



Three Rivers
Rowing
Association

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CREW LEADER APPLICATION - SWEEP

Printed Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Team affiliation: _____

DUTIES OF A CREW LEADER:

The Crew Leader is responsible for the safety of the crew. Toward that end, the Crew Leader must consult and comply with the parameters of the Safety Matrix, including being aware of current river flow, temperature and expected weather conditions during the outing. The Crew Leader shall be familiar with local traffic patterns and river hazards, including bridges and buoys. Crew Leaders shall ensure that coxswains (if applicable) are experienced and familiar with local river traffic patterns and hazards. For non-coxed boats, the crew leader shall be the bow rower, responsible for steering the boat. For 8+, 4+ and 4x, these rules apply in daylight hours only except as specified below.

Sweep boat crew leader:

A Crew Leader must accompany any group of members wishing to take out one club sweep boat (8+, 4+, 2-) outside of a coached practice, or unaccompanied by a TRRA-certified coach in a launch. For 8+ and 4+, these rules apply in daylight only, between the hours of sunrise and sunset. Crew leaders wishing to take out an 8+ or 4+ in the dark must be accompanied by a launch with a driver approved by TRRA who has been granted permission by TRRA staff to use a TRRA launch for that outing.

The crew leader is responsible to ensure that he or she has verified in advance with the TRRA staff that the shell is available. Scheduled TRRA programs, including but not limited to juniors, masters and corporate programs have priority during their respective scheduled times for the use of TRRA equipment.

Coach's/E.D.'s certification of qualifications to be a Crew Leader:

Coach's/E.D's name (printed): _____ Team affiliation: _____

I certify that I am personally familiar with the above-named applicant and that he or she meets the following qualifications to be a **Sweep Boat Crew Leader** (check all that apply and explain any exceptions below):

- _____ Is a TRRA boat and facilities member in good standing.
- _____ Is at least 18 years of age.
- _____ Has rowed a minimum of a year (Spring through Fall) at TRRA. If the applicant has not rowed at TRRA within the preceding one-year period, state when and how long the applicant did row at TRRA: From _____ (year) to _____ (year).
- _____ Has coxed at TRRA a minimum of 10 times or a minimum of 10 hours. If the applicant has not coxed at TRRA within the preceding one-year period, state when the applicant last coxed at TRRA: _____.
- _____ Demonstrates a knowledge of TRRA safety rules, river traffic patterns and river hazards.
- _____ Demonstrates knowledge of safe equipment handling practices.





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If the applicant lacks any of the above qualifications, but is being recommended as a Crew Leader, please explain:

Coach's/E.D's signature: _____ Date: _____

Applicant's verification:

I certify that I have read and will comply the above duties if my application to become a Crew Leader is accepted. I further certify that I have (check all that apply):

- Viewed the USRowing Safety Video this year and will do so on a yearly basis.
- Attended/viewed TRRA bi-annual Safety Meeting/videos for the current period and will do so each Spring and Fall.

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____

_____ **APPLICATION ACCEPTED**

BY: _____

TITLE: _____

DATE: _____

_____ **APPLICATION DENIED**

BY: _____

TITLE: _____

DATE: _____

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