

ST NEOTS CHARITY DRAGON BOAT RACE ENTRY TERMS & CONDITIONS

DEPOSIT

Crew entry is not confirmed until St Neots Town Council receive payment of the non-refundable deposit. Once the application has been sent, details for how to pay the deposit will be sent.

St Neots Town Council must mention there is only 24 team spaces available, and a limit on each category, which will be allocated on a first come first serve basis to the teams that have paid their deposit.

BALANCE PAYMENT

Full entry payment must be received at least 4 weeks prior to race day for Standard Crew entries and 8 weeks prior for Sponsors.

MAXIMUM TEAM SIZE

9m boats are provided for this event: a maximum of 10 paddlers plus a drummer (subject to overall weight of the crew and prevailing conditions) will be permitted in the dragon boat for each race.

PROVISION

The contracted event company, New Wave Ltd will provide on the day of the event: Dragon boats, paddles, buoyancy aids, full safety cover via dedicated safety boat, fully qualified & experienced event staff, professional PA system, race control, results board, 1st place engraved glass winner's trophies, winner's medals for each member of the winning team, auxiliary equipment and event manager, public liability insurance @ £10 million and employers liability insurance @ £10 million.

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

No previous experience of dragon boat racing is necessary to enter the competition and all delegates accept that there is an inherent risk with dragon boat racing and that they will be competing at their own risk. In the interests of safety, the minimum age of 16 years and minimum height 130cm is set for competitors.

WATER SAFETY

All able-bodied crew members must be declared competent in deep water and capable of swimming 50 meters with the aid of an approved personal flotation device (buoyancy aid). New Wave Ltd will provide such buoyancy aids for competitors use whilst on the water. Special provision will be made for competitors who register as having special needs. Compliance with this provision is the responsibility of the Crew Captain.

SAFETY WHILST IN THE BOAT

In circumstances where any team member(s) are, in the opinion of any official from New Wave Ltd. suffering from the effects of drugs, excess alcohol, deliberately trying to capsize the boat or behaving in such a way that could result in either damage to the boats or a danger to the crew, then those officials have the authority to request the Event Director cancel that team's race time or in more serious cases, disqualify the team member(s) from further participation in the day. Where such person(s) is disqualified but refuse to leave the crew, it is the responsibility of the Crew Captain to remove the disqualified person(s). If the disqualified person(s) still refuses to leave, then the whole team may be disqualified from further participation in the day. No refund will be due to any person / team disqualified and the Event Director's decision is final.

FORCE MAJEURE

Any inability of the organisers (St Neots Town Council and Race the Dragon Ltd) to complete the event due to circumstance beyond its control (e.g. the effects of inclement weather, flooding, vandalism, theft, strike, contagion, civil disorder, war or as the result of any lawful direction or order issued by an authorised person; (this list is not exhaustive) will not entitle entered crews to compensation.