## ONTARIO UNIVERSITY DEVELOPMENT EVENT REGULATIONS

## PREAMBLE **Mission Statement:** The mission of the Ontario University Development events, offered within the OUA Championship Regatta, is to provide a competitive regatta for Novice and Junior Varsity Student-Athletes. **Guiding Principle:** Any Student-Athlete racing in a Development event at the OUA Championships may not also race in a Varsity event at the same Championships, except for substitutions. DEFINITIONS Student-Athlete A rower registered as a full-time student at the competing institution. Novice: A Student-Athlete who has not competed in the sport of rowing prior to September 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year. Novice Crew: A crew comprised solely of Novice Student-Athletes. A Student-Athlete who: Junior Varsity (JV): 1. Represents an institution that does not have a sanctioned OUA Varsity rowing team: 2. Is not competing in a Varsity event within the same Championships; OR, 3. Is defined as Novice, but for which no other opportunity to compete exists. These athletes may race in any of the Junior Varsity boat classes, as required. Junior Varsity Crew: A crew comprised solely of Junior Varsity Student-Athletes. Substitutions: Student-Athletes racing in the Development Regatta may be listed as spares for the Varsity events, but may only race in a Varsity event with approval by the Regatta Chair, as per normal OUA Rules & Regulations with respect to substitutions. Coxswains: Must meet the definition of a Student-Athlete, but is allowed to compete in both Development and Varsity events, provided they meet the definitions outlined above to compete in Novice and/or Junior Varsity events. Events: JV Women's 2x JV Men's 2x JV Men's 4+ JV Women's 4+ Novice Women's 8+ Novice Men's 8+ Novice Women's 4+ Novice Men's 4+ Novice Women's 2x Novice Men's 2x Para event\* \*A para event (or series of Para events) will be included in the schedule if entries warrant. Coaches should email Andrew Backer (andrew@rowontario.ca before submitting a para entry to discuss event designation and time adjustment, if applicable. **Event Review:** If an event has received entries from less than 2 institutions, it will be replaced by an alternate or Exhibition event.