



SUTTON DINGHY CLUB - SAFE SAILING POLICY

- Sailors should be able to swim or be water confident.
- Suitable lifejackets, buoyancy aids or personal flotation devices shall be worn at all times when on the water.
- Suitable clothing and footwear must be worn at all times when on the water.
- The number of rescue boats on the water should be appropriate to the number of boats sailing and the weather conditions. (minimum ratio of 10:1)
- All sailing boats must have adequate draining equipment on board.
- All sailing boats must have adequate buoyancy so that it will float when fully inverted or fully swamped.
- All members must make themselves aware of where the first aid kits and telephones are within Sutton Dinghy Club.
- There must be no sailing at night unless participating in a formally organised event.
- If an incident should occur then it must be reported to the Sailing Committee at the earliest opportunity, at least within 24 hours.
- All sailors must enter their name, boat details and departure time in sailing register prior to launching their boat. The sailing register will be located in clubhouse.
- All boats must supply a valid insurance policy and certificate providing appropriate 3rd party cover and liability.
- If the event the General Emergency Alarm is signalled (7 Short blast 1 Long blast) all dinghy and sailing craft must return to the club jetty until further notice.
- Racing: During racing events a tagging board may be in operation as an alternative to the sailing register.
- Racing: Attention of all competitors is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3 'Acceptance of the Rules', 4 'Decision to Race' and the ISA Safety Guidelines. Open boat entrants are referred to relevant class regulations.
- Racing: Boats shall keep clear of Race Committee vessels (committee boats, mark laying boats etc.) from the time the Committee Boat is on station prior to starting racing.