Racing with Class/Year Group Request

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| **Information** |
| Full name |  |
| Membership number |  |
| Date of birth |  |
| School year |  |
| Club |  |
| Name of school (If different) |  |
| Date started rowing/sculling |  |
| Rowing/sculling experience |  |
| School year when started to be too old |  |
| Lead coach |  |
| Lead coach email |  |
| Academic year request made for |  |
| Is this a repeat request from the previous year |  YES / NO |

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| **Reason for Request and Additional information** |
| *If the request is a repeat of previous year, then only new information need to be given. Information from previous year will be used. All confirmations are required.* |

If this is a repeat request there is no need to fill in the questions beyond this point.

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| **Parental Responsibility Confirmation** |
| I support the request |  YES / NO |
| Name |  |
| Relationship to the athlete |  |
| Contact email or number |  |
| Signature*(This can be on an attached letter)* |  |

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| **Additional supporting information**  |
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| **Club Welfare and/or Safeguarding Officer Confirmation** |
| I support the request |  YES / NO |
| Name |  |
| Contact email or number |  |
| Signature*(This can be on an attached letter)* |  |

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| **Additional supporting information**  |
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| **School confirmation** |
| I confirm that the information is correct |  YES / NO |
| I support the request |  YES / NO |
| Name of Head/Principal |  |
| Contact email or number |  |
| Signature of Head/Principal*(This can be on an attached letter)* |  |

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| **Additional supporting information** |
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*When completed, please email to* *membership@britishrowing.org*

**Extract from the British Rowing Rules of Racing - 1 April 2024**

**2-3d** A junior whose age band is higher than the age band for the school year group in which they have been placed may apply to the National Competition Committee to compete at one age band lower.

*The approval of both an individual who has parental responsibility for the athlete and the club welfare and safeguarding officer must be obtained before making the application.*

*As part of the application, the head/principal of the athlete’s school or college is required to confirm that the athlete is in that school year group.*

*The National Competition Committee after an individual assessment in each case may, or may not confirm the application which will apply for that academic year only. Further applications may be made in subsequent academic years.*

**2-3e** No more than one competitor per crew (coxes excepted) may make use of Rule 2-3d. Rule 2-3d does not apply to single scullers, pairs or doubles.

**2-3h** Coxes of junior crews must be juniors (except when Rule 2-3d applies).

**Notes:**

* The crew(s) train and race in the school age group.
* The athlete is in a younger academic year at school/college that the athlete’s academic birth year (i.e. age on 1 September)
* The athlete is rowing/sculling with his year group.
* In each case an assessment is carried out by the club/school/college
* In respect of a club, the approval of an individual who has parental responsibility for the athlete and the club welfare and safeguarding officer. The head/principal of the athlete’s school/college is required to confirm the number of students participating in rowing at the school.
* In respect of a school/college, the approval of an individual who has parental responsibility for the athlete and the head/principal.
* Information on the experience and competitive level of the athlete should be supplied.

**Process**

The process is:

1. Form sent to membership@britishrowing.org.
2. Form checked that all information has been filled in and the relevant signatures attached.
3. Form sent to National Competition Committee (NCC) sub-group for review and decision.

*If further information is requested from the club/school then the sub-group can request it.*

1. NCC sub-group communicates decision to Membership for action.
2. Membership will communicate the decision to the club/coach.

The whole process to be completed within 1 week.

**Appeal of the Decision**

The decision can be appealed via Membership (membership@britishrowing.org).

The initial appeals panel will be the Chair of the National Competition Committee, Chair of the Junior Rowing Committee and Deputy Chair of the Sport Committee. The appeals panel will give their decision within 2 weeks.

The final appeal is to the Grievance and Disciplinary Panel of British Rowing. (<https://www.britishrowing.org/about-us/governance/disciplinary-and-grievance-procedures/>)

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