

Youth Racing Committee Charter Established July 2021

The purpose of the Youth Racing Committee (YRC) is to create and foster Dragon Boat awareness, development and racing opportunities for Australian youth (including, but not limited to University Division, 24 and Under Division and Junior Division).
The YRC will represent the views of AusDBF Youth athletes and ensure their voice is heard, to inform Youth athletes about AusDBF activities and to work with AusDBF in its goal to develop and promote the sport of Dragon Boating.
The YRC shall provide recommendations to the AusDBF Board in the development and implementation of programs and services for all Youth and Student Racing programs. The YRC shall, through AusDBF, support the International Dragon Boat Federation's (IDBF) Youth and Student (aged) programs domestically and internationally.
 To grow the Youth division of Dragon Boat in Australia. To provide recommendations to the Board of Directors in the development and implementation of programs for Junior, 24 and Under and University and post-secondary students and participants. To annually review all YRC programs.
The AusDBF Youth Racing Committee will report directly to the AusDBF Board.
 The AusDBF Youth Racing Committee will ideally consist of one (1) representative from each member State, nominated by that State member. One (1) Athlete Representative appointed by the Board of Directors; this may be upon recommendation of the YRC. Applications for these positions will be sought by AusDBF. The individual will at the start of their term be between the ages of 18 and 24 and/or be a full-time student. The AusDBF Youth Racing Committee will also include one AusDBF Director. If this Director's term expires, the AusDBF Board will elect a new Director to AusDBF Youth Racing Committee. The term of each appointment is for two (2) years. If a member resigns within the two-year period, the member State will nominate a replacement. Appointments to the AusDBF Youth Racing Committee will be made on a staggered basis, i.e. half appointed in the even year, half appointed in the odd year. In the interests of succession planning, each member will serve for a maximum of three terms. A member must be reappointed by their State member after their two-year term expires if they wish to continue.
The AusDBF Youth Racing Committee will, at its first meeting, elect one of its members
 to the position of Chairperson. This choice must be endorsed by the AusDBF Board. Up to five (5) meetings will be held each year. One of these meetings will be a
face-to-face meeting. Other meetings will be held via zoom/teleconference as required.

	 Minutes including action items, decisions and recommendations must be taken and submitted to the AusDBF Board within 14 days of the meeting. A quorum will consist of 50% +1 members A resolution may be passed by a simple majority of Committee members present and entitled to vote on that resolution.
Authority	 The Youth Committee is not authorised to make any decisions or communicate directly with members. All recommendations are to be forwarded to the AusDBF Board for consideration. Any communication requiring input from members or member States must be approved and distributed by the AusDBF Board.