

# GROA training

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# Agenda

- Scenarios



# Scenario 1

- You are the umpire for the final race at the USSAR sprints MA 8+
- There was a strong cross wind at the start and all crews were blown over by a lane or two.
- You tried to maintain a fair race, but some crews had no lanes to follow.
- At the end of the race 5 of the 6 crews objected claiming that they were washed. You did not notice the wash.
- What do you do?



# Scenario 1

- Re-row the race

# Scenario 2

- You are the umpire of a race. There are three boats that are very slow and are holding up the next race.
- It is the JMU14 8x race – what do you do?
- It is the JMU19 B final – what do you do?



# Scenario 2

- There is nothing that you can do, but warn the next umpire to delay their race.

# Scenario 3

- You are at boat weighing, and a boat has been brought in to be weighed. It is 0.2 kg underweight.
- The crew says they weighed in earlier and the umpire said that their boat was fine.
- What do you do?



# Scenario 3

- Go through the full procedure and if the boat is still underweight, notify the PoJ that the boat is underweight.
- It is important that Umpires do not tell the crews their boat is fine. It is OK to tell them the rules and let them judge for themselves.



# Scenario 4

- You are at boat weighing.
- The first boat weight is 0.4 kg underweight
- You weigh the test weights and they are correct.
- You weigh the boat the second time and it is 0.2 kg underweight.
- The coach claims that the scales are not accurate and that you cannot relegate the crew.
- What do you do?



# Scenario 4

- Go through the full boat weighing procedure again.

# Scenario 5

- You are at control commission at the incoming jetty where you are getting the boats to be weighed
- You tell the crew that their boat needs to be weighed.
- They promptly wet the shoes of the boat.
- The boat is still in the water, what do you do?
- The boat has already been lifted out of the water, what do you do?



# Scenario 5

- Be careful about telling a crew the boat is to be weighed before it is lifted out of the water.
- If a crew wets the shoes when the boat is already out of the water, they can be excluded, as this is paramount to cheating.

# Scenario 6

- You are at control commission doing athlete weighing
- One of the coxes has not weighed in in time. He arrives less than 1 hour before the race. He says that he was racing a race on the water so could not be there in time.
- What do you do?



# Scenario 6

- Check that he was indeed on the water and accept his excuse
- Inform him that he can weigh in 1 to 2 hours before his first race

# Scenario 7

- You are the judge at the finish at a GSRF regatta. The start times were done correctly, however both finish time keepers used the wrong button to take the splits.
- This happened in heat 1 of three heats where the progression to medal placings is on times
- What do you do?



# Scenario 7

- You will have the time for the first boat crossing the line for heat 1
- Using this time and the times of the other crews you can work out the various scenarios based on the progression rules
- Resolve issue by:
  - Adding extra crews to final
  - Re-rowing some crews



# Scenario 8

- In the heads reace, one of the crews tipped. A crew following had to stop rowing. The umpires were too far away and did not see this to warn the crew to move over.
- The crew objects at the end of the race, and the umpire overruled the objection.
- The team manager protests and asks that the affected crew be allowed into lane 9 for the final.
- You are the PoJ, what do you do?



# Scenario 8

- Allow the crew to row in lane 9

# Scenario 9

- A race is started and the crews in lanes 2 and 3 immediately clash. The umpire stops the race and restarts without awarding any penalties
- After the restart the crew in lane 2 breaks a blade and immediately objects. The umpire tells them that there is no breakage zone and does not stop the race.
- A protest is submitted after the race, saying that the blade was damaged by the clash and that they should be allowed a re-row.
- You are the PoJ, what do you do?



# Scenario 9

- The crew in lane 2 probably had their blade damaged in the clash
- The PoJ can call a Jury meeting or may rule immediately
- If this was a heat, allow an extra boat in the next round
- If this was a final you can order a re-row
- The other crews may protest - What if the order of the other crews changes?

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