



**2013 Intercollegiate Rowing Association  
National Collegiate Championships Package**

**This is the only entry package.  
It contains all the forms you will need.**

**Declaration Forms are due Friday, May 10, 2013**

**Amended Entry Deadline is Monday, May 20, 2013**

**There are no preliminary entry forms.  
Complete this Packet and enter your boats on-line at  
[www.RegattaCentral.com](http://www.RegattaCentral.com) after selection date on  
Tuesday, May 21, 2013**

# **Intercollegiate Rowing Association 111<sup>th</sup> Annual National IRA Regatta Regatta Invitation and Entry**

To: Athletic Directors and Rowing Coaches  
Selected NCAA/ECAC Colleges

From: Thomas J. Sullivan, Regatta Director  
Bob Appleyard, Chief Referee  
Gary R. Caldwell, IRA Commissioner, ECAC Director of Rowing  
Ben Rosenfeld, ECAC Director of Sport Administration

**Re: 2013 IRA REGATTA INVITATION**

The Board of Stewards of the Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) invites your institution to declare its intentions to qualify and compete in the 111<sup>th</sup> Annual National IRA Regatta at Lake Natoma, CA on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, May 31, June 1 and 2, 2013.

This mailing provides all the essential information and material you'll need to gain entry into this year's Regatta. We urge you to review the entire packet carefully, and complete the appropriate forms in accordance with the specified deadline dates.

We urge you also to review the policies that are applicable to this Regatta, as outlined in the attached material. In particular, please note that the IRA Regatta, by long-standing tradition that dates back to 1895, is an invitational regatta. **As such, the IRA Board of Stewards has always reserved the right to accept or reject an entry in accordance with its Regatta policy.** Please also note that, in view of the prominence and popularity of the IRA Regatta, the Stewards have imposed a limit on the number of entries that will be accepted in any one event.

This year, there have been some minor changes to the qualification process for the championships, which are reflected in these documents. An updated set of entry qualifications has been included in this packet for your convenience.

As always, we look forward to receipt of your acceptance of this invitation and to greeting you and your crews at this year's IRA Regatta in late May and early June on Lake Natoma.

**Please note as you make travel plans that we have been advised that the regatta site will not be open for IRA trailers until after 9:00 AM on Wednesday, May 29, 2013. The course will open for practice at 12:00 PM that afternoon.**

cc: IRA Board of Stewards

**Institutional Declaration and Certification Form**  
**INTERCOLLEGIATE ROWING ASSOCIATION 2013 Regatta**

**Boating entries must be made at [www.regattacentral.com](http://www.regattacentral.com) after the selection date of Tuesday, May 21, 2013. This form MUST BE SIGNED BY THE DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS OR DESIGNATED ADMINISTRATOR AND RETURNED TO THE ECAC BY THE ENTRY DEADLINE**

**ENTRY DEADLINE:                      Friday, May 10, 2013**

\_\_\_\_\_ (College/University) is declaring its intentions to enter the following events if accepted in the 111<sup>th</sup> IRA Regatta on May 31, June 1 and 2, 2013 on Lake Natoma, CA

- (    ) Varsity Challenge Cup - Men's National Collegiate Championship Eights
- (    ) Kennedy Challenge Bowl - Men's Second Varsity Eights
- (    ) Steward's Cup - Men Freshman/Novice Eights
- (    ) Women's Lightweight National Collegiate Championship - Varsity Eights
- (    ) Men's Lightweight National Collegiate Championship - Varsity Eights
- (    ) Men's "OPEN" 4-oared w/cox
- (    ) Men's Varsity 4-oared w/cox
- (    ) Women's Lightweight 4-oared w/cox (Exhibition)
- (    ) Men's Lightweight 4-oared w/cox (Exhibition)

In consideration of the acceptance of our entries for the 111<sup>th</sup> National Intercollegiate Rowing Association Regatta at Lake Natoma, CA on May 31, June 1, and 2, 2013, we hereby waive any and all claims to damages that we might have against the Intercollegiate Rowing Association, The Eastern College Athletic Conference, and all participating or affiliated sponsors, representatives or agents, as a result of any and all injuries incurred by the members of our crews in connection with participation in the Regatta.

RETURN ONE COPY OF THESE FORMS VIA FAX OR EMAIL AND ONE SIGNED HARD COPY BY MAIL

TO: Gary R. Caldwell, IRA Commissioner  
ECAC  
1311 Craigville Beach Road  
Centerville, MA 02632  
FAX: (617)-629-7612 or email: [gcaldwell@ecac.org](mailto:gcaldwell@ecac.org)

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DATE                      SIGNATURE OF DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS OR DESIGNATED ADMINISTRATOR

**ADDITIONAL EVENT:**

- (    ) Francis Shields Bowl – Men's Master's Alumni Eights

Registration for this event may be made directly on [regattacentral.com](http://regattacentral.com) by you or your alumni group. If you choose the latter method please provide us with direct contact information below

Alumni Event Contact person name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Alumni Contact telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

AMENDED ENTRY FORM  
COMPLETE THIS FORM **ONLY** IF YOU HAVE INTENTIONS OF SCRATCHING ONE  
OR MORE DECLARED ENTRIES FROM CONSIDERATION FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO  
THE 2013 IRA CHAMPIONSHIPS

**AMENDED ENTRY DEADLINE:**                      **Monday, May 20, 2013 at 3:00 PM EDT (12:00 PM PDT)**

\_\_\_\_\_ (College/University) is declaring its intentions to enter the following events if  
accepted in the 111<sup>th</sup> IRA Regatta on May 31, June 1 and 2, 2013.

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DATE                      SIGNATURE OF HEAD COACH OR DESIGNATED ADMINISTRATOR

**INTERCOLLEGIATE ROWING ASSOCIATION**

National Championship Regatta – May 31, June 1 and 2, 2013  
Lake Natoma, CA

**PRELIMINARY REGATTA INFORMATION FORM**

**Please complete this form and return with your ENTRY DECLARATION by May 10, 2013, to:**

Gary R. Caldwell, IRA Commissioner  
ECAC, Intercollegiate Rowing Association  
1311 Craigville Beach Road  
Centerville, MA 02632  
FAX: (617)-629-7612 or email: gcaldwell@ecac.org

Any last minute changes to this questionnaire should be telephoned to Ben Rosenfeld (774) 487-8324 and FAXED to (508) 771-9481, ATTN: IRA.

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Head Coach: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach/School Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Coaches Phone: Office: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

School Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Administrator Responsible for Rowing Program:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title (AD, Other) \_\_\_\_\_

Office Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

Date/Time of Arrival in Camden: \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Location of Hotel Motel in Camden: \_\_\_\_\_

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**TEAM PROFILE**

Total Number in Group: \_\_\_\_\_; Coaches \_\_\_\_\_; Managers \_\_\_\_\_; Others: \_\_\_\_\_

Competitors/Spares \_\_\_\_\_; Males \_\_\_\_\_; Females \_\_\_\_\_

## 2013 IRA REGATTA

### Rowing Equipment Compliance Form

To: **Coaches - 2013 IRA Regatta**

**IMPORTANT:** Part A must be signed by all participating coaches: Part B if applicable.

Date:

A. My boat is in compliance with US Rowing 2013 Rules of Rowing 3-109 as follows:

**Footgear Release:** Where the feet of the competitor are held in place by footgear affixed to the structure of the boat, the design of such footgear shall provide for the quick release of the competitor's feet in case of emergency, without the use of hands. Any pull strings shall not allow the heel to raise more than 3 inches (7.5 cm) above the footboard to which it is anchored.

Heavyweight: \_\_\_\_\_

Lightweight: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print/Type Name

B. My boat is in compliance with US Rowing 2013 Rules of Rowing 3-110 as follows:

**Boat Construction for Coxswains:** A boat in which the body of the coxswain is enclosed or partially enclosed within the hull of the boat shall conform to the following requirements:

a. The opening of the boat through which the coxswain enters and exits shall be at least 2.30 feet (70 cm) long when measured along the longitudinal axis of the boat. For a length of at least 1.64 feet (50 cm), the opening shall be as wide as the inner hull of the boat itself.

b. The inner surface within which the coxswain's body rests shall be smooth and free of any obstacles, devices, or other structures that would hinder quick exit.

Heavyweight: \_\_\_\_\_

Lightweight: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print/Type Name

**DUE DATE: Friday, May 10, 2013**

**RETURN WITH DECLARATION FORM**

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## **2013 IRA Championships Regatta Notice: Please find below:**

- I. Eligibility of Colleges and Universities and their respective teams to be members of the Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA)
- II. 2013 Intercollegiate Rowing Association Regatta Championships Events and Awards
- III. 2013 IRA Championships Dates, Hosts, and Site
- IV. 2013 Selection Criteria for Participating Crews (Events 1-9, per section II)

**Please note as you make travel plans that we have been advised that the regatta site will not be open for IRA trailers until after 9:00 AM on Wenesday, May 29, 2013. The course will open for practice at 12:00 PM that afternoon.**

### **I. Eligibility of Colleges and Universities and their respective teams to be members of the Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA):**

A. A four-year college or university accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency, and that is located in the United States, its territories or possessions, is eligible to become an affiliate member of the Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) if it sponsors at least one IRA eligible team as described in Section B below.

B. Heavyweight Men's and Lightweight Men's and Lightweight Women's teams seeking participation in the Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Championships must meet the following conditions to be recognized as eligible teams:

- (1) The team officially shall have been accorded varsity status by the institution's president or chancellor or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics;
- (2) The team(s) is(are) administered by the department of intercollegiate athletics;
- (3) The eligibility of student-athletes participating on the team(s) shall be reviewed and certified by a staff member designated by the institution's president or chancellor or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics policy;
- (4) Staff member(s) responsible for the certification shall be the same staff member(s) that are responsible for certifying eligibility for the institution's other intercollegiate varsity programs.

### **II. 2013 Intercollegiate Rowing Association Regatta Championships Events and Awards**

1. IRA Men's National Championship Varsity Heavyweight Eight (Varsity Challenge Cup)
  2. IRA Men's National Championship Lightweight Eight (The 1922 Cup)
  3. IRA Women's National Championship Lightweight Eight (The Camden County Cup)
  4. IRA Men's 2<sup>nd</sup> Varsity Eight (Kennedy Challenge Cup)
  5. IRA Men's Freshman Eight (The Stewards Cup)
  6. IRA Men's Open Four (IRA Open Fours Trophy)
  7. IRA Men's Varsity Four (Eric W. Will Trophy)
  8. IRA Women's Lightweight Four (Exhibition Event)
  9. IRA Men's Lightweight Four (Exhibition Event)
  10. IRA National Champion Team Trophy (Jim Ten Eyck Memorial Trophy)
  11. IRA most improved team trophy (Clayton Chapman Award)
- In addition, the ECAC will administer the 2013 Alumni Exhibition Eights Race (Francis Shields Bowl)

### III. 2013 IRA Championships Dates, Hosts, and Site

The 111<sup>th</sup> Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championships Regatta will be held on the Lake Natoma, CA Thursday, May 31, Friday, June 1, and Saturday, June 2, 2013. The Championships will be co-hosted by the ECAC, Sacramento State University Aquatics Center and the Rancho Cordova Travel & Tourism Corporation.

### IV. 2013 IRA Selection Criteria [\(updated February 18, 2013\)](#)

#### IRA Men's National Championship Varsity Heavyweight Eight

- This event will be limited to **24** entries.
- If the number of IRA eligible declarations in the IRA Men's National Championship Varsity Heavyweight Eight is less than or equal to **24**, allocated entries will be awarded and at-large entries may be awarded up to a limit of **24** total. If there are more than **24** IRA eligible declarations, allocation of entries will be made according to the following:

| <u>Regional Qualifying Regatta</u>       | <u>Qualifying Entry Allocations</u> |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| EARC Sprints Championships**             | First nine IRA eligible finishers   |
| Pac-12 Championships**                   | First three IRA eligible finishers  |
| WIRA Championships **                    | First two IRA eligible finishers    |
| SIRA Regatta                             | First IRA eligible finisher         |
| Dad Vail Regatta                         | First IRA eligible finisher         |
| ECAC National Invitational Championships | First IRA eligible finisher         |
| At-Large <sup>†</sup>                    | Remaining available allocations     |

- <sup>†</sup> Any entry participating in a qualifying regatta but not qualifying at that regatta, will be considered an At-Large entry. Any unused regional allocations will revert to the At-Large pool.
- <sup>†</sup> If a crew qualifies at more than one regatta, the second of those qualifying spots will become an at-large bid determined by the Selection Committee.
- **\*\*IRA member schools with league or conference affiliation, are eligible for automatic qualification only at their respective regular season Championships (i.e. EARC Sprints, Pac-12 Championships, WIRA Championships).**

#### IRA Men's Heavyweight 2<sup>nd</sup> Varsity Eight

- This event will be limited to **24** entries.
- Participation in this event is limited to those institutions whose Men's Varsity Heavyweight Eight has been entered in the 2013 IRA Regatta.

#### IRA Men's Heavyweight Freshman Eight

- This event will be limited to **24** entries.
- Participation in this event is limited to those institutions whose Men's Varsity Heavyweight Eight has been entered in the 2013 IRA Regatta.

## **IRA Men's Open Fours**

- **This event will be limited to 24 entries.**
- Institutions qualifying a Men's Varsity Heavyweight and a Men's Freshman Heavyweight eight will be permitted to enter the Men's Open Fours race. At least one rower in this event must be a member of the freshman squad and at least one rower must be an upperclassmen. The coxswain may be a member of either the varsity or freshman squad.

## **IRA Men's National Championship Lightweight Eight**

- This event will be limited to 12 entries.
- Selection will be based on the following criteria [Note: Unaccepted bids will not be re-allocated to additional crews]:
  1. Maximum of seven (7) varsity lightweight crews from the EARC **(an Eighth EARC will be permitted if no eligible entries are received from #2-#4 below)**
  2. Top two (2) **IRA eligible** varsity lightweight crews from the Dad Vail Regatta.
  3. Top (1) **IRA eligible** varsity lightweight crew from the Pacific Coast Rowing Championships.
  4. Two (2) **IRA eligible** non-EARC varsity team through at-large bids.

## **IRA Women's National Championship Lightweight Eight**

- This event will be limited to 12 entries.
- Selection will be based on the following criteria [Note: Unaccepted bids will not be re-allocated to additional crews]:
  1. Top three (3) varsity lightweight crews from the EAWRC Regatta.
  2. Top two (2) varsity lightweight crews from the Dad Vail Regatta.
  3. Top (1) finisher varsity lightweight crew from the Pacific Coast Rowing Championships, the SIRA Championships and the WIRA Championships (total of three (3)).
  4. Four (4) at-large bids.

## **IRA Varsity Four with Coxswain**

## **IRA Women's Lightweight Four**

## **IRA Men's Lightweight Four**

- These events are open to any IRA affiliate member institution.
- There is a limit of one entry per eligible IRA member institution.