

ONTARIO MARATHON CANOE AND KAYAK RACING ASSOCIATION (OMCKRA) EQUIPMENT USE POLICY

OMCKRA Equipment Use Policy will enable access to equipment for OMCKRA' to foster and grow competitive distance paddle racing across Ontario. guidelines related to the lending and/or renting of equipment by OMCKRA to its Members. The library is intended for OMCKRA members and clubs in good standing. OMCKRA may lend to non-member clubs at its discretion to foster cross discipline activities however if an individual borrowing coach or member does not maintain their OMCKRA membership the equipment must be returned to OMCKRA.

OMCKRA will position equipment in various hubs across the province and will coordinate transport of equipment to support racers, training events, member recruitment events and coaches.

Term

Members will enter into an agreement with OMCKRA to use the equipment on a daily, weekly or monthly basis The agreement can be terminated by the member or OMCKRA at any point with a written notice to the other. The equipment manager should keep the board informed but does not need to obtain board approval for each arrangement..

Equipment is loaned for an agreed upon time that can be for a period no longer than one (1) year. To ensure it is being used the borrower must provide written confirmation at the 2 month mark how they are using the equipment and storing it appropriately when not in use. Should a member or club wish to borrow equipment for an additional period of time the existing agreement must be updated to reflect that longer period of time.

Rent and Security Deposit

There will be no rental fee until such time as demand increases beyond our racing equipment supply. At that time the Board will establish a rental fee structure. The member will pay a deposit before taking possession of the equipment. OMCKRA will refund the deposit at the end of the term if the member has returned the equipment in accordance with the agreement

Repair and Maintenance of Equipment

No charge will be required for normal wear and tear

Security and Maintenance

The equipment must be stored in a secure location when not in use. When left on roof racks or trailer equipment must be secured within vehicles or locked to roof racks or trailers. Storage must be under cover, out of the sun and in winter must be completely out of the weather under a roof. A borrowed or stored **North Canoe** should be stored in such a way that rainwater is not allowed to accumulate in the upright hull in amounts that could cause damage to the canoe or the trailer. Canoes must be carried on a secure roof rack with proper straps and bow and stern tie downs. Long-term storage site and method must be recorded as an image and provided to OMCKRA Board at beginning of storage period. Members should not use the equipment in a risky environment, rocky/shallow rivers. While using the equipment all Members must follow the OMCKRA Safety Policy.

Clubs, coaches and event organizers may borrow OMCKRA equipment at no cost for a period of up to one year. Members may borrow OMCKRA equipment at no cost for a period of up to four months.

A security deposit of \$50 will be required, paid to OMCKRA by e-transfer, before the equipment is released. This security deposit will cover a watercraft alone, more than one watercraft, or a package of watercraft and paddles. Upon the return of this equipment in undamaged and reasonable condition, the security deposit will be refunded.

All safety and personal equipment that must be carried in the watercraft as required by law is the responsibility of the borrower and the users.

Rental Fee Structure (if we determine we should apply)

North Canoe: \$100/month
Tandem Canoe: \$25/month
Solo Canoe: \$25/month
Paddle: \$10/month



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Members to Members Personal Equipment Sharing Library/Database

This initiative will complement the OMCKRA-owned Equipment Use Policy by enabling Members and past Members to easily lend or gift their distance paddle canoes, kayaks and paddles to other Members and new, novice, youth and diverse distance paddling competitors.

OMCKRA will maintain a list of personal equipment available for lending and the owner contact information on our website, as a sub-section of our OMCKRA-owned Equipment List.

All arrangements between the owner and the

Members understand that the security of their equipment lent in this manner is their personal responsibility.