



### **RE-CLASSIFICATION BY APPLICATION – GUIDELINES FOR CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS**

To assist Clubs and Associations in their reclassification requests, Rowing NZ has developed a set of guidelines to help those completing the application. These are by no means exhaustive but are intended to provide some insight into how any application will be assessed. The points below are in no particular order and have no particular weighting in their contribution to the reclassification request.

It is worth pointing out that Clubs, Coaches and those entering rowers into events are expected to have a good understanding of how any subsequent results will impact their rower's classifications.

1. Regattas that are earlier in the season may carry a higher consideration in the decision than those later in the season.
2. How a rower qualifies for a classification race at a classification regatta will be considered. An easier progression (i.e. a smaller field) may be given more consideration than a more difficult progression.
3. Whether a rower was substituted into the crew during the classification regatta. The reason for the substitution, supported by the crew change form should be provided with the application. Should the supporting documents not be provided, Rowing NZ will request this from regatta hosts for verification.
4. The size of the boat that they raced in may be taken into consideration.
5. A club having only one athlete at a higher/lower class will not be a factor considered.
6. Applications for re-classifications need to be endorsed by the rowers club **AND** Local Association. A Local Association should not refuse to endorse any reasonable re-classification application.