

## Phase 4 – Recreational Sailing & Club Racing– *effective 1st November 2020*

### Procedures when on site

- ALL current members, including Groups by agreement, are permitted on site; visitors by invitation only, social visits are discouraged
- Organised groups may implement additional controls, but in the event of any conflict with these procedures then EPSC procedures & policies will take precedence
- Entrance gate to be kept closed (unlocked) at all times when members are on site
- Maintain at least a 2m distance from non-family/household persons at all times
- All members are **required** to complete **check-in** using paper system or Sailing Club Manager; the NHS Track & Trace QR code may be used in ADDITION to club check-in
- The clubroom is **out of bounds** for all, except designated race team
- Where possible members should arrive & return home dressed for their planned activity
- Reduced toilet and changing facilities **may be** available; on the day availability subject to agreement by approved Covid-19 team member; maximum 5 male and 4 female members in changing rooms at any one time; **for essential use only**; NO clothing or personal possessions to left in changing rooms at any time; follow signage and one-way system; members are individually responsible for sanitising facilities after use
- For any part of the building in use all windows and doors used for access should be open; heating system should NOT be used
- Use the site respectfully and consider how your actions could affect other members at all times

### Sailing and Use of Club Boats

- Recreational sailing is permitted ALL days, except for during the day on Thursdays, when the model boat club has priority; subject to the **two-boat minimum** buddy system as below
- Use of club boats by allocation/prearrangement ONLY
- Club officers have the option to close the water and/or site as they deem necessary
- Minimum of **two boats** on the water at any one time; operating as buddy system to ensure safety of all; ALL members to participate responsibly
- Members should only sail comfortably within their competency for the conditions; if you have to ask yourself “should I go out?”, you know the answer - don’t!
- Members should launch and recover their own or family group boats ONLY; consider use of decking to secure boat(s) on water with painter; be considerate & wait during BOTH launch & recovery to maintain distancing; the message is “**Help by not helping**”
- Mixed household sailing is permitted; members should follow [“RYA Guidance on sailing & racing with participants from different households during COVID-19 in England”](#)

### Safety Boat

- Drivers responsible for sanitisation before and after hand over
- If it is necessary to recover a sailor from the water then self-recovery in to the powerboat is the preferred option to maintain distancing; this could be via the ladder or engine skeg; in either case the engine should be OFF during the process
- If self-recovery not possible then consider use of face covering
- If taking a boat under tow, then towing astern is the preferred option; use yoke; be aware of prop entanglement hazard
- When it safe to do so take the opportunity to refresh your power boat handling skills

## **Duties & Events**

- A reduced duty roster has been reinstated for the Autumn period to operate on a volunteer only basis; participating sailors are requested to sign up using Sailing Club Manager
- Subject to availability of volunteers Sunday morning club series racing will be reinstated with the option to run a third race in the afternoon
- Members should be changed & rigged in good time to avoid risk of congestion at launch; Race Officer & Safety Officer to monitor
- Shore based starts may be used at the discretion of the race officer