

## **Helm / Steer requirements**

This document outlines the requirements for those attending the IBCPC Participatory Festival 2023.

### **Steer/ Helm (S/H)**

The person responsible for the safe operation of a dragonboat, and the persons onboard, who has undertaken a training pathway in their home state / country / region, and who has successfully competed in at least 3 officiated events in a standard 20-person boat, without incident. Some countries may provide accreditation for their steers/helms that covers these points

### **Requirements**

For the NZ Festival 2023, we will be using start pontoons where the boat will need to be reversed in. The S/H need to be competent in managing this task, alongside the standard requirements of steering (e.g. ensuring the boat is balanced, maintaining a start line).

During the event S/H will be provided with information relating to weather and conditions at Lake Karapiro via the Safety Officer or Race Starter, to help with manoeuvring or positioning. Pool steers may be available if required.