with the exception of U15, U17, U19, and School events.
RULE 58 WITHDRAWALS	<ul> <li>58.1 All withdrawals shall be made via Rowing Manager before 2:30pm on the last working day immediately preceding the regatta, or to the Regatta Secretary on the day of racing.</li> <li>58.2 If a Club or School withdraws from an event for which it is entered after 2.30pm on the last working day preceding the first race of the event, penalties established by RV shall apply. Where the reason for failing to scratch in time is due to medical reasons arising after the time frame above, then upon production of a medical certificate the penalties may be withdrawn by</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>58.1 Withdrawals shall only be made via Rowing Manager.</li> <li>58.2 A withdrawal once made is irrevocable.</li> <li>58.3 In the event of a withdrawal the Regatta Secretary may conduct a new draw.</li> <li>58.4 In the event of a withdrawal from an event before 2:30pm on the last working day immediately preceding the regatta the entry fee and deposit paid in respect of that crew shall be forfeited to the Regatta Secretary.</li> </ul>	Clarification to address <ul> <li>Clarify medical advice</li> <li>Include clear linkage to relevant Fines</li> </ul> <li>Where the reason for failing to withdraw in time is due to medical reasons arising after the time frame above, then upon production of written medical advice from an appropriately medical practioner (excluding St Johns Ambulance or SLSV or other safety crew)</li>

	RV. Where the reason for failing to scratch is due to reasons beyond the control of the Club or School, such as an accident, the penalty may be withdrawn by RV at its discretion upon receipt of a submission by the Club or School. This discretion does not apply to failure to appear for a race. 58.3 A withdrawal once made is irrevocable. 58.4 In the event of a withdrawal the entry fee and deposit paid in respect of that crew shall be forfeited to the Regatta Secretary. 58.5 If a crew or sculler does not start in any event for which it has entered, the entry fee and deposit paid in respect of that crew shall be forfeited to the Organising Committee and penalties established by RV shall apply. 58.6 In the event of a withdrawal the Regatta Secretary may conduct a new draw.	<ul> <li>58.5 In the event of a withdrawal, from an event after 2.30pm on the last working day immediately preceding the regatta, and 60 minutes before the scheduled event at that regatta, penalties set out at APPENDIX 13 Fines, Late Withdrawal shall apply.</li> <li>58.6 In the event of a withdrawal from, or a failure to appear at the start at the scheduled event at that regatta, penalties set out at APPENDIX 13 Fines, Non Starter shall apply.</li> <li>58.7 For clarity the penalties above are cumulative.</li> <li>58.8 Where the reason the crew or sculler has not withdrawn from any event within the timelines at Rules 58.4, 58.5 and 58.6, or is due to factors beyond the reasonable control of the Club or School, such as an accident, the penalty may be withdrawn by RV at its discretion upon receipt of a submission by the Club or School within 5 business days from the regatta from which they have withdrawn.</li> <li>For clarity, where the reason for failing to withdraw in time is due to medical reasons arising after the time frame above, then upon production of written medical advice from an appropriately medical practioner (excluding St Johns Ambulance or SLSV or other safety crew) by the Club or School the penalties may be withdrawn by RV.</li> </ul>	by the Club or School the penalties may be withdrawn by RV.
APPENDIX 13 RV FEES AND LEVIES	Fines Non Appearances (per crew/sculler, per occurrence) (By-Law 46) \$200.00 Late Scratchings (per crew/sculler, per occurrence) (By-Law 46) \$100.00	Fines (all inclusive of GST) Non Starter (per seat, per occurrence) (Rule 58) \$110.00 Late Withdrawal (per seat, per occurrence) (Rule 58) \$22.00	<ul> <li>Clarification to address</li> <li>Include GST</li> <li>Includes scalability by seat rather than a flat rate and therefore a single sculler will not be fined the same amount as an 8+.</li> </ul>

	Interfering with crews whilst competing in a race (By Law 46)\$200.00Failure to advise name of substitute (per occurrence) (By-Law 46)\$21.00Failure to provide a Level 1 BRO as rostered (per BRO, per occurrence)\$200.00Late Entries will be charged at double the applicable entry fee (RV to retain the Late Entry	Interfering with crews whilst competing in a race(By-Law to Rule 45 17 Crews removed from anEvent)\$220.00Failure to advise name of substitute (per occurrence) (By-Law to Rule 45, 18 Substitutes)\$22.00Failure to provide a Level 1 BRO as rostered (per BRO, per occurrence)\$220.00	<ul> <li>Include clear linkage to relevant Rules</li> </ul>
	Fee) (By-Law 46) Failure to pay by direct debit – By-Law 54 (7) lesser of 10% invoice or \$50	Late Entries will be charged at double the applicable entry fee (RV to retain the Late Entry Fee) (Rule 68.2) Failure to pay by direct debit – By-Law 54 (7) lesser of 10% invoice or \$50	
APPENDIX 19	By-law to Rule 45 16 Fines 16.1 Non-Starters and Scratchings 16.1.1 Non-starters will be regarded as anyone who fails to withdraw their entry in Rowing Manager before 2.30pm on the last working day immediately preceding the regatta, or if a regatta is not on a weekend, before the cut-off date for withdrawals specified in Rowing Manager. 16.1.2 Non-starters in any event who notify the Regatta Secretary or RV Office after the time mentioned in this law 16.1.1 - forfeiture of entrance fee and a fine set out in Appendix 13. 16.1.3 Crews or scullers who withdraw their entry in Rowing Manager prior to the time mentioned in this law 16.1.1 - forfeiture of entrance fee.	By-law to Rule 45 16 Not Used	Clarification to address <ul> <li>Removal of duplication. All at Rule</li> <li>58</li> </ul>