# **Racing & Traffic rules**

### Rowing to the start

- Boating is from the pontoons
- In the 1<sup>st</sup> division
  - You can use all pontoons
- In the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> division
  - No crew is allowed on water until division one and the singles cup participants row along the depo area
  - The upper pontoon is used by team not swapping boats to get on the water
  - The middle and lower pontoons are used for swapping boats
  - The crews which don't swap must allow the swapping crews to get on to the pontoons sooner.
- Rowing to the start:
  - o On the big Danube stream

## At the start (See separate document)

- Start: cca. 250m downstream from the top of the Island. Starter is on the bank.
- Start line/Timing line: 300m South from the top of the Óbudai Island in the small branch of the river. Timing starts when crossing the start/timing line at racing speed. Flying start.
- Start zone: between end of the island and Northern Railway Bridge

#### **Start procedure**

- You must arrive at the start zone (the boat in front of you) 5 minutes before your scheduled starting time.
- Crews will await the start heading upstream in the order of the start.
- Crews should turn to get to the start on time according the instructions of the start zone umpire.
- The starter will give the start command in English by a count down from 5 seconds. "5-4-3-2-1-Go!" Timing starts when a crew crosses the start/timing line 50 m downstream the start.
- Technical problems hindering start in due time must be signaled to the umpire

### **During the race**

- Row always in the middle of the small stream
- If you will be overtaken make way to the faster crew
- When you exit the small stream row in the middle of the Danube
- The finish line is between the two floating houses
- Bow numbers must be visible at all times when on the water
- All crews have responsibility to avoid collision.

#### After the race

- continue to row 150m then turn to the Buda (vity) side and row back to the depo on the side, mind the rowers in the race