

# Southeastern Regional Dragon Boat Association (SRDBA)

## Competition Point Rules: SRDBA Point Process

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### **Background**

The SRDBA point system shall award points to SRDBA Member Teams based on participation and placement in SRDBA sanctioned race circuit events as published on the SRDBA web site. Points are allocated to teams in accordance with their race category in fixed distance race events. See Table 1 SRDBA Race Categories for award of points.

### **A. Club Requirements**

1. SRDBA Clubs represent multiple teams/crews in various racing categories. The team/crew Captains entering an SRDBA sanctioned event shall verify that their club/team meets the following eligibility requirements:
2. SRDBA Clubs must compete in at least two (2) SRDBA sanctioned races with "only" current SRDBA crew members.
3. Clubs must be current members of the SRDBA.
4. All crew members must have been bona fide/current SRDBA members of the Club by March 31st, 2019 deadline to compete at Regionals.
5. All individuals must reside within the eight southern states to compete at SRDBA sanctioned races, as well as the Regional Championship. This will be strictly enforced and verified. Any SRDBA team breaking these rules will be disqualified. (see "Berth to the IDBF CCWC below, #5).
6. Individuals can not switch or join Clubs/teams on or after the March 3<sup>1st</sup>, 2019 deadline.

**Note:** *SRDBA club/crew membership for eligibility to enter the SRDBA championships be required by March 31st, prior to the Regional Championship race this year it is May 11, 2019 and that the 2019 race season is defined as 1 Jan - 31 Dec 2019 for completion of the two required SRDBA races.*

### **B. Race Circuit Competition Points Requirements**

1. The Race circuit award requires SRDBA Club teams/crews to accumulate race circuit points in at least two SRDBA sanctioned events in the current year, to qualify for the annual SRDBA Race Circuit award.
2. The Point System annual winner shall receive an SRDBA award based on their ranking in their assigned race division. A race division assignment is required to maintain fairness and promote competition across the divisions/categories of racing. Race division declarations must be sent to the SRDBA Competition Committee Chairperson (4dragonscoach@gmail.com) by August 31st of the current year or by default teams are placed in the race decision in which the team competed in at their last SRDBA Regional Competition. It is recognized that SRDBA teams may not attend the Regional Championship every year.

### **C. Berth to the IDBF Club Crew World Championships (CCWC)**

1. The primary method for awarding the CCWC berth is through the SRDBA Regional Championship competition. However, since it is rare that all SRDBA divisions/categories are represented at the Regional Championships, the SRDBA race circuit performance shall be used as a secondary method for awarding a berth to the IDBF CCWC in the year prior to the event.

2. The CCWC berth award requires clubs/teams to participate in at least two SRDBA events to qualify for the award of a CCWC berth.
3. All crew members must have been bona fide/current SRDBA members of the Club prior to the March 31st, 2019 deadline to compete at Regionals.
4. Individuals can not switch or join Clubs/teams on or after the March 31st deadline.
5. Individuals who reside outside of the SRDBA eight state Region must submit to the SRDBA Membership committee for consideration verifiable evidence of:
  - A. SRDBA membership prior to the March 31st deadline.
  - B. Proof of having attended practices with said SRDBA Club/Team per the IDBF rules of 12 weeks in two racing seasons.
6. The berth to the IDBF CCWC race is award to Member Club teams based on race circuit points ONLY for race divisions that are NOT competed at the SRDBA Regional Competition in the year prior to the CCWC race. For example, a Member Club with a Junior A division team competes in at least two SRDBA races during the race year prior to IDBF CCWC, but is not able to compete at the Regional Championships that year. If no other SRDBA regional teams compete in the Junior A division at Regionals, then the berth division would be offered to that Junior A division Club crew.

**D. Race Circuit Points Events**

1. All Dragon Boat Clubs within the eight state region and individuals are encouraged to join the SRDBA in January every year to promote the sport and insure their eligibility for race circuit points for the full season. The race circuit however, is dependent upon the festival organizers to also register their festivals with the SRDBA. Most of the time, festivals join SRDBA months in advance to receive recognition as a points race. However, this is not always the case.
2. Teams must check the SRDBA web site often for updates to the race circuit listing. The web address is: <http://www.srdba.org/events>

**E. Categories & Point Distribution**

The Table below lists the race categories and points allocation in accordance with placement and participation.

RACE CATEGORIES	Place	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup> or Higher Finish
	Points	15	11	8	6	3	2
1. Junior A Mixed							
2. Junior A Open							
3. Junior A Women							
4. Junior B Mixed							
5. Junior B Open							
6. Junior B Women							
7. Premier Mixed							
8. Premier Open							
9. Premier Women							
10. Senior A Mixed							
11. Senior A Open							
12. Senior A Women							
13. Senior B Mixed							
14. Senior B Open							
15. Senior B Mixed							
16. Senior C Mixed							
17. Senior C Open							
18. Senior C Mixed							
19. BCS/ACS/APC							

**F. General Allocation Rules for SRDBA Clubs/Teams**

- Points are based on the final race results received from an event organizer.
- Points are awarded to SRDBA Clubs/teams participating in the Final "SRDBA category" fixed distance race events. This means that teams participating in multiple distance events are eligible for points for the different race distances.
- Points are awarded only to the A Division competitors in events where age division categories are not competed.
- Points are awarded for age division race events whenever there are two or more competitors.
- Points may be awarded to teams participating but not finishing the final or consolation race due to unplanned events or environmental causes such as weather, and/or other circumstances. The organizer uses the existing times to rank order of the teams.
- Points are allocated to teams participating in "A Division Consolation" race events when the number of teams in the "A Division Final" race event is less than four participants. For example, when there are only three participants in the final race and two or more participants in the consolation event, then the points for 4th, 5th and 6th place would be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers into the consolation race.
- Two points are allocated to SRDBA teams that participate in a Division A final or consolation fixed distance race that place 6th or higher.

8. Points are not allocated to teams that "elect" not to participate in final race events.
9. After the race circuit events are completed and points compiled, teams with an equal number of points will be tied for that place in the Regional Standings. Example: Several premier mixed teams accumulated 6 points during the 2012 racing season, these teams are "tied for the same place" in the Regional Standing.
10. Teams competing in the SRDBA Regional Championships receive full point credit for their performance/participation in the Regional championship events even when there is only one team competing in the race category. Example: At the 2012 Regionals, four teams participated in race categories as the sole competitor. These teams were awarded 1st place points for their finish in the grand final event.