USRowing Referee Task Force

Survey Results

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USRowing Referee Survey

1. When you choose to participate in a regatta as a referee, which considerations are most/least important?

	Very important	Important	Moderately Important	Of Little Importance	Unimportant	N/A	Rating Average	Response Count
Regatta location	33.6% (101)	**41.9% (126)**	19.6% (59)	3.7% (11)	1.3% (4)	0.0% (0)	1.97	301
Regatta duration	11.0% (33)	**34.2% (103)**	31.6% (95)	15.9% (48)	7.0% (21)	0.3% (1)	2.74	301
Attending referees	7.0% (21)	19.9% (60)	**34.6% (104)**	24.9% (75)	13.0% (39)	0.7% (2)	3.17	301
Chief referee	25.6% (77)	**33.2% (100)**	21.3% (64)	12.6% (38)	7.0% (21)	0.3% (1)	2.42	301
Local Organizing Committee (LOC)	11.0% (33)	**32.2% (97)**	30.9% (93)	19.6% (59)	5.6% (17)	0.7% (2)	2.77	301
USRowing registered regatta	15.0% (45)	25.2% (76)	**28.2% (85)**	16.6% (50)	14.6% (44)	0.3% (1)	2.91	301
Regatta prestige	1.7% (5)	6.0% (18)	18.9% (57)	**44.9% (135)**	27.6% (83)	1.0% (3)	3.92	301
Out-of-pocket expenses	22.3% (67)	28.9% (87)	**30.6% (92)**	13.3% (40)	4.3% (13)	0.7% (2)	2.48	301
							Comments:	93
							answered question	**301**
							skipped question	**1**

2. Rate the following in terms of your experience at regattas:

	1 (Too Little)	2	3 (Just Right)	4	5 (Too Much)	N/A	Response Count
Work time	0.3% (1)	1.7% (5)	**44.0% (132)**	40.0% (120)	11.3% (34)	2.7% (8)	300
Break time	18.1% (54)	**40.8% (122)**	33.4% (100)	2.7% (8)	1.3% (4)	3.7% (11)	299
Break availability	20.3% (60)	**39.2% (116)**	34.1% (101)	1.7% (5)	0.7% (2)	4.1% (12)	296
Food	3.3% (10)	33.7% (101)	**57.0% (171)**	2.3% (7)	0.0% (0)	3.7% (11)	300
Beverages	4.7% (14)	26.1% (78)	**60.2% (180)**	6.4% (19)	0.0% (0)	2.7% (8)	299
Gratitude	4.7% (14)	20.5% (61)	**53.0% (158)**	16.8% (50)	1.0% (3)	4.0% (12)	298
Stipend	20.5% (61)	30.0% (89)	**30.6% (91)**	1.7% (5)	0.3% (1)	16.8% (50)	297
						Comments:	108
						answered question	**301**
						skipped question	**1**

3. Rate your interactions with USRowing:

	1 (Too Little/Unsatisfactory)	2	3 (Just Right)	4	5 (Too Much/Satisfactory)	N/A	Response Count
Staff	9.0% (27)	20.9% (63)	**46.2% (139)**	4.7% (14)	4.3% (13)	15.0% (45)	301
Board	17.9% (54)	20.6% (62)	24.6% (74)	3.0% (9)	0.7% (2)	**33.2% (100)**	301
Referee Committee	8.7% (26)	28.4% (85)	**35.8% (107)**	5.7% (17)	2.7% (8)	18.7% (56)	299
Regional Referee Representative	8.7% (26)	13.1% (39)	**53.4% (159)**	8.7% (26)	10.4% (31)	5.7% (17)	298
Clinicians in your region	8.0% (24)	15.3% (46)	**52.3% (157)**	13.0% (39)	8.0% (24)	3.3% (10)	300
Other referees around the country	5.7% (17)	27.9% (83)	**43.1% (128)**	11.8% (35)	3.4% (10)	8.1% (24)	297
						Comments:	81
						answered question	**301**
						skipped question	**1**

4. Rate your educational experience in the following situations:

	1 (Unsatisfactory)	2	3 (Neutral)	4	5 (Satisfactory)	N/A	Response Count
As a candidate	3.0% (9)	3.0% (9)	13.6% (41)	18.6% (56)	**55.5% (167)**	6.3% (19)	301
As an assistant referee	1.0% (3)	4.0% (12)	9.0% (27)	20.7% (62)	**58.5% (175)**	6.7% (20)	299
As a fully licensed referee	1.0% (3)	1.4% (4)	9.9% (29)	11.9% (35)	37.8% (111)	**38.1% (112)**	294
As a clinician	1.4% (4)	3.8% (11)	7.5% (22)	6.8% (20)	11.9% (35)	**68.6% (201)**	293
As a Referee College attendee	1.0% (3)	1.0% (3)	5.4% (16)	6.5% (19)	32.0% (94)	**54.1% (159)**	294
At a championship regatta	1.7% (5)	2.0% (6)	15.9% (47)	18.0% (53)	**44.1% (130)**	18.3% (54)	295
At a registered regatta	0.7% (2)	1.7% (5)	24.0% (71)	19.9% (59)	**50.7% (150)**	3.0% (9)	296
At a non-registered regatta	1.0% (3)	6.1% (18)	22.9% (67)	16.4% (48)	**33.8% (99)**	19.8% (58)	293
During the off season	5.8% (17)	13.0% (38)	**34.5% (101)**	9.6% (28)	22.2% (65)	15.0% (44)	293
						Comments:	77
						answered question	**301**
						skipped question	**1**

5. What is your rank?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Assistant referee	**40.5%**	**122**
Full referee	37.2%	112
Clinician	22.3%	67
Emeritus	0.0%	0
answered question		**301**
skipped question		**1**

6. How many regatta days did you work last year:

	Response Percent	Response Count
0 - 10	**53.5%**	**161**
11 - 20	32.2%	97
21 - 30	8.3%	25
31 - 40	4.7%	14
40+	1.3%	4
answered question		**301**
skipped question		**1**

7. How many years have you been officiating?

	Response Percent	Response Count
0 - 5	**36.2%**	**109**
6 - 10	21.3%	64
11 - 15	14.0%	42
16 - 20	10.0%	30
21 - 25	7.6%	23
26 - 30	6.0%	18
30+	5.0%	15
	answered question	**301**
	skipped question	**1**

8. What is your age?

	Response Percent	Response Count
18 - 25	1.7%	5
26 - 35	7.1%	21
36 - 45	9.9%	29
46 - 55	29.9%	88
56 - 65	**35.0%**	**103**
65+	16.3%	48
	answered question	**294**
	skipped question	**8**

9. What region are you from?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Northwest	5.3%	16
Southwest	13.3%	40
Mid-Atlantic	**33.2%**	**100**
Northeast	14.6%	44
Midwest	13.0%	39
Southeast	16.9%	51
Prefer not to answer	3.7%	11
	answered question	**301**
	skipped question	**1**

10. About how much do you spend out-of-pocket to officiate each year (e.g. travel, lodging, equipment, uniform/attire, pet/child care, food, etc.)?

	Response Percent	Response Count
$0 - $100	5.7%	17
$100 - $250	15.8%	47
$250 - $500	22.9%	68
$500 - $1,000	**26.6%**	**79**
$1,000 - $1,500	12.1%	36
$1,500 - $2,000	6.7%	20
$2,000 - $2,500	2.7%	8
$2,500+	7.4%	22
	answered question	**297**
	skipped question	**5**

11. What topics would you like to learn more about (chose all that apply):

	Response Percent	Response Count
Application of rules	**62.0%**	**163**
Referee protocol	58.2%	153
Recruiting	15.6%	41
How to become a clinician	17.5%	46
FISA	18.6%	49
Lessons learned	59.7%	157
How do I become more involved with the referee corp?	20.2%	53
How do I get more involved with USRowing?	17.9%	47
Board initiatives	20.2%	53
Junior/Youth athlete issues	33.8%	89
Masters athlete issues	27.8%	73
Collegiate athlete issues	31.2%	82
National team athlete issues	18.6%	49
	answered question	**263**
	skipped question	**39**