



ODBC Participation Contract

As a member of the ODBC fall rowing program, you have the opportunity to compete at the most prestigious regattas of the fall season against the best competition in the country. Your behavior at practice, at these regattas, and in school reflects on the many people associated with this program. You have the athletic ability to be tremendously successful in terms of your on-the-water results – and our behavior will be such that we are regarded as a professional group. At the end of each race, everyone else in attendance should ONLY be left thinking “Man, those ODBC boats are fast.”

Therefore, any actions which reflect poorly on the team or program will result in your immediate dismissal, and forfeiture of registration fees. Unacceptable behavior includes, but is not limited to:

- use of illegal drugs or alcohol
- stealing
- confrontational behavior with coaches, rowers or officials
- any behavior which leads to reasonable complaints from people attending the regattas, or hotel guests or staff
- unexcused absence from practice
- spitting IN the boathouse

The basic rule of thumb is this – if what you’re doing will lead to someone thinking poorly of the program, it falls into the category above.

You are a talented group of young men and women who have a great opportunity before you. In order to maximize our achievements this season, our entire focus will be on race performance.

By signing this letter, I acknowledge that I understand the behavior expected of me and I accept that failing to honor this commitment will result in my removal from the team.

Rower Name

Rower Signature

Parent Name

Parent Signature