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REGISTRATION Barrie Dragon Boat Festival

1) TEAM REGISTRATION

The registration fee for the Barrie Dragon Boat Festival is \$1,000.00 for Early Bird, before March 31, and \$1,200.00 from April 1 to August 1 of the respective event year.

Team registration fees go to help offset the costs of the Barrie Dragon Boat Festival.

All teams are guaranteed three races on race day, weather permitting. For races and practices your team will have the use of one dragon boat, 21 PFDs and 20 paddles.

On Festival Day, the dragon boat will have its ceremonial head and tail attached, plus the drum and drumstick.

The Team Captain shall be responsible for the conduct of his/her team, and for communicating and distributing all practice and race information to the team. They are responsible to ensure that team members submit a completed waiver form to the Dragon Boat Coordinator prior to boarding the boat for their first practice, and/or collecting and submitting the final roster and waivers to the event office no later than **August 1 of the event year**.

2) PRACTICES

Registration practices are booked on a first come, first choice basis. The Moore Dragonslayer and Barrie's Ribbons of Hope boat will be on the water all summer and additional practice times can be purchased by teams.

PLEASE NOTE: All practices are run out of the Heritage Park Marina.

3) STEERSPERSON

If your team does not have an experienced steersperson the Festival will provide one on race day, at no additional cost to your team. If your team does have an experienced steersperson on their roster, the Barrie Dragon Boat Festival reserves the right to pull a steersperson on race day if there is concern for the safety of the paddlers and equipment.

4) TEAM VILLAGE

Team tents will not be provided by the Barrie Dragon Boat Festival. Teams are assigned a tent site in the Team Village. If you have a preference please note it on your registration form.

Maximum tent size is 12' x 12' due to city permit requirements – **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

PLEASE NOTE: Canopies only.

5) PLEDGES

In **addition** to the registration fee, **every dragon boat team registered in the Festival must also guarantee a minimum of \$500 in pledges to charity.**

These pledges can be for Barrie Public Library, **or** for a charity of your choice. Your team can also split their pledges, sharing support between Barrie Public Library and another charity. Barrie Public Library is traditionally a community facilitator and, as such, we are excited to be able to include other local charities and non-profits in this fund-raising opportunity available through the Barrie Dragon Boat Festival. **Please note** that when you register your dragon boat team, you must specify which organization will be the recipient of your pledges, and that organization must be a registered charity or non-profit. When you register to support Barrie Public Library charitable tax receipts will be issued for donations of \$10 or more. **Please check with your charity of choice for their own policy regarding receipting for pledges.** Teams registering to support Barrie Public Library can print off the Library pledge form available on the Festival website. **Please note: this pledge form is specific to the registered charitable information of Barrie Public Library** – if you choose to pledge to another charity then you must use a pledge form geared to that charity.

6) CHALLENGE CUPS

Entry into the Challenge Cup categories is at the invitation of the organizing committee of the Barrie Dragon Boat Festival once you have notified us of your eligibility. Your request for consideration in the Challenge Cup categories must be listed on your registration form.

7) TEAM CAPTAIN MEETING

During the Dragon Boat Festival season, there are two mandatory meetings for Team Captains at **the Barrie Public Library at 6 p.m. in the Angus Ross Room.** **PLEASE NOTE:** Out of town Team Captains must contact the Festival Coordinator Office to make arrangements for meeting minutes to be sent to them.

8) REFUND POLICY

- 50% refund if registration is cancelled prior to May 31
- 25% refund if registration is cancelled between June 1 and July 4
- No refunds after July 4
- In the event of extreme weather conditions that result in the cancellation of races, there will be no refunds.