



## **RNSW Laws of Boat Racing Amendments**

submitted by the Umpires Commission  
endorsed by the Board of Rowing New South Wales

### **13. (c) POSITIONS AT THE START**

Changing of the lane system so that all courses in NSW reflect the International and National numbering scheme and that is that Lane 1 is now on the coxswains left side as he/she looks down the course from start to finish as is the case at SIRC

#### **13. (c) POSITIONS AT THE START**

<b>Existing Law</b>	<b>Proposed Amendment</b>
No. 1 position shall be on the right-hand side looking from the starting line to the finish followed by the succeeding positions in numerical order as drawn. However at Sydney International Regatta Centre lane one will be on the left hand side of the coxswain.	No. 1 position shall be on the left-hand side looking from the starting line to the finish followed by the succeeding positions in numerical order as drawn.

### **9. (k) REGATTA ENTRIES**

This is to give the referee time to mainly change a heat to a final if number of crew withdrawing makes say 2 heats into 1 final. Example: With 30 minute notice most crews are already on the water and this extra time would help stop the crews rowing to the start only to be told there is no heat only a final in 2 hours time.

#### **9. (k) REGATTA ENTRIES**

<b>Existing Law</b>	<b>Proposed Amendment</b>
If a crew desires to withdraw from a race notice thereof shall be given in accordance with Schedule 14 of the Rules by a representative of the Club concerned, not later than thirty (30) minutes before the advertised starting time of such race, to the Referee who shall enter such withdrawal in the Withdrawal Register.	If a crew desires to withdraw from a race notice thereof shall be given in accordance with Schedule 14 of the Rules by a representative of the Club concerned, not later than sixty (60) minutes before the advertised starting time of such race, to the Referee who shall enter such withdrawal in the Withdrawal Register.

**20. (g) DUTIES OF THE STARTER & ALIGNER and 21. (f) (i) DUTIES OF THE UMPIRE**

The “Yellow Card” is creeping into NSW and although not in the rules it is widely used and most rowers know of it’s existence from Soccer and other such sports and rowing interstate

**20. (g) DUTIES OF THE UMPIRE**

<b>Existing Law</b>	<b>Proposed Amendment</b>
<p>The start area is a quiet zone and the Starter shall award a warning (false start) to the crew/s of any coach or supporter who is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) in the precinct of the start, and/or</li><li>(ii) causing noise or interference.</li></ul> <p>Should the party concerned remain within the precinct after the awarding of the warning then the crew/s concerned may be removed from the race at the discretion of the Starter.</p>	<p>The start area is a quiet zone and the Starter shall award a yellow card (false start) to the crew/s of any coach or supporter who is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) in the precinct of the start, and/or</li><li>(ii) causing noise or interference.</li></ul> <p>Should the party concerned remain within the precinct after the awarding of the yellow card then the crew/s concerned may be removed from the race at the discretion of the Starter.</p>

**21. (f) (i) DUTIES OF THE UMPIRE**

<b>Existing Law</b>	<b>Proposed Amendment</b>
<p>In the exercise of his duties the Umpire may apply disciplinary sanctions to a crew or person that commits an offence against these Laws, refuses to obey instructions or does not show deference to a member of the Jury.</p> <p>Such sanctions may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) A warning. Such warning shall have the same effect as if such crew made or caused a false start in the race in which such crew was about to compete.</li></ul>	<p>In the exercise of his duties the Umpire may apply disciplinary sanctions to a crew or person that commits an offence against these Laws, refuses to obey instructions or does not show deference to a member of the Jury.</p> <p>Such sanctions may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) A Yellow Card. Such Yellow Card shall have the same effect as if such crew made or caused a false start in the race in which such crew was about to compete.</li></ul>