

7 Limitation of the Club's Liability

7.1 Members of the Club and their guests or visitors, may use the Club premises and other facilities of the Club, entirely at their own risk and by implication accept the conditions below. Before inviting any guest(s) or visitor(s) onto the Club's premises, or when greeting day sailors, members should draw their attention to these conditions.

7.2 General Conditions

The Club will not accept any liability for any damage to, or loss of property belonging to members, guests or visitors.

The Club will not accept any liability for personal injury arising out of the use of the premises and any other facilities of the Club, or out of participation in any sailing/windsurfing event organised by the Club, to the maximum extent permitted by law.

7.3 Sailing activities (applicable to racing and casual sailing)

Sailors/windsurfers are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or on shore, and nothing reduces this responsibility. It is for sailors to decide if their boat is fit to sail in the conditions in which it will find itself. By launching sailors confirm that the boat is fit for those conditions and that they are fit and competent to compete and sail/windsurf in/on them.

Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the craft owners and ,or sailors/windsurfers, nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the craft taking part in the sailing/windsurfing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the activity.

Patrol boats will be arranged by the club during organised activities according to the circumstances, and every effort will be made to provide advice and assistance in cases of difficulty. However the provision of Patrol-boats does not relieve owners and sailors/windsurfers of their responsibilities to themselves, their craft, and others.

Before taking part in any sailing/windsurfing activity, members and guests are requested to sign the "Sign On" register confirming their acceptance of these conditions. See section 6.

7.4 Persons under 18 years of age

See section 6.6.

7.5 Sailing instruction / coaching – applies to club training & tasters

The RYA Senior Instructors, Coaches, Instructors, and assistants do not accept responsibility for any loss, damage or injury suffered by persons and, or their property, arising out of, or during the course of their activities whilst training, and, or coaching and, or

instructing, unless such injury, loss. or damage was caused by, or resulted from negligence or deliberate act.

7.6 Additional Activities

Where there is more than one activity taking place on the water, e.g. Club racing/windsurfing and training or any other activity over and above racing/windsurfing, an onshore Safety Officer must be appointed to oversee the use of patrol boats to cover all the activities on the water.