

Halifax Sailing & Watersports Club Rules and Byelaws

Amended and approved at the Club AGM 30th November 2025

1. Name

The Name of the Club will be THE HALIFAX SAILING & WATERSPORTS CLUB. When necessary, this will be abbreviated as HxSWC.

2. Objectives

- i. To establish and maintain a Sailing & Watersports Club to foster the interests of sailing, and other unpowered watersports by amateurs.
- ii. The Club will not be: political, sectarian or a profit making organisation.
- iii. To carry out racing under The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) published by the RYA
- iv. To provide facilities to approved groups of Youth Organisations for sailing watersports, and racing.
- v. To provide facilities for the benefit of members of the Club.

3. Burgee

The burgee of the Club will be a dark blue fly, in plan, on a light blue ground.

4. Management

The management of the Club will be vested in a Committee which in addition to the powers conferred on them will manage the affairs of the Club according to the rules for the time being in force, and will take such steps as they may consider desirable to promote the objects of the Club, and in particular it will define the duties of the Officers who will in all respects be subject to the control of the Committee.

5. Membership

Any amateur of any sex, whether the owner of a boat or not, who is keen and interested in sailing, windsurfing or other Watersports may apply for membership, irrespective of: age, gender, disability, race, ethnic origin, creed, colour, social status, and sexual orientation. There will be the following types of membership: -

- i. **FULL** will be over the age of 18 and owners or part owners of one or more boats which are adopted by the Club under rule 10(i). Full Members who cease to be boat owners will not lose their status as Full Members. Members of their family may use the club on shore only. Full members may keep one boat and may apply to the Committee to keep more at the Club. Full Members will be required to do duties.
- ii. **WINDSURFING** will be over the age of 18 years and owners of Windsurfers adopted by the Club under rule 10(i). windsurfer. Windsurfer members may apply to the Committee for the right to keep one or more windsurfers at the Club. Members of their family may use the club on shore only. They will not be required to do duties but may volunteer.
- iii. **SMALL WATERCRAFT** will be over the age of 18 years and owners of a small watercraft which will not be kept at the Club. Members of their family may use the club on shore only. They will not be required to do duties.
- iv. **ASSOCIATE** will be over the age of 18 years and will have the right to use the Club afloat and ashore. They may not bring or keep a boat or other craft to the Club. Members of their family may use the club on shore only. They will be required to do duties.

- v. **FAMILY** is available to one member of a family who meets the requirements of FULL, ASSOCIATE, WINDSURFING or SMALL WATERCRAFT membership types. People in the family must live at the same address or be in full time education and will enjoy the same rights as the corresponding membership type. Members of their family have the right to use the Club ashore and afloat. The family member will be required to do duties, if duties are required for the corresponding membership type, other members of the family may volunteer for duties.
- vi. **STUDENT** are 16 or 17 years old or in full time education when elected. The Committee may grant Student members the right to keep a boat or craft at the Club. Student membership will finish on the 31st of December after the Student Member has reached the age of 18 or has left full time education. They may volunteer for duties.
- vii. **JUNIOR** are children up to 15 years old when elected. The Committee may grant Junior Members the right to keep a boat at the Club. A junior Member must always be accompanied by a member of the Club who is their: parent, guardian or a nominated person acting "in loco parentis". They will not be required to do duties.
- viii. **TRAINING** may be granted to a person by using a Trainee membership application form. They may apply to keep a boat or windsurfer at the Club and have the right to use the Club ashore and afloat. Training membership will cease on expiration of the period as determined by the Committee. The Committee may terminate the Training Membership of any person at any time. TRAINING MEMBERS may be accompanied by members of their family on shore. They may volunteer to do duties.
- ix. **AFFILIATE** is given to Groups, Societies or Clubs which have made written application and been granted affiliation to the Club by the Committee. Each Affiliate will be given specific conditions of membership by the committee, laid down as byelaws affecting them only. The membership fee will be decided by the committee on a case-by-case basis. People belonging to the Affiliate organisation will automatically be considered as Affiliate members of the Club. They will not be required to do duties.
- x. **CORPORATE** is available to members of Groups and Societies or Clubs which have made written application for and been granted association to the Club by the Committee on conditions laid down as byelaws affecting them only. They will generally not be required to do duties.
- xi. **TEMPORARY** may be granted to a person on application to the Membership Secretary and one other officer of the club. Temporary membership will cease upon expiration of the period covered by the subscription paid. The committee may terminate Temporary Membership at any time. Temporary Members will not be entitled to receive notice of or attend a General Meeting of the Club. They will not be required to do duties but may volunteer.
- xii. **HONORARY** may be elected by the Club in General Meeting. The election will be by motion duly proposed and seconded. The Club may from time to time, in General Meeting determine what period such Honorary Membership will continue. An Honorary Member will pay neither entrance fee nor subscription and will be entitled to all the privileges and benefits of Full Membership. They may volunteer to be included in the duty rota.
- xiii. **COUNTRY** if normally resident More than 50 miles from the Club, Full and Associate members, and members of other Yacht Clubs, may apply for Country status which may be granted by the Committee. Country members will pay half the normal subscription, they will enjoy the rights of membership except that of voting at meetings. They may volunteer to be included in the duty rota.
- xiv. **SOCIAL** will be over the age of 18 years and will have the right to use the Club ashore. They may not apply to bring, keep or use a craft at the Club. They may volunteer to be included in the duty rota.

6. Subscriptions

- i. All members other than Honorary members will pay such entrance fee on election and such annual subscription as will be determined from time to time in General Meetings, and such other dues as may become properly payable.

- ii. Annual subscriptions and dues will be paid on election and annually thereafter , the subscriptions of members elected after July 1st may be reduced by the Committee.
- iii. The Committee will have the power to reduce the subscription of any existing member applying to the Committee on grounds of financial hardship.
- iv. If any member is in arrears with payments their membership will be terminated. The committee will have the power to impose an administration fee for re-admission.
- v. The Committee will be empowered to raise subscriptions by an amount not exceeding 50% in any Club year.
- vi. The Committee will be empowered to determine by resolution the amount, if any, payable by new members as an entry fee on joining the club or any subscription fee for any period of less than one year.

7. Election Of Members to the Club

- i. People wishing to join the club will complete a membership application form and pay the fee for the applicable membership type. The application will be sent to the Membership Secretary who will propose the application to the Committee for approval. Membership will be approved unless there are special reasons not to approve the application such as: known un-sportsman like behaviour, abuse of other existing members or club property.
- ii. The Membership Secretary will notify applicants of election, and will send new members a copy of the Club rules. Every member on joining the Club implicitly undertakes to comply with these rules.
- iii. Members of the club will be encouraged to help in the running of the club by volunteering to join the committee or do other work to run or improve the club.

8. Cessation Of Membership

- i. Any member may resign from membership by giving to the Hon. Membership Secretary notice thereof which will take effect from the next following 31st December upon which date the member resigning will not be liable for subscription and other dues.
- ii. If any member refuses or neglect to observe any of the rules of the Club, or is in the opinion of the Committee guilty of conduct prejudicial to the interests of the Club, the Committee may after giving them an opportunity to attend before it, by resolution apply sanctions or expel such member from membership.
- iii. No person who has been expelled from membership will be re-elected as a member or admitted to the Club as a guest without the sanction of members of the Club in General Meeting.
- iv. Any boat or gear belonging to a person who has ceased to be a member must be removed from the Club within four weeks from the date of their resignation or termination. Unless the boat(s) or gear are removed within eight weeks of this date the Committee may at its absolute discretion dispose of such boat(s) or gear in any manner it decides.

9. Changes In Membership

- i. A member wishing to change the class of membership will inform the Hon. Membership Secretary and the Committee will in the absence of good reasons to the contrary direct that the change be recorded in the Register of members. If the transfer takes place within one year of election any additional entrance fee and subscription will be payable.
- ii. Every member will keep the Hon. Membership Secretary informed of any changes in their name and address and contact details for entry in the register of members, and any notice required by these

rules to be sent or given to any member or former member will be deemed to have been sent or given if sent by electronic mean or ordinary prepaid post to the latest registered address or number appearing in the register of members.

- iii. A member may elect to receive any such notification by electronic means, and it is his/her responsibility to notify the Hon Membership Secretary of his/her electronic address and any subsequent changes to the address.

10. Ownership Of Boats and Use of The Club Etc.

- i. Use of the Club water and premises will normally be restricted to: -
 - a) Boats with an RYA primary or secondary or provisional Portsmouth yardstick between upper and lower limits & other boats determined by a majority vote of the committee. The limits may not be set or altered unless the matter is included in the agenda of the committee meeting. The words boat or dinghy in these rules will include catamarans.
 - b) Windsurfers including wing foils and similar wind propelled craft, but not kite powered, as agreed by the committee.
 - c) Small watercraft such as: Canoes, Kayaks and stand-up paddle boards (SUP) none of which are wind powered.
- ii. A member wishing to avail themselves of the privilege of keeping or using a boat, windsurfer, or small watercraft at the Club will apply for the consent of the Committee. The Committee will have discretion in giving or withdrawing or withholding such consent and in particular restricting such consent to a particular Class.
- iii. The Hon. Sailing Secretary will keep a register of boats to which berths have been allocated.
- iv. The Committee will have discretion to require a member to remove their boat from the Club premises if in any Club year a minimum number of races have not been entered, such number to be determined from time to time by the Committee.
- v. A member ceasing to keep a boat or windsurfer at the Club will inform the Hon Secretary and the register will be amended accordingly.
- vi. When a boat is jointly owned it will be deemed to be kept at the Club by one of its joint owners only, who will be so nominated in the application for consent.
- vii. Family members who fit the criteria of JUNIOR MEMBER may use the club ashore and afloat if a FULL, ASSOCIATE, SAILBOARD or SMALL WATERCRAFT member is present at the Club and acting in loco parentis accepting responsibility for their welfare and behaviour.
- viii. Every boat when on the water must comply with the class rules regarding buoyancy.
- ix. Life jackets inflated if of that type, or buoyancy aids, will be worn at all times when on or over the water. The wearing of gum boots or Wellington boots when afloat is forbidden, this restriction does not apply to sailing boots.
- x. The Duty Officer is the Rescue Boat Coxswain, their orders will be obeyed instantly and without question by all persons on Club premises or afloat.
- xi. The ISAF rule about going to the assistance of craft in distress is to be acted upon by all on pain of suspension.
- xii. No dog or other animals or pets are allowed on the Club premises.

11. Visitors

Members may introduce sailing guests, whose names will be entered in the book provided. Any such guests may not be introduced more than four times in any one club year.

12. Officers And Committee

- i. The Officers of the Club, in order of seniority, will consist of a:-
 - i. Commodore (Flag Officer),
 - ii. Vice-Commodore (Flag Officer),
 - iii. Hon. Secretary (Flag Officer),
 - iv. Rear Commodore (Flag Officer),
 - v. Hon. Treasurer,
 - vi. Hon. Membership Secretary,
 - vii. Hon. Sailing Secretary.

The Officers will retire annually but be eligible for re-election.

The Officers will be chosen from the Full, Family, Windsurfer and Associate Members of the Club.

- ii. The Committee will consist of:
 - i. The Officers of the Club (7)
 - ii. The Training Principle & Chief Instructor (2)
 - iii. The Trustees of the Club (3)
 - iv. Up to three Full members (3)
 - v. An Associate member (1)
 - vi. Up to Two Windsurfer members (2)
 - vii. A Student member (1)
 - viii. Up to two co-opted Full members (2)
- iii. Four Full or Windsurfer members of the Committee, including at least one Flag Officer, will form a quorum. In the case of equal division, the Chairman will have a second or casting vote.
- iv. The Committee may appoint sub-committees consisting of any members of the Club and may delegate any of the powers of the Committee to such sub-Committees.
- v. Of all the members of the Committee other than the Officers and Trustees of the Club, the following will retire each year at the Annual General Meeting:
 - i. one Full member,
 - ii. the Associate member,
 - iii. one Windsurfer members,
 - iv. the co-opted members
 - v. the Student member

All of the above will be eligible for re-election. Committee members will retire from the Committee in order of seniority and in case of equal seniority the order will be determined by lot.

- vi. Any two members of the membership type may nominate members to serve on the Committee to fill the vacancies caused by the membership type members retiring. The name of the member must be sent to the Hon. Secretary 14 days at least before the Annual General Meeting together with the candidate's consent to serve if elected.
- vii. A casual vacancy amongst the Officers or Committee may be filled by the remaining members of the Committee in any way they think fit notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 12(xi) until the next Annual General Meeting.

- viii. The Club in General Meeting may resolve to declare vacant any Office or seat on the Committee, or to remove any elected Officer or Full member from the Committee notwithstanding that their term may not have expired, and will thereupon proceed to fill the vacancy so created.
- ix. If a member of the Committee, except Trustees, fails to attend a meeting for four consecutive meetings the member will be deemed to have retired, unless the Committee otherwise resolves.
- x. The Committee may co-opt one or two members in addition to those filling casual vacancies, who will retire at the next Annual General Meeting.
- xi. Any two Members may nominate members to fill the vacancies caused by the Officers retiring. This will be done in accordance with the methods laid down above.

13. Duties of the Committee

- i. The Committee may from time to time, make, alter or repeal bye-laws and regulations for the use of the Club and water by members, and generally for the good conduct of the Club and its affairs, and such bye-laws will, provided they are not inconsistent with the rules of the Club, for the time being be binding on all members and have the same force and effect as the rules of the Club unless they are rescinded or varied by the Club in General Meeting.
- ii. The Committee will be responsible for the duration and management of races, matches and other events and generally for the use of the Club water and for these purposes it may delegate to the Sailing Committee such duties and powers as it may think fit.
- iii. The Committee will cause to be kept by the appropriate Officers minutes of the proceeding of General Meetings and of Committee and sub-Committee meetings, a register of members, a register of boats and berths, proper books of account and other records as it may direct. A register of attendances at all Committee, sub-Committee and General Meetings will be kept.
- iv. Meetings of the Committee may be convened by any Officer or by any three other members of the Committee by notice addressed to the Secretary of the Club, stating as far as is practicable, the business to be transacted.

14. General Meetings

- i. An Annual General Meeting of the Club will be convened by the committee in the months of October, November or December in every year on such day and in such place as the Committee may determine for the following purposes:-
 - a) To receive from the Committee a report on the previous year's working.
 - b) To receive from the Hon. Treasurer an audited Balance Sheet and an Income and Expenditure Account for the season.
 - c) To agree annual membership subscriptions, which will be proposed by the Committee.
 - d) To elect: Officers, Committee members and an Hon. Auditor who will not be a member of the Committee.
 - e) To make recommendations to the Committee concerning the Trophies and Prizes and the Fixture list for the ensuing season.
 - f) To transact any other business brought forward by the Committee or of which notice will have been given by a member to the Hon. Secretary on or before September 10th.
 - g) A nominations sheet for vacancies on the Committee will be placed on the Club notice board.
 - h) At the discretion of the Chairman to transact any other business.

- ii. Not less than 21 days notice of Annual General Meeting will be given to members entitled to receive such notice by the Hon. Secretary and the notice will specify, so far as is known, the nature of the business to be transacted and the place, day and hour of the meeting.
- iii. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be convened by the Committee whenever it thinks fit and will be convened by the Committee within 60 days on a requisition signed by not less than ten Full members of the Club, stating the business for which it is required. Not less than 21 days of notice of an Extraordinary General Meeting will be given to members entitled to receive such notice by the Hon. Secretary and the notice will specify the nature of the business to be transacted.
- iv. At every General Meeting of the Club, every Full, Windsurfer, Small Watercraft, Family, Associate, Training, Student and Social member present will be entitled to one vote with the following exceptions:
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 - a) In the election of Committee Members, Members may only vote for the candidates of their own membership class.
 - b) Only Full Members may vote on matters affecting ownership and sailing of boats and restrictions on use of the water.
 - c) Only Windsurfer Members may vote on matters affecting ownership and sailing of windsurfers.
 - d) Only one representative of a Corporate Member will have the right to vote.
 - e) Affiliated Members will not vote at General Meetings.
 In the case of an equality of votes the Chairman of the meeting will be entitled to a second or casting vote.
- v. Except for the purpose of altering the rules of the Club in accordance with Rule 20, a resolution will be carried or not carried by a majority of those voting. A declaration by the chairman that any resolution has been carried or carried by a particular majority will be conclusive.
- vi. No business will be transacted at any General Meeting unless a quorum of Full members is present and ten Full members personally present will be a quorum.
- vii. The Chairman of every General Meeting will be the senior Officer present, if no Officer is present, the Full Members present will choose someone of their number to be Chairman of the meeting. Seniority for the purpose of these rules will be in the order contained in rule 12(i).
- viii. Full, Honorary, Family, Windsurfer, Associate, Training, Student, Junior and Social Members and one representative of each Affiliated and Corporate Member will have the right to receive notice of and attend at General Meeting of the Club.

15. Trustees

- i. The property of the Club will be vested in three Trustees who will have power to invest money and adopt such financial measures as may appear to them necessary in the interests of the Club, subject to the approval of the Committee. If any of the Trustees will resign their Trusteeship or cease to be a member of the club, the remaining Trustees will be entitled to appoint a new Trustee in their place.
- ii. The Trustees will be effectually indemnified by the Committee out of the assets of the club from and against any liability, costs, expenses and payments whatsoever which may be properly incurred or made by them in the exercise of their duties or relation to any property of the club vested in them, or in relation to any legal proceedings, or that otherwise relate directly or indirectly to the performance of the functions of a Trustee of the club.
- iii. Club will maintain a suitable insurance policy to indemnify Trustees and Officers.

16. Club Funds

- i. The funds of the Club will be kept by the Hon. Treasurer under the supervision of and in such place and manner as will be determined by the Committee. The Committee will have the power to expend the Club funds in such manner as it thinks fit, in accordance with the rules and objects of the Club.
- ii. Payments from Club funds will be made electronically and authorised by the Hon. Treasurer, or another member of the Committee duly authorised by the Committee.
- iii. The Committee will have the power to borrow money. They will not otherwise incur liabilities or pledge the credit of the members of the Club in excess of the amount standing to the credit of the Club at its bank without the sanction of a General Meeting, notice of the intention to move such a resolution having been given in the notice convening the meeting.
- iv. All surplus income or gains will be retained or re-invested within the club and will not be distributed in cash or in kind to members or third parties, except that the Committee will have the power to make donations to charities or other clubs registered as Community Amateur Sports Clubs.
- v. In the event that the Club ceases all activities or is disbanded, the Committee will distribute any remaining assets, after meeting all liabilities, to another CASC, a registered Charity or the Royal Yachting Association.
- vi. No payment will be made to members for sailing except when these relate to training or their developmental role in the activities of the club.

17. Liability Of Members

- i. Any liability which is entered by the nominees of the Club on behalf of the Committee will be equally binding on all the members of the Club.
- ii. Every member of the Club will be liable to contribute rateably with the other members to the assets of the Club, should such assets be found at any time during their membership or within one year after their resignation, insufficient for the payment of the liabilities of the Club, such amounts as with the contribution of other members will be sufficient to extinguish the liabilities of the Club.

18. Royal Yachting Association

The Committee will take such action as may be required so that the Club will be a recognised club member of the Royal Yachting Association.

19. Alteration Of Rules

These Rules may be altered or repealed, or new rules may be made by a resolution passed by any General Meeting by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the members present and voting, express notice of the proposed alteration, repeal or new rule having been given in the notice convening such meeting, such resolution may be amended during the General Meeting without express notice of the amendment having been given prior to the meeting only if the amendment does not alter the general intention of the resolution, the Chairman of the meeting will be empowered to decide whether or not the amendment alters the general intention of the resolution and their decision will be final.

20. Interpretation

The decision of the Committee on any question of the interpretation of these rules or upon any matter affecting the Club and not provided for by these rules will be final and binding upon the members.

Where the wording of any rule appears to be gender specific it should be read as gender inclusive.

21.

Should any clause in the Terms of lease, General Regulations or conditions of permit laid down by Yorkshire Water contradict any of these Rules, the former will take precedence.

22.

The Committee may allow Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council Education Department the use of Club facilities by full time students in its establishments when supervised by Education Department employees. The club rules and byelaws will not apply to this use which will be entirely governed by special arrangements entered into by the Club, Calderdale M.B.C. and Yorkshire Water. For the purposes of this rule, those using the Club under these arrangements will not enjoy any of the rights of Club membership during such use, even if they are members of the Club.

Byelaws

- (1) Boat and windsurfer owners must sign and return the annual Insurance Declaration confirming that they carry third party insurance to the amount of £3,000,000 minimum.
- (2) All boats berthed at the Club must be securely tied down by a method approved by the Sailing Secretary.
- (3) WARNING. The water is deep close inshore. Children must wear life jackets or buoyancy aids when near the water. The Club and Officials do not accept liability for any loss by or injury to members or visitors, and a notice to this effect will be exhibited on the site.
- (4) Members must attend when allocated duties for: Officers of the Day (OD), Rescue boat Cox and Assistant Cox, if they are unable to attend on an allocated date they must find their own substitutes.
- (5) The official boat measurer may charge fees. Current rates are £3.00 all classes, sails: no charge.
- (6) Members retiring must return permits and keys to the Hon. Treasurer.
- (7) Unaccompanied young children are not allowed on the pontoon.
- (8) For the purposes of rule 10(xi) the "Duty Officer" will be the Rescue Boat Coxswain. The Sailing Instructions relating to rescue and safety will apply to all boats using the water, whether racing or not.
- (9) All members must comply with the "Buddy Sailing Rules" if sailing without a manned Safety Boat present on the water.
- (10) Full, Student and Junior Members may apply to the Committee for permission to keep and or use a windsurfer at the Club. All obligations in these rules and bye laws which apply to Boat Owners also apply to Windsurfer Owners. Boards may be left in the compound if securely locked down to prevent unauthorised usage. Board sailing is not permitted during racing when a RED FLAG is flying on the main flag staff on the instructions of the Duty Officer.
- (11) Full, Student, Junior and Windsurfer members may apply to the Committee for permission to keep and/or use a Small Watercraft at the Club. All obligations in these rules and bye-laws which apply to Small Watercraft members will also apply to Full, Student and Junior and Windsurfer members when using a Small Watercraft.
- (12) Any member borrowing a Club owned dinghy who is not involved in a Training Course will be liable for the first £100 of any damage caused by them. In the first instance Judgement of liability will be the responsibility of the Training section, with reference to the Committee in the case of any dispute. The Committee's decision will be final.

Buddy Sailing Rules

i. Buddy sailing is defined as

- (1) Using the reservoir without safety boat cover,
- (2) requiring at least two crewed watercraft (Users) on the water together,
- (3) coordinating their activity and ensuring mutual support.

ii. Conditions for Buddy Sailing:

- (1) Buddy sailing is allowed at any time of the year if deemed safe by the Users.
- (2) Users should consider risks based on: wind, visibility, temperature, and water level, judging safety according to their competence, fitness & qualifications.
- (3) Users must keep the club secure by ensuring gates are shut and the clubhouse is locked when unoccupied

iii. User Competence & Requirements:

- (1) Users can only use club equipment with an instructor's permission.
- (2) Users must adhere to Racing Rules of Sailing, including providing help to those in danger and possessing life-saving equipment like a personal flotation device.
- (3) The Users alone decide whether to sail or continue sailing and do so at their own risk.
- (4) Due to the exposed nature of Warley Moor Reservoir, appropriate wet or dry suits and personal flotation devices must be worn.
- (5) At least one User must have prior experience of sailing in similar or more challenging conditions.
- (6) All Users must have a minimum competence of RYA Level 2 or equivalent and specifically be confident in recovery from capsize and self-rescue.
- (7) At least two Users must be 16 or older; under 18s need parental permission and adult supervision on shore.

iv. Seasonal Considerations

- (1) Users should note the lack of showers during the closed season.

Byelaws For Affiliated Members

- (a) Affiliated Members under the age of 16 years will only be allowed on the premises when accompanied by a responsible adult member of their organisation who will be responsible for their behaviour, safety and training instruction.
- (b) There must be at least one adult member present for every six affiliated members present who are under the age of 16 years.
- (c) For each boat used by the Affiliated body not more than eight members may be on the premises at any one time.
- (d) Such accompanying adults must be nominated in advance and their names must be included on the Permit(s) for the Affiliated body which they must carry when on the premises.

Such adults will have the right to sail by invitation.

(In practice it may be possible to include the name of the Affiliated organisation on the permit.)

- (e) Affiliated members may only sail in boats belonging to the Affiliated organisation, or as visitors under rule 10(a).
- (f) One responsible adult must always remain on shore to supervise those affiliated members who are not sailing.
- (g) Affiliated Groups may be granted permission to use the club on Terms and Conditions that apply to that Group only.

Byelaws For Corporate Members

- (a) For each boat used by the Corporate group, not more than six Corporate members will be on the premises at any one time.
- (b) For each windsurfer used by the Corporate group, not more than three Corporate members will be on the premises at any one time.
- (c) Corporate members may only sail in boats or use windsurfers belonging to the Corporate Organisation or as visitors under rule 11.
- (d) Corporate members may only use the Club when normal sailing is in progress, except by special arrangement.
- (e) Corporate Groups will not generally be required to undertake the duties of Officer of the Day, Rescue Boat Coxswain and/or Assistants but the Committee may decide and direct otherwise.
- (f) Corporate Groups may be granted permission to use the club on Terms and Conditions that apply to that Group only.

Byelaws for Small Watercraft Members

- (a) All Small Watercraft are restricted to an area within 50 metres of the shore.
- (b) Small Watercraft owners must sign and return the annual insurance declaration confirming that they carry third party insurance to the amount of £3,000,000 minimum.

Notes

Members are requested to read the Yorkshire Water regulations for dinghy sailing and to take special notice of the following points: -

- a. No dogs or other animals or pets are allowed on the site or in the Club House. (Unless confined to the owner's motor vehicle).
- b. No boats other than safety boats will be mechanically propelled.
- c. Bathing, shooting or the lighting of fires are not permitted.
- d. Members should note that the land surrounding the reservoir is private and they have no right to access outside the Club enclosures, except on Water Authority land, which is confined to the area within approximately ten yards of the water's edge.
- e. Members are requested not to leave private property in the Clubhouse.

Liability Statement

The Club will not be liable for any loss, damage, death, or personal injury, however caused, to the owner/competitor, their craft, skipper, or crew, as a result of taking part in a race or sailing activities.

Moreover, every owner/competitor warrants the suitability of his craft for use on Warley Moor Reservoir.

All craft owners must carry 3rd party insurance for at least £3,000.000