



Welcome to the FALS OPS 2021 Volunteer Training!



Finish Area Landing Site Operations

FALS Ops

Training Orientation



An aerial photograph of a regatta event. In the foreground, a small boat is on the water. A large crowd of people is gathered on the grassy bank. Several white tents are set up, with one prominently displaying 'MERCHANDISE'. A white truck with 'Bydler' on its side is parked near the tents. The background shows a parking lot with several cars and trees. The overall scene is busy and festive.

To Our Volunteers

A BIG THANK YOU!!!!

Without your hard work, the Regatta cannot happen.

A great team at each dock ensures a safe, smooth, and enjoyable Regatta experience for everyone.

Your 2019 Co-Chair Team



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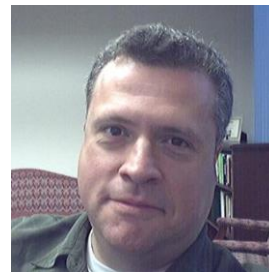
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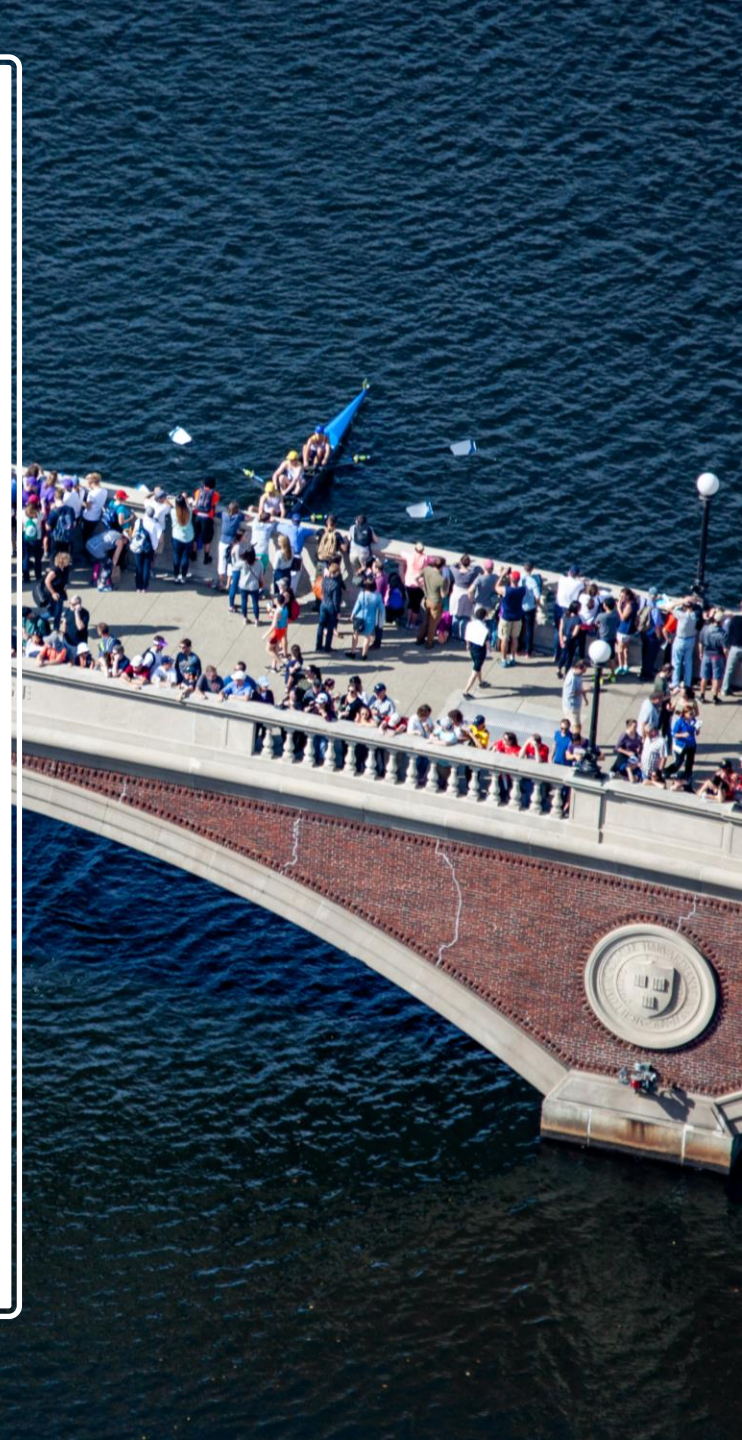
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The 2021 - 3 Mile Race

- 70 Events
- 620 Clubs
- 2000+ Boats
- 2239 Entries
- 11,000+ Athletes
- 395,000 Spectators
- \$72 Million to the local economy






The Volunteer Roles

- Greeter
- Launchmaster
- Oar Carrier
- Dockmaster

Greeter

- Welcomes crews to the Regatta at the entryway of the dock chute
- Reminds spectators that only competitors and coaches are allowed into the chute
- Reminds crews to be prepared for inspection before entry into chute
- Maintains order at chute entry in crowded situations – projects control into parking lot
- Diverts excessive boat traffic to less crowded docks



An aerial photograph of a rowing team on a blue lake. The team consists of approximately 12 rowers in a long, narrow boat, moving across the water. The water is dark blue with some white foam from the rowers' strokes. The boat is white and has several colorful buoys (red, green, and white) attached to it. The background is a vast expanse of water under a clear sky.

Launchmaster

- Maintains order in the launch queue
- Checks boats to ensure that all safety requirements are met (bow balls, heel ties, etc.)
- Checks boats for bow numbers on bow, stern deck and bow-seat (cox where relevant)
- Communicates with Dockmaster to get permission for crews to advance to the dock
- Works with Greeter to ensure that crews are ready to be inspected

Boat Safety Check

- Athlete Safety is Our Highest Priority
- No boat may launch without proper safety equipment - no exceptions includes FRIDAY
 - Bow ball (well attached)
 - Heel ties (3 fingers)
- We do not supply repair equipment
- When in doubt, contact a Co-Chair
- In a medical emergency use Channel 1

Oar Carrier

- Directs competitors to oar racks to drop off oars
 - Carries oars to and from the dock for launching and landing crews
 - Assists Dockmaster in pulling in boats that are attempting to land
 - Reminds competitors to keep the dock and chute free of clutter (shoes, backpacks, oars, etc.)
 - Watches for unsafe behavior (e.g. unsafe piling of clothes/shoes on the dock)
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Dockmaster

- Maintains law and order on the dock
- Controls who may and may not be on the dock
- Launches and lands boats in a fair, orderly and timely fashion.
- Communicates with Launchmaster and Co-chairs over radio
- Responds to emergencies by contacting Co-Chairs and Emergency Services

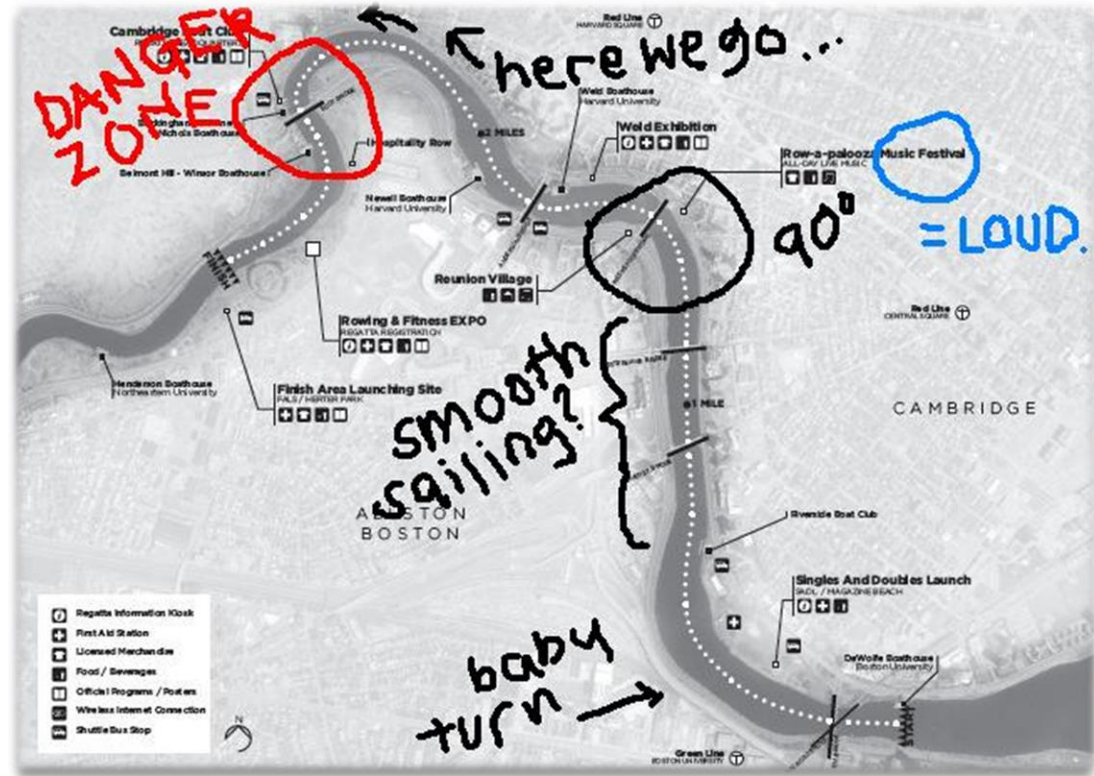
Launching Strategies

- Let crews know that fours and eights must row from the Eliot Bridge Enclosure to Harvard's Newell Boathouse by pairs and fours.
- En route to the start, crews should refrain from power strokes before the Basin warm-up area.
- Crews with low bow numbers have launch priority over those with high bow numbers.
- You'll have a guide with recommended launch times for each event.
- If we go to a Short Course you will be instructed what to do



Friday Practice Rules

- Once crews launch, they must proceed all the way to the start
- Upstream travel is only permitted from the start line



FALS Docks

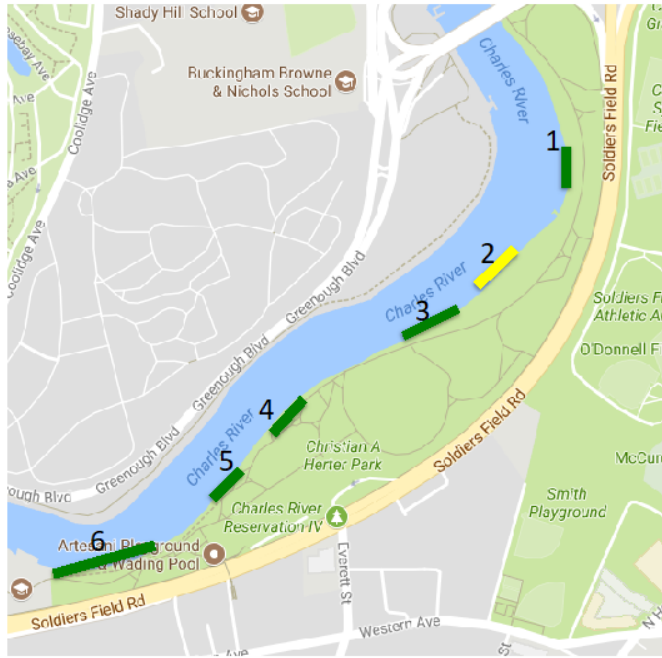


Volunteer Dock



Private Dock

Dock images not necessarily to scale



Race Weekend Shift Schedule

Friday

Morning

7:00am – 11:00am

All Day

7:00am – 6:00pm

Regular

10:00am – 6:00pm

Saturday

Morning

7am – 12:30pm

Afternoon

12:00pm – 6pm

Sunday

Morning

7am – 12:30pm

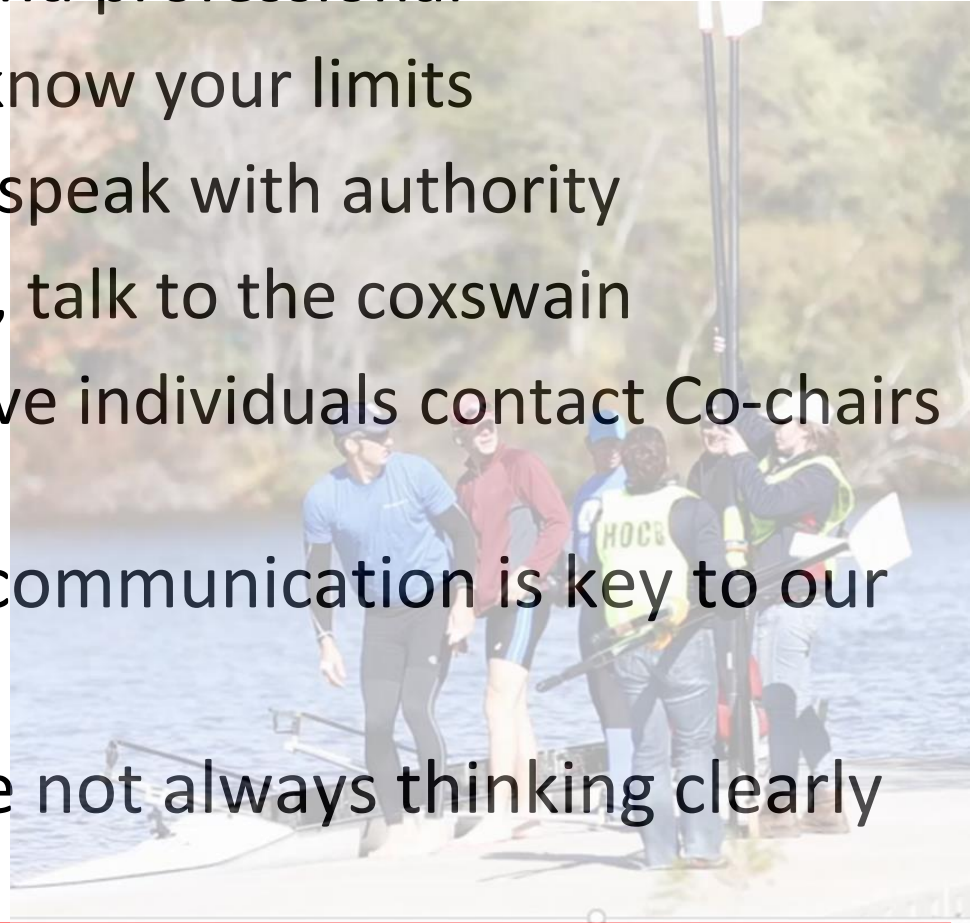
Afternoon

12:00pm – 6pm



Working with Competitors

- Always be courteous and professional
- Try to be helpful, but know your limits
- Be clear and brief and speak with authority
- When directing a boat, talk to the coxswain
- In case of uncooperative individuals contact Co-chairs immediately
- Clear, calm, positive communication is key to our success
- Rowers, post-race are not always thinking clearly



General

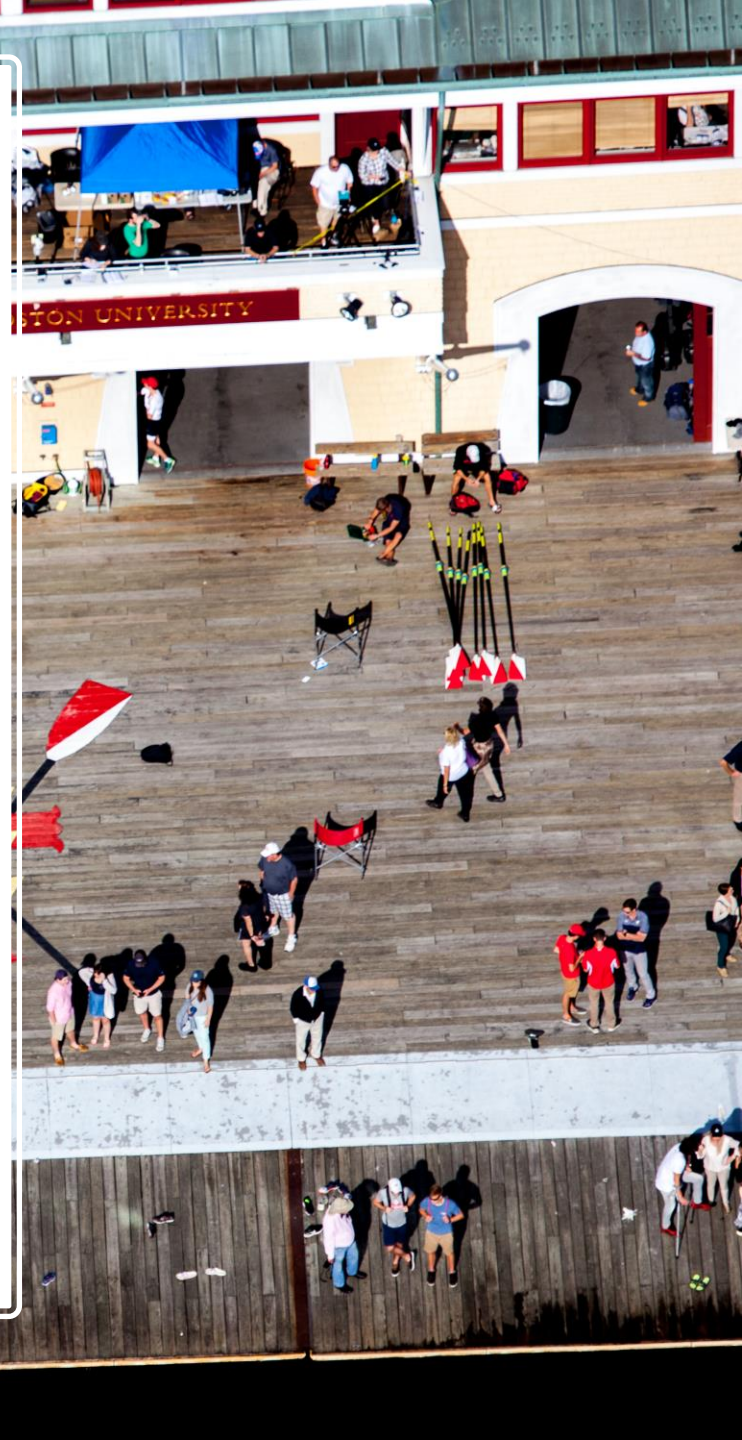
- Mylar blankets at docks for returning rowers
- Straw is available to try to bind up the mud
- Lunch Sandwiches delivered to the DOCKS
- There is a HOCCR 2021 App in Google Play and the iPhone App Store

• **Emergency is Channel 1 or 911**



Your Preparation

- **BRING A PHOTO ID!** Pick up your volunteer vest before reporting to your shift: you need to wear it
- Arrive early: take train / parking can be difficult
- MEET @ DOCK FOUR (4) FALS OPS TENT. Walk up the chute: we are at the water on the right.
- Dress in layers (synthetics best). Wear sunscreen!
- Wear waterproof and sturdy shoes
- Bring snacks/water as shifts are long!
Disposable water bottles will not be available for sale.
- Pack light and leave valuables at home





THANK YOU AGAIN!!

