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3.1 Site security

All users of the premises must follow the current procedures for securing the outer reservoir gate. The last person leaving the premises must ensure that all the buildings are locked, with non-essential electrical and gas equipment turned off, and that the compound gate is padlocked. See also section 5.

3.2 Bio-security

All members and visitors must follow any current instructions regarding Bio-security (section 2).

3.3 Sailing Safety

Before launching, all sailors/windsurfers intending to sail casually, or to race, must complete the "sign on sheet" (the sailing register) to confirm their agreement to the relevant club rules. Parents/guardians, or authorised alternates, are required to sign for their dependents under 18 year. This paragraph does not apply to sailors under formal instruction, or in Sea Cadet, or weekday University activities.

All casual sailors, including windsurfers, are to register with the OOD by signing on the white board when taking to the water and removing their names when coming ashore

3.4 Personal Buoyancy

Adequate personal buoyancy must be worn by all those on the water; wet suits alone are not considered adequate.

3.5 Dinghy/Sailboards Buoyancy

Sailors/windsurfers are responsible for ensuring the correct buoyancy for their craft. The club is responsible for its training dinghies

3.6 Restrictions on Sailing

For safety reasons, those Committee members present may postpone or cancel sailing/windsurfing, or may advise any sailor/windsurfer not to launch.

3.7 Helping Others

It is a fundamental rule of sailing/windsurfing that, if it is safe to do so, sailors/windsurfers must look out for the safety of each other, and attend a nearby craft in distress, or a person in the water, where a patrol boat is not nearby or unaware of the difficulty.

3.8 Sailing Area and Game Anglers

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Sailors must launch and land only at the club's slipways, and not come ashore anywhere else unless this is unavoidable. Sailors must not interfere with the activities of persons fishing from the bank or from boats.

3.9 Casual Sailing/Windsurfing

is permitted following rules set out in Section 9.

3.10 Risks and Accidents

Members must read and understand the Risk Assessments, posted on the club's website, and in Section 17 of this document and must adhere to the countermeasures. All accidents at the club must be recorded in the Accident Book which is kept in the office. In the event of a major incident the procedures set out in Sections 18 and 19 must be followed.

3.11 Powerboats

Powerboats are to be deployed and operated in accordance with procedures set out in Sections 13 & 15 of this folder.

3.12 Limitation of Liability

Members must be aware of the limitations of the club's liability set out in Section 7, and bring these to the attention of their guests / visitors, including the paragraphs relating to sailors under 18 years where appropriate.

3.13 Dinghy and Sailboard Insurance

All craft stored or sailed at the club must be insured for a minimum of £5,000,000 against third party risks.

3.14 Dinghy compound

Boats and trailers may be stored in the dinghy compound following the procedures set out in Section 8; these also include the procedure for dealing with 'abandoned' boats.

3.15 Members Sail Management Duties

Members must carry out sailing management and safety duties as allocated by the committee, and published on the club Website, see sections 6.1 and 10.1

3.16 Other matters

a. Tata Steel Strip Products have placed a ban on Dogs other than guide dogs, at the reservoir.

b. Smoking is prohibited in the clubhouse, around the fuel store and on powerboats.

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c. Cars may be brought into the compound for loading/unloading, but, with the exception of the Commodore, must not be parked there except when carrying out essential work.