**Club Partnership Form**

**[INSERT CLUB NAME]**

All partners main contact names, addresses and telephone numbers.

e.g. club, school, local authority, other(s)

Context

* The agreement forms part of the **[INSERT CLUB NAME]** strategy in which the partners are **[INSERT NAME(S) OF PARTNER(S)]**.

Objectives

* To promote junior participation in Rowing within the **[INSERTNAME OF Local Authority area]*.***
* To promote links between the **[INSERT NAME(S) OF PARTNER(S)]** and the club, providing appropriate opportunities for further development and participation to those young people who may be interested.
* To give the club the fullest possible opportunity to present its programmes to possible new members.
* To optimise the provision of coaching expertise and leadership in the sport of Rowing at club level.

Core principles

* All activities will be conducted within the framework of a recognised safeguarding Policy and agreed minimum operating standards in relation to safeguarding and protecting children and young people.
* All activities will be run in accordance with Rowing Irelandguidelines, particularly relating to coaching and officiating qualifications and safe practices.
* All activities will operate in accordance with a code of conduct appropriate to Rowing, to be agreed between the partner(s) and the club, and in accordance with Rowing Irelandbest practice particularly relating to behaviour, clothing, warming-up and cooling-down, safe use of appropriate equipment, preparation and planning and the provision of positive feedback.

In the interests of equity, all activities will be accessible to all young people in the partnership and appropriate to their abilities. Particular attention should be made to promotion and charging policies, which should attract, encourage and accommodate young people:

* With physical, intellectual and sensory impairments and with multiple and profound impairments
* From both genders
* From ethnic minorities
* From disadvantaged communities

The partner’s commitment

* Ensure that Rowing activities are offered to all its performers.
* To support the promotion and development of Rowing at **[INSERT** **NAME OF CLUB]** subject to the regulations of the club constitution.
* Designate a member as liaison officer with responsibility for:
* All relevant press releases to the partner’s ‘publicity’ officer for information.
* Giving first consideration for the use of its facilities for Rowing activities to **[INSERT NAME OF CLUB]**.
* Collaborating with the club and the county association where appropriate to support programmes such as coach education.

The club’s commitment

* Appoint a named coach or official as the club’s youth liaison officer, with responsibility for:
* Advising partner(s) about all relevant activities, particularly those aimed at attracting junior participation.
* Ensuring that all club members referred by its partner(s) are welcomed to the club and allocated to an appropriately qualified coach.
* Collaborating with its partners in developing its Rowing provision, particularly in respect of appropriate equipment and coaching.
* Keeping the partner’s liaison officer advised of club members’ progress.
* Assist **[INSERT NAME OF PARTNER]** in the development of its Rowing programme, copying all the relevant information for press releases to the partner’s liaison officer the benefit of all club members by:
* Helping to run the partner’s out-of-hours programme.
* Helping to arrange competition officials for major partnership events.
* Arranging external visits to the club which may help to raise the profile of the sport, e.g. by inviting local and national sporting ambassadors to the club.
* Maintain the widest possible programme of coaching and competition, so that young people of all abilities have the opportunity to take part at their own level.
* Maintain a structure of charges designed to encourage junior participation regardless of economic circumstances.

Programme

* Weekly coaching between the months of **[FROM** **MONTH]**and**[TOMONTH]***.* Events during**September to August***.*
* Other programme activity e.g. coach education, Adults Other Than Teachers Programme.

Targets

* **[INSERT NUMBER]** children to become junior members of the club within 12 months of the start of the programme.
* **[INSERT NUMBER]** partner representatives to become qualified as assistant coaches/coach level 1.

Resources

* **[INSERT NAME OF PARTNER(S)]** will provide **[INSERT SPECIFIED DETAILS]** facilities.
* **[INSERT NAME OF CLUB]** will provide coaching expertise, with access to the county governing body support where required.
* Additional finance for items **[INSERT LIST OF ITEMS]** will be sought through the **[INSERT NAME OF funding source/programme]***.*

Review

* The working of the agreement will be reviewed on an annual basis through a meeting of the liaison officers of the partner(s) and the club, normally in **June** of each year. The agreement will be renewable from the 1st September each year.

SIGNED:

POSITION: DATE:

For **[INSERT NAME OF PARTNER(S)]**

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For **[INSERT NAME OF CLUB]**