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## **Club Affiliation 2022/23 Important notice to all clubs**

01/09/2022

Dear Club Secretary,

We hope you are keeping well and enjoyed some down time over the summer months. We have been busy with planning club support for the coming months and have lots of programs such as, Safety Advisor, Governance and coaching courses to support our clubs.

We hope you also enjoyed and took some well-deserved pride from the recent excellent results from world and European competition at Senior, U23, Junior, Coupe and Home International level. This year we saw the first Beach Sprints Home International match with very competitive rowing from our beach sprint team.

Our very successful rowing team were the only Irish team to bring home a gold medal at the recent European combined sport championships held in Munich.

Without your support at club level, these athletes would never have got to where they are, and we thank the clubs and volunteers for the time and commitment you have put into developing and supporting them.

We would also like to thank the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media and Sport Ireland for their generous continued investments in rowing, which has assisted with our clubs expanding their fleet and facilities allowing increased access to people who want to row throughout Ireland. This increased support to our clubs has also shown a substantial increase in standards and results.

As you know, our date for renewing club affiliation will change in line with the changes voted through by clubs at the last AGM.

The result of this change means that there will be a gap where the clubs will have to temporarily renew before January 2023. By agreement with the Board, we believe that the best approach is to temporarily renew affiliation for all clubs without charge provided the clubs submit the following information.

Current affiliated clubs who submit this information by Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> of September at 5pm will be automatically renewed until December 2022.

***To continue to be affiliated with Rowing Ireland please provide the following by 16<sup>th</sup> of September 2022: -***

- A confirmation letter stating that you have adequate and appropriate insurance to cover your members, your equipment and premises. Please provide us with a copy of your insurance cert.
- A copy of personal accident insurance for your club membership (if the club has one). (Please note; all members registered with Rowing Ireland are covered in the RI group policy).
- A full list of your paid members, honorary members and rowing members
- A list of your committee members
- An updated email address for your club Secretary and Captain with express permission from them and the club that Rowing Ireland can share this information on its website.
- Confirmation from the club to say they have permission from their members to share their data with Rowing Ireland on the tracker system.
- Your up-to-date club safety statement

The above information will then be reviewed and we will revert back to you should we need any further information or contact us at [clubsupport@rowingireland.ie](mailto:clubsupport@rowingireland.ie) if we can help or support you to complete the required information.

Clubs who do not submit this information will be deemed to have lapsed and no longer be affiliated from the 17<sup>th</sup> of September 2022.

As per last year's AGM, we will then request any final outstanding renewal information including payment of the annual fee for the calendar year of 2023. This will become due in the six weeks prior to 2023 to facilitate logistics.

The affiliation date for Rowing Ireland clubs going forward will now be the 1<sup>st</sup> of January each year. Clubs will have six weeks prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> of Jan to submit affiliation applications and affiliation fees. (Club Affiliation will open on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November and close on the 31<sup>st</sup> of December each year).

On the 1<sup>st</sup> working day of January each year a list of affiliated clubs will be posted on the Rowing Ireland website.

Yours

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