



BSRA STATEMENT

Friday 29 May 2020

The BSRA Board has today affirmed its overriding commitment to the health and wellbeing of our students, staff and families, whilst also maintaining a cautious but positive outlook for the resumption of rowing.

Current guidelines

In line with the Chief Health Officer advice, Queensland Government Roadmap guidelines, Australian Institute of Sport Framework and Rowing Queensland expectations, a return to rowing is to occur across a number of stages:

Stage 1 - currently, there is no on water training. Where feasible, member schools may allow on land exercise program in preparation for organised Stage 2 training.

Stage 2 - From 12 June, and at the discretion of each member school, water training for single or pairs may be introduced. Training must be kept to a 20 people limit.

Stage 3 – From 10 July on water training can resume with a maximum of 100 people per venue.

Competition

The progression to Stage 3 of the Queensland Government Roadmap currently excludes the viability of a regular BSRA season. With this in mind, the BSRA Board believes that no decision regarding the composition or style of any rowing competition to be run in the latter part of Term 3 can be made at this time.

However, in preparation for any possible competition, the BSRA Board have resolved that there needs to have been a minimum of:

- 4 weeks on water training completed for senior experienced rowers
- 6 weeks on water training completed for junior rowers

In addition, it has been determined that Year 8 rowers will not row in any competition in 2020. Member schools will make individual decisions on how best to promote and/or conduct rowing for these students at an appropriate time.

The BSRA Board have determined that a further review to consider potential competition options for 2020 will occur on Tuesday 14 July. Further communication will be released following this Board meeting, in accordance with the Queensland Government Road Map guidelines as they evolve.

Please contact the BSRA EO (rachael@bsra.org.au) if further clarification of the above is required. Please also note our planned return to rowing may need to be amended, if current restrictions change.