Determining the Lanes

As determined by the committee, the 16 boats will all be seeded for the Division I Eights, Division II Eights and Fours. The boats will be placed into heats and lanes based on an S curve (1, 6, 7, 12, 13 in heat 1; 2, 5, 8, 11 14 in heat 2; 3, 4, 9, 10, 15, 16 in heat 3) top six or eight crews (depending on the number of lanes) in the Division I Eights will be seeded in separate heats.

In the heats, the principle is to place the crews with the highest seedings in the center lanes of the course. Similarly, the crews with lowest seedings will be placed in the outside lanes of the course.

In the repechages and semifinals, the principle is to place the crews with the best previous results in the center lanes of the course. Similarly, the crews with the worst previous results are placed in the outside lanes of the course. If crews have the same placing in the heats or repechages, there will be a draw to determine the exact lane.

• the winners of the semifinals shall compete in the finals in lanes three and four.
• the second crews shall compete in lanes two and five.
• the third crews shall compete in lanes one and six (the lane for each pair to be drawn).

(Nota: Under extenuating course conditions, the chief referee, in consultation with the Race Committee, will make all final decisions regarding lane reassignment.)