

Key Information on 2026 Start Times

Stage Races

The Stage Races will race over 4 days with the finish being at Barn Elms Boathouse. The Stage Races classes are Junior Doubles, Senior Singles, Veteran-Junior Doubles, Endeavour Doubles and Single SUPs. Note that for 2026, the new official Single SUP class will be open to both hard shell and inflatable racing profiled SUPs, but there are minimum (12 feet 6 inches) and maximum (14 feet) length restrictions for these craft. Also, for 2026, as a trial, single surfskis will be allowed to enter the Senior Singles class.

For all Stage Races the daily cut-off times for days 1-3 will be extended to 10hrs on the water in 2026.

Junior Doubles

- School crews may request a Maundy Thursday afternoon registration and will be allocated a slot between 16:00 and 17:30 by the DW School Liaison Officer.
- All other JD crews (including those schools not requesting a slot on Maundy Thursday) must register on Good Friday.
- Start times are between 08:00 and 09:30 on Easter Friday

Senior Singles and Veteran-Junior

- Registration is on Easter Friday morning.
- Start times are between 09:30 and 10:30 on Easter Friday
- If you require an earlier start time this can be requested from the Stages Starter via email at info@dwrace.co.uk by 17:00 on the Wednesday before the race, stating what time you would like to start – you must receive an acceptance of your proposed start time for it to be effective.

Endeavour and SUPs

- Registration is on Easter Friday morning.
- Start times are between 07:00 and 08:00 on Easter Friday
- If you require a later start time to avoid arriving before the finish window opens, this can be requested from the Stages Starter via email at info@dwrace.co.uk by 17:00 on the Wednesday before the race, stating what time you would like to start – you must receive an acceptance of your proposed start time for it to be effective.

Check in and Registration – will be open Maunday Thursday from 16:00 to 17:30 and on Easter Friday from 06:00 to 10:00. No check ins or registrations will be allowed outside these times. Note that boat check, check in and registration can take up to an hour – arrive early to avoid missing your planned start time.

Race Handbook – the above is only a summary of the relevant sections in the Race Handbook. All crews, support crews and school team leaders are expected to have read the Race Handbook and understood the rules within it prior to entering the race.