Boat Types

Types of rowing

There are two types of rowing Sculling and Sweeping Sweep rowing: Each rower has both hands on one oar

Sculling: Each rower has an oar in each hand. The oars are shorter the sweep oars

Types of boats

All boats used for rowing are called Shells, but boats for sculling are usually called sculls. Boats of each type are also described by the number of rowers and whether or not they carry a coxswain.

Sculling Boats

(Coxswains are not typically used in sculling)

- Single or (1X) one rower with two oars
- Double or (2x) two rowers, each with two oars
- Quad or (4X)four rowers, each with two oars

Sweep Boats

- Since rowing in a circle has never been much fun, there are no sweep singles
- Pair without coxswain (2-) or just "pair"
- Pair with coxswain (2+)
- Four without coxswain (4-) or "straight four"
- Four with coxswain (4+) or just "four" or "four with"
- Eight (8+) An eight always has a coxswain

