



51st Heineken Roeivierkamp 2023

Rules of Qualification

January 2023

GENERAL

- Due to the limited space on the River Amstel, the number of entries for the Heineken Roeivierkamp will be limited to a number that is specified by the race organization. For every division, a maximum number of crews will be allowed to participate.
- For divisions 5, 6, 11, 16, 29, 30, 49 and 51 no limit will be set to the number of entries, as the results of these divisions are part of a season-long ranking within the Dutch Rowing Federation.
- The rules of qualification that are mentioned below will only take effect when the race organization estimates that the number of entries for one or more divisions will exceed its specified limit, and the maximum number of competitors for the entire event is reached.
- The race organization strives to let as many competitors as possible compete at the Heineken Roeivierkamp. If the maximum number of competitors is reached in a certain division, but not in another division, the organization is free to change the maximum number of competitors within certain divisions.
- The race organization reserves the right to deviate from the rules in this document when it deems this necessary or appropriate.

DIRECT QUALIFICATION

- Crews, based on the results of the previous edition (50th Heineken Roeivierkamp), ranked in the in the top 50% in their division, will automatically qualify for the next edition of the Heineken Roeivierkamp. This will give the crew a guaranteed entry and exempts the crew for qualification by draw for next edition.
- Guaranteed entries are assigned to the rowing club of which the qualified crew is a part. Which crew of this club makes use of the guaranteed entry for next edition of the Heineken Roeivierkamp is up to the club itself.
- Guaranteed entries are non-exchangeable between divisions, sexes or between rowing clubs (exception for master's divisions).
- For a crew to be eligible to earn a guaranteed entry for a club, 75% of its rowers must be from the same club. When a qualified crew does not meet this requirement, it does not receive a guaranteed entry to next edition of the Heineken Roeivierkamp. An exception to this rule is made when a crew registers of which at least 75% of the rowers are the same as of a crew that finished in the top 50% of the results in the previous edition.
- Rowing clubs with a guaranteed entry must let the race organization whether they intend to make use of this entry before the deadline of registration. For foreign clubs, this is a different date than for Dutch clubs.
- If a rowing club does not wish to make use of a guaranteed entry for a certain division, an extra place will be opened for crews that qualify based on the draw.

QUALIFICATION BY DRAW

- When the number of expected entries exceeds the limit that was specified for a division, and a crew 1) did not qualify based on the results from the previous edition or 2) did not participate in the previous edition of the Heineken Roeivierkamp, this crew will be able to qualify based on a draw.
- The draw will decide 50% of the entries for a given division (this percentage could be higher when one or multiple direct qualification spots are not use within that specific division)
- Crews from the Netherlands and crews from outside of the Netherlands will be drawn separately. As the Heineken Roeivierkamp is first and foremost a Dutch event, the organization aims to fill the drawn entries with 75% Dutch crews and 25% foreign crews.

RULES & EXCEPTIONS

- When a crew is taking part in the qualification by draw and eventually gets assigned a spot, however, does not use this allocated position for the next Heineken Roeivierkamp, the Race director will withhold an earned direct spot (based on the 50% rule) for the first upcoming edition of the Heineken Roeivierkamp for the club accessory to this specific crew. Assigning fictional crews for the draw to increase chances to compete in the race will result in deduction of direct qualifications in the next edition for that specific club.
- In the case of an uneven number of competing crews in a division in the previous edition, the number of direct qualifications will be rounded up (i.e., in a division with 15 crews, the first 8 crews will be assigned a direct qualification for the upcoming edition of the Heineken Roeivierkamp).
- Within master divisions the rules regarding direct qualification and qualification by draw will be applicable based on the subdivision according to age category.
- Clubs are free to exchange direct qualifications within a specific masters age category for other age categories within the master divisions.