



Avalon Dragons Uniform and Equipment Information

New Members receive the following uniform and equipment:

- Pink/blue racing shirt
- Black team hat
- Avalon Dragons pin
- Wooden paddle ¹
- Personal Flootation Device (PFD) ²

Paddling Uniform: When attending a festival, for photos, and other occasions when specified, team members wear:

- Pink/blue racing shirt
- Black bottoms (pants, capris or shorts)
- Comfortable footwear (sneakers or water shoes)
- Black team hat (optional – not usually worn during the actual races)

¹ **Wooden paddles** are the property of the Avalon Dragons and should be returned if the paddler decides to leave the Association. Paddles are sized based on your height. Paddlers can keep their paddle over winter for the next season. Original members who personalized their paddles can keep them if they have sentimental value, otherwise they should be returned to the Association if no longer in use. You may notice some team members have black carbon paddles. These are purchased by individual team members and usually a group of team members get together to place an order to obtain price discounts.

² **PFDs** are the property of the Avalon Dragons and are assigned to paddlers by number. Paddlers sign a PFD agreement (attached) to verify that they will keep the PFD in good clean condition and will return it within one month of the end of each paddling season. New members usually receive a red PFD their first season to determine if they wish to continue on as a regular paddler. Regular paddlers, second season and up, receive a yellow team PFD. The PFDs are stored by the team for winter storage and if possible, paddlers will receive the same PFD in subsequent years.

Team Ceremonial Blue Shirt: A blue polo shirt with the team logo is available for purchase. Members will be asked to wear these during festivals or when attending community events. The cost is approximately \$37, however this may vary depending on the supplier. The team wears black bottoms when wearing this shirt. See a member of the Operations Committee if you would like to order this team shirt.

Equipment Transportation for Festival Travel

Paddles: The team has containers to transport paddles to festivals. Paddlers are responsible to bring their paddles to the transport container as directed by the Team Captain.

PFDs: Paddlers are responsible to pack their own PFDs in their luggage. If practicing the night before the travel, dry the PFD as much as possible (hang in bathroom and turn up the heat). In the morning if it is still damp place it in a garbage bag in your suitcase and remember to hang it up as soon as you get settled at the festival destination. Always pack clean garbage bags so you can transport a wet PFD home.