



At the Grand Prix 1 Regatta held on 2nd – 4th December 2011, Australian Canoeing trialled a new entry fee system, which comprised of a Regatta Entry Fee, plus a seat fee for each race entered, with a season cap for all regatta entries in the season.

This system was implemented in an effort to reduce entry fees for those paddlers who regularly enter a number of events in several regattas over the season. However, in consultation with coaches, team leaders and paddlers, it has been recognised that the new system has proved to be inequitable for paddlers and administratively difficult to maintain. On this basis, a decision has been made to revert to our previous tried and tested system of charging one flat entry fee per regatta.

Australian Canoeing recognises that paddlers who entered a number of events at GP1 may, when reverting to the previous system, suffer some financial disadvantage. To rectify this situation AC will apply the following formula to all paddlers who entered GP1:

	Total fees paid for GP1 2011
LESS:	Entry fee for GP1 2010 (\$100 – Senior / \$75 - Junior)
CREDIT BALANCE:	To be deducted from GP2 entry fees and/or National entry fees, if applicable.

For example: If, as a Senior, you paid \$150 entry fees for GP1 2011, you can deduct \$100 (entry fee for GP1 2010), leaving a credit balance of \$50 which will be credited towards your entry fees for GP2 2011.

The entry fee rebate as outlined above is subject to the following conditions:

- The rebate must be used at the GP2 or Nationals
- It cannot be used at Oceania
- It cannot be carried over to the next sprint season
- If you do not use it by the end of the current sprint season, you lose it
- If you are under the GP entry price from 2010 (\$100 – Senior / \$75 - Junior) then you will have no credit

You will receive a Credit Note from Australian Canoeing detailing the amount of your credit. When making an on-line entry for GP2, you will be automatically issued with an invoice covering your entry fees for this regatta. Please deduct the amount of your Credit Note from the invoice amount, and pay the balance outstanding.

If you have any questions regarding the above information, please contact Mary Macaluso in the Australian Canoeing office on 02 8116 9727 or mary.macaluso@canoe.org.au.