

EUROPEAN DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION

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OFFICIAL INVITATION

10th EUROPEAN NATIONS DRAGON BOAT CHAMPIONSHIPS

at the National Water Sports Centre
NOTTINGHAM. ENGLAND

26-29th JULY 2012

On behalf of the Council of the European Dragon Boat Federation (EDBF) you are cordially invited to send your National Dragon Boat Team to take part in the 10th EUROPEAN NATIONS DRAGONBOAT RACING CHAMPIONSHIPS, to be held at the National Water Sports Centre (NWSC) Nottingham, England, from the 26th to 29th July 2012. The NWSC Regatta Course is situated to the east of Nottingham on the A52 towards Grantham, about 10 minutes drive from the Nottingham City Centre.

The 10th EUROPEAN NATIONS CHAMPIONSHIPS (ENC) - *Nottingham 2012*, are open to all National Dragon Boat Teams in Europe in Membership of the EDBF. Teams from European Countries **not** in EDBF membership may apply to the EDBF Executive Committee, via the Nottingham 2012 Organising Committee, for permission to participate. The ENC will comply with the IDBF Competition Regulations for European Championships and be conducted under IDBF Rules of Racing.

Nottingham 2012 will be organized on behalf of the EDBF, by the **British Dragon Boat Racing Association** (BDA) and its appointed Organizing Committee, to whom all entries for the Championships should be submitted. The NWSC regatta course is a placid body of water with a depth of at least 6 meters over the racing course, which is a straight course of 2250m long by 110m wide. Racing will take place in six racing lanes, each 13.5 meters wide.

The 10th EUROPEAN NATIONS CHAMPIONSHIPS – Nottingham 2012 will be conducted for Premier, 18-23s, Senior and Junior Dragon Boat Racers over race distances of 200, 500 and 2000 meters in Standard Boats and 200m and 500m in Small Boats. All boats will be to IDBF Specifications

INFORMATION BULLETIN No.1 containing technical, administrative and organisational details about the Championship, and a Provisional Entry Form are attached.

Please read Bulletin No.1 carefully and respond to the Organising Committee by the dates shown below:

Preliminary Entries

by 15th February 2012

Numerative Entries and all Regatta Fee Deposits

by **6th April 2012**

Final Named Entries, Admin Fees and all Regatta Fee Balances

by **22nd June 2012**

The EDBF Council encourages your association to enter a National Dragon Boat Team in the 10th EUROPEAN NATIONS CHAMPIONSHIPS – Nottingham 2012 and we look forward meeting with your Racers and National Team representatives during the Championship.

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