Appendix 7 – Bye-Law to Article 58 – Rower's Commitment Form

Country code .....

FISA Rower's Commitment Form

Full Name (as it appears on your passport): ……..

National Federation: ..... Sex (F or M): ..... Birth Date (dd/mm/yyyy): ...../...../.....

This is to confirm that I have read, understood and accept the content of this document.

As a **rower or a coxswain** affiliated to a National Federation, itself a member of the World Rowing Federation (FISA), I agree to abide by the FISA Rules of Racing and other rules regulating FISA regattas and international rowing and confirm the following commitments, which already ensue from my affiliation to a National Federation, itself a member of FISA and from my participation in FISA activities, notably World Rowing Championships, international regattas, or other events organised under the authority of FISA (FISA events). I recognise and accept:

1. Authority - FISA's authority on all matters concerning international rowing.
2. Governance - the mandatory character of the Statutes, the Bye-Laws and other rules regulating FISA, in their current version and as amended from time to time, and I agree to uphold and abide by them without reservation, in particular but not limited to my individual commitment set out in Articles 57 and 58 and my obligations under Part V "Integrity of Sport" regarding:
   a. Ethical Principles & Integrity - The obligation to respect fundamental ethical principles and to behave, in all circumstances, in an appropriate manner, and I agree to respect the FISA Code of Ethics (Bye-Law to Article 59 of the FISA Statutes).
   b. Integrity in Competition - The obligation to be bound by, and be required to respect the Bye-Law to Article 60 of the FISA Statutes relating to Manipulation of Competition and Betting.
3. Anti-doping – the authority of FISA regarding Anti-doping set out in FISA's Statutes, Rules and Bye-Laws and the World Anti-Doping Code and Regulations including to implement in- and out-of-competition anti-doping testing and the biological passport; and;
   a. I confirm that I do not use and that I will not use substances or methods that are prohibited by the FISA and WADA anti-doping rules as long as I compete for my national federation;
   b. I agree to submit to any tests (blood, urine, breath, DNA, etc.) carried out by FISA, WADA or any other approved agency and to inform my team doctor of all the medication that I take, and;
   c. I accept, if I infringe the anti-doping provisions, that I might be penalised extending to, in a relevant case, a life ban from all competition.
4. Photographs - the prohibition of the use of any photographs, videos or films or other images that I might take during international regattas and other FISA activities other than for personal or non-commercial purposes, without specific written authorization from FISA.
5. Filming - the possibility of being filmed, (either for television or other medium), photographed, identified or recorded in any other way during international regattas or other FISA activities in which I take part under the conditions and for purposes currently or in the future authorised by FISA. Such films or other recordings may be used by FISA, or parties authorised by FISA, in any way, including sale and advertising, for the promotion and development of rowing, without any right to payment of compensation, but excluding the use which implies endorsement by me of any other commercial entity, product or service.
6. Personal Data – that FISA, or third parties contracted by FISA, may collect, store, process, use and disclose to third parties, my personal data related to participation in any competition organised under the umbrella of FISA (the "Personal Data") to the extent necessary to facilitate participation in, and/or the organising and promoting of, rowing competitions, and may create and keep up to date my Personal Data on sports databases, and may use such Personal Data in any other way in which I have or will provide my express consent or as may be required by law.
7. Social Media – that if I publish any comments, opinions and any other material in any way, including on social and digital media at or in relation to a FISA event, I am solely responsible for the consequences of this action. I will ensure that these comments or opinions comply with applicable laws and that all necessary permissions have been obtained from any third parties whose image or property is used. When using social and digital media, I will not:
   a. Violate the privacy of third parties;
   b. Infringe upon any intellectual property rights, or other rights of any third party;
   c. Disclose any information which is confidential or private in relation to another person or organisation;
   d. Interfere with the competitions or ceremonies of FISA events, or
   e. Violate security measures instituted to ensure the safe conduct of FISA events.

   In addition, I acknowledge that I can be held personally liable for any commentary and/or material deemed to be obscene, offensive, defamatory or otherwise illegal, or infringing on any third party's rights.
8. Jurisdiction – FISA's jurisdiction to make any decision or impose any sanction within its field of competence and I will accept all such FISA decisions or sanctions with only the reservation of paragraph 9 below.
9. Right to Appeal – the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), in Lausanne Switzerland, as the only competent judicial authority external to FISA to settle in a definitive manner any litigation remaining after all internal FISA remedies have been exhausted and any appeal against a final decision taken by FISA which affects me, and that this excludes any other ordinary court of law, any civil judicial authority of any country and any arbitration body.
10. Swiss Law – the application of Swiss law and the Swiss federal procedural law as supplemental to FISA and CAS rules and regulations with Lausanne as the only place and seat of the arbitration.
11. Validity - this commitment remains in force unless and until I have formally revoked it in writing and such written revocation has reached the FISA headquarters.

Place: ..... Signature: ..... **Date: ..... (dd/mm/yyyy)**

Please send this form by post to FISA, Av. de Rhodanie 54, 1007 Lausanne, Switzerland or submit it to the FISA Office at a World Rowing regatta.