**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 than 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.

**Scull 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