

COMBS SAILING CLUB

BYE LAWS

November 2014

Safety

- 1 a) All members, guests and visitors, must wear a buoyancy aid which meets current EU regulations at all times when on the water in any boat whatever the weather.
 - b) No minor who cannot swim may go afloat at any time in any type of boat or go onto the pontoon.
 - c) All minors who do go afloat or go onto the pontoon must wear a buoyancy aid which meets current EU regulations whatever the weather.
2. All boats used on the Club water must have firmly secured buoyancy equipment to the satisfaction of club officials, who shall have the right to inspect it and may require a test to be carried out.
3. a) Any member present at the Club may be required to assist with manning the Patrol boat or to help recovery operations if requested by the OOD or by members of the Sailing or GP committees.
 - b) Persons less than 17 years of age are not permitted in the patrol boat unless being rescued or they are participating in Club supervised formal training. In no circumstances may a person under 17 years of age operate a patrol boat.
 - c) Joy riding in the Patrol boat is not permitted.
4. Members may sail on any day of the week taking responsibility for their own safety. Junior members are only permitted to sail during club sailing sessions or under adult supervision.
5. Parents and guardians have sole responsibility for their children and the Club cannot be expected to provide supervision and control (for further information please see the club's child protection guidance).
6. All members using Club equipment must follow the relevant safety guidelines. Copies of the Club's safety guidelines are available in the Health and Safety Folder in the Clubhouse or on the website.

Insurance

7. All boats and craft must be covered by third party insurance of at least £3,000,000 even if the boat is not in use. All members are required to confirm this on either the application form or renewal form

Membership

8. Accompanied guests of members and visitors may sail on club waters on a maximum of four days in any one year provided they comply with the General Rules of the Club and also the Bye laws. Guests of members and visitors must be signed in before using club boats to ensure that boat insurance is in force.
9. The discount for retired members is normally available from the state retirement age.
10. Members are required to assist with the care and maintenance of the Club properties at the work parties organised by the Club.

Boat Park

11. Separate boat park rules apply to all dinghies on club premises and have the same status as these Bye Laws.

General

12. During club events cars are only permitted into the boat park while unloading boats or equipment except for certain officers designated by the GP committee. The OOD, AOD or Committee members may require cars parked in the boat park to be removed.

13. Sailing at night is not permitted.

14. Fishing from boats is not permitted.

15. Bathing in the reservoir is not permitted

**GP Committee
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