



# PENANG INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT REGATTA 2023

**TELUK BAHANG DAM, PENANG, MALAYSIA**  
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2 & 3 December 2023

## INFORMATION BULLETIN 2 (A)

*(Please take note that the information in this bulletin shall supersede the earlier bulletin).*

### SPECIAL ATTENTION!!

We have confirmed to race at the original race venue ie. **Teluk Bahang dam, on the island of Penang**. We would like to apologise for any inconvenience caused on the change of venue.

Some 80 teams from near and far will be participating in this regatta; they are from Australia, Brunei, Canada, China, Chinese Taipei, Dubai (UAE), Hong Kong-China, Indonesia, Japan, Macau-China, New Zealand, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Singapore, South Korea, United Kingdom, USA, Vietnam and not forgetting many other states of Malaysia too.

### Competition Regulation and Racing Rules

The Penang International Dragon Boat Regatta 2023 will comply with the PIDBF Competition Regulations.

### Divisions, Racing & Competition Classes and Distances

The Competition Divisions, Racing and Competition Classes that will be contested are listed below:

	Event	400 m Straight Course	400 m Relay (2 boats from each team)	Tug of War
1	Penang Premier Open (Penang teams only)	22 Racers		
2	International Premier Open	12 Racers	12 Racers	6 Paddlers
3	International Premier Mixed	22 Racers	12 Racers	6 Paddlers
4	International Premier Women	12 Racers		
5	International Senior 40 Open	12 Racers	12 Racers	6 Paddlers
6	International Junior U24 Open	12 Racers	12 Racers	6 Paddlers

## Division

**Premier** – the primary class of racing. There are no restrictions on competitor's age. Open to all participants.

**Senior 40** – **Aged 40 years and above** (born on or before year 1983); **except for the drummer.**

**Junior Under 24** – **Aged between 12 years and 23 years old** (born on or between year 2000 and 2011; **except for the steerer (helm).**

## Racing Class

**Open** – no restriction on participant composition (gender)

**Women** – for female participants only **including the Drummer and Steerer**

**Mixed – 22 Racers:** **minimum** of eight (**8**) and **maximum** of ten (**10**) paddlers of **either gender**. Drummer & steerer/helm can be any gender.

**Mixed – 12 Racers:** **minimum** of four (**4**) and **maximum** of five (**5**) paddlers of **either gender**. Drummer & steerer/helm can be any gender.

## Race Format

A) **Straight course** - 400 meter

- Teams may race through Rounds, Heats, Repechage, Semi Finals & Finals.

B) **Relay** – 400 meter

- Each team must form **Two (2) 12 Racers boat** (Boat A & Boat B) to race over a 400 m course.
- Boat A from each team will start at the Finish Line (in either Lane 2, 4 or 6) and race to the 400 m Start Line.
- When Boat A reaches the Start Line, the drummer will pick the flag and throw it up high towards the sky; then Boat B (in either Lane 1, 3 or 5) will then race back to the Finish Line to complete the relay race.
- Best time taken for Boat B at Finish Line will be determined as the winner.

C) **Tug Of War**

- Two teams will compete each time.
- Each team will be seated on the last 3 seats on either side of a boat, facing the opponent team.
- Teams will paddle to move the boat towards the opponent team.
- The team that manages to move the boat 1 meter in the direction from the center line will be determined as the winner.

## Racing Style

Drummer and paddlers must be seated.

## Race Schedule

- 2 December 2023 (Saturday) – 400m Relay & Tug of War **(running simultaneously) \***

**\*Special Advice - please do not assign the same player for these 2 events.**

- 3 December 2023 (Sunday) – 400m Straight course

## Prizes

Trophies and medals will be awarded to the winners.

## Type of Boats Provided

**Standard boat (22-seater boat)** for all categories.

## No. of Competitors

**A competitor can only participate in one (1) team only.**

Straight Course	22 Racers	Mixed		12 Racers	Mixed	
		Male	Female		Male	Female
paddlers	18 to 20	8 to 10	8 to 10	8 to 10	4 to 5	4 to 5
drummer	1	1		1	1	
steerer	1	1		1	1	
reserves	4	2	2	2	1	1
<b>Maximum competitors</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	

Relay	Boat A	Boat B	Mixed	
			Male	Female
paddlers	8 to 10	8 to 10	4 to 5	4 to 5
drummer	1	1	1	
steerer	1	1	1	
reserves	2	2	1	1
<b>Maximum competitors</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	

Tug of War	6 Racers	Mixed	
		Male	Female
paddlers	6	3	3
drummer	-	-	-
steerer	-	-	-
reserves	2	1	1
<b>Maximum competitors</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>

### Entry Requirement

Each club can form a **maximum of two (2) teams** under the same team name ie. Team A & Team B.

### Outline Programme

Date	Time	Details	Venue
Sunday 26 November	3 pm to 5 pm	Practice Session (Penang teams only)	Race Venue
Friday 1 December	9 am to 4 pm	Practice Session ( <b>except Penang teams</b> )	Race Venue
	5 pm to 8 pm	Welcome Reception cum Team Manager's Meeting ( <b>compulsory</b> )	To be advised
Saturday 2 December	8 am to 5 pm	<b>Race Day – Relay &amp; Tug of War</b>	Race Venue
	5 pm to 6 pm	Prize Presentation	Race Venue
Sunday 3 December	8 am to 5 pm	<b>Race Day – 400m straight course</b>	Race Venue
	5 pm to 6 pm	Prize Presentation	Race Venue
	7.30 pm to 10 pm	Celebration Dinner	To be advised

The above program is provisional and is provided to assist crews with their initial planning. This program is subject to changes.

**Confirmed Entry Form [ \*Closing date: 31 August 2023]**

Submission through this link  <https://bit.ly/PIDBR2023Entry>

**RM100 fee per event – for Straight Course and Relay**

**RM50 fee – for Tug of War**

## **Crew List (payment and submission at the next Bulletin)**

**RM15 fee per participant** - for photo tag

### **Bank Details**

Bank Name : Maybank  
Bank Address : Penang Road branch  
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Komtar  
10000 Georgetown  
Pulau Pinang  
Bank Swift Code: MBBEMYKL  
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Account No. : 5570 5450 1765

### **Ground Arrangement Package**

Those interested, please email to us for details.

### **Contact Information**

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