

Chautauqua Lake Rowing Members, High School Team & Rec / Masters,

We are opening a window for **Regatta Sport orders** for CLRA Merchandise. For those of you who have been members for a while you know how this works. For new members I will explain the process:

Regatta Sport is our source for **team jackets, pants, and race shirts**. They have an online site and individuals can place orders and pay online for their clothing. The orders are then custom manufactured and sent to a central mailing address for distribution. Usually my home address. The **lteams** site is only open for orders for a short period of time for orders to be placed and then the manufacturer shuts it off and begins production. Each item that they make for us must have a **minimum order** of 6 items for them to place the item into production. That means we must get 6 jackets, 6 pairs of pants, 6 long sleeve race shirts, and 6 short sleeve race shirts. So, for example if we get orders for 6 jackets but only 5 pairs of pants they will make and send the 6 jackets but will not put any pants into production. For this reason, we try to only open the window once a year so that those who want to order will have a better chance of getting the 6-item minimum. That is why I am emailing adult rowers now. If you want to order a race shirt for next fall, now is the time to do so. With the combined orders from the High School team and the Adult team it is more likely that we can achieve the minimum.

I realize that rowing is not on the top of your priority for things to do at this time. Just remember that the season will be upon us sooner than you think and it is really nice to have that team gear when the season rolls around.

If anyone worked with a company that can produce this type of gear or wants to explore ordering from other companies that don't impose these minimum order requirements I would be glad to have you look into this.

The plan is to open the order window today, Monday February 12th., and keep it **open until March 4th**. This will allow enough time to get the clothing produced and shipped so that the High School team will have it for use during their spring season. I have attached the order instructions from Regatta Sport above. Please email me if you have any questions or problems.

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