

BYE-LAWS OF THE WARSASH SAILING CLUB 2026 Version 1

Bye-Law No. 1 - CARS

- 1.1 Motor vehicles may only enter a Club boat pound to load and unload and may not park there at any time. Vehicles are not to enter a boat pound during periods of major activity (e.g. launching for and recovering from racing or training etc).
- 1.2 Up to 3 cars may park at the edge of the rear access to Shore House pound (i.e. near to the RTYC compound), so as not to block the gates. Booking for these spaces are to be made with the administrator on a first come basis on payment of the fee specified by the Executive Committee. These spaces are primarily aimed at members who live out of area and are away sailing for a number of days.
- 1.3 The Shore House Car Park is for the use of Flag Officers, Club staff when at work, on duty bar and security volunteers, visiting contractors, offloading delivery vehicles and other volunteers on duty if pre-arranged with the office staff.

Bye-Law No. 2 – JETTIES

General Provisions

- 2.1 All members' vessels are to wear the Club burgee when using the Club jetties. All other craft (e.g. dinghies, tenders etc) belonging to Club members and using the Club jetties and pounds must be readily identifiable as such (e.g. by using a lobster burgee sticker or by displaying the letters "WSC").
- 2.2 All boats occupying Club jetties for longer than the times stated in this Bye-Law or when not authorised to use the jetties, will be liable to mooring charges. These mooring charges will be the Harbour Master's published visitor mooring rates for the use of his Warsash jetty plus 20%. Visitors' yachts attract a charge set by the Executive Committee.
- 2.3 Fishing and bathing is not allowed from either Shore House or Lobster Quay jetties.

Lobster Quay Jetty

- 2.4 Lobster Quay jetty is for the use of members' boats involved in dinghy sailing activities, Club safety / patrol boats (i.e. RHIBS) / launches and members' yacht tenders. It may also occasionally be used by privately owned RHIBSs of less than 7 metres in length whilst directly supporting Club sailing events provided that this does not conflict with the launching and recovery of sailing dinghies. For the avoidance of doubt, the term "member" includes "temporary" and "day temporary" members.
- 2.5 No boat, other than Club owned boats specifically authorized by Rear Commodore Sailing, having a launching weight (including trailer) greater than 450kg may be launched or retrieved from Lobster Quay jetty.
- 2.6 Sailing dinghies and tenders must be launched and retrieved as quickly as possible, and no craft may be left in the dock of Lobster Quay jetty or left on the jetty so as to cause an obstruction. Priority must be given at all times to boats or empty trolleys coming up the bridge from the pontoons.
- 2.7 Launching trolleys may not be left on jetties and must be returned to their allocated space in Lobster Quay pound, if the owner has one. Launching trolleys from members' boats kept elsewhere may be left in Lobster Quay pound, whilst the boat is in the water, provided that they do not obstruct access to the bridge, the washdown area or gangways.
- 2.8 Dinghies and tenders must not be left unattended on Lobster Quay jetty for periods exceeding 15 minutes.

Shore House Jetty

- 2.9 The main pontoon of Shore House jetty may normally be used to moor vessels belonging to either members or to bona fide visitors to the Club, who are visiting the Club to use the bar and catering facilities. A maximum of three visiting yachts are permitted to moor on Shore House pontoon at any one time, which shall be pre-arranged with the Club Administrator. Visiting yachts must be rafted together and will attract a charge set by the Executive Committee.
- 2.10 Vessels over 12.2 metres (40') LOA or over 12 tonnes displacement may not use Shore House jetty.
- 2.11 For both main pontoon and the tender / RHIB pontoon at Shore House jetty, the maximum permitted stay, for any vessel, is 24 hours from the time of arrival. For the avoidance of doubt, a vessel alongside for an overnight stay must vacate the mooring once the permitted stay expires and shall not return for a period of at least 24 hours.

- 2.12 Skippers of vessels mooring on Shore house pontoon should adhere to the mooring protocol displayed on the pontoon.
- 2.13 Vessels using Shore House jetty may raft up to three abreast. When vessels are rafting up, the skipper(s) of the outboard vessel(s) should ascertain when the inboard vessel(s) are intending to leave and make arrangements so as not to impede their planned departure.
- 2.14 RHIB's are not permitted to moor on the outside of the pontoon. RHIB's shall only moor on the shore side of the main pontoon and may also use the tender / RHIB pontoon provided that they are less than 7 metres LOA.
- 2.15 Any vessel staying on the pontoon overnight must enter the vessel name and contact details of the owner / skipper (including mobile telephone number) in the Jetty Book kept for that purpose, which is in Shore House. If a vessel is left unattended at any time, the contact details of the owner / skipper and intended departure time must be left clearly visible on the vessel.
- 2.16 In exceptional circumstances, (e.g. alongside repairs urgently required) if a stay longer than 24hrs is required, it must be requested and pre-arranged with the Club Administration Office or, in the event of a short notice requirement, formal permission can be granted by the Duty Flag Officer or Duty Officer, who's contact details are posted on the main door to Shore House. All approved stays (i.e. for anything longer than 24 hours) are to be endorsed in the Jetty Book by the approving officer/admin office
- 2.17 Occasionally, berths on Shore House jetty are reserved by the Club, such as for Spring Series race and committee boats. Members are to respect such reservations.
- 2.18 During periods of light use, the Duty Flag Officer or Duty Officer may, at their discretion, relax the above provisions concerning the use of Shore House jetty, seeking guidance from the Flag Officer responsible for facilities when appropriate.
- 2.19 The mains electrical and water connection points located on Shore House Jetty are for the use of boats secured alongside Shore House jetty and for the use of staff working on the jetty. Their use for other purposes (e.g. to provide power and water to vessels lying on the scrubbing piles) is strictly forbidden (see also Safety Byelaw 4.5).

Bye-Law No. 3 - BAR LOUNGE AND CATERING

- 3.1 The Bar Lounge will be open to members at times to be decided by the Executive Committee.
- 3.2 The Bar will be open at times to be decided by the Executive Committee within the limitations of the Licensing Laws.
- 3.3 Members or visitors may not enter the Bar Lounge or the River Room in wet clothing, oilskins, wet suits or dirty clothing.
- 3.4 The Club may be closed to all Members not in possession of a ticket from 1700hrs to midnight on New Year's Eve and up to three other occasions annually as decided by the Executive Committee.
- 3.5 Members and visitors may not consume their own food within Shore House Clubhouse and Garden when the Club's caterer is operating. The only exceptions are:

Staff and members undertaking club duties, eg bar volunteers (eaten discretely).

Packed lunches for children 11 years or younger attending club activities.

Packed lunches for other specified events, eg Open Meetings, Kipper Week, Youth Sailing

Bye-Law No. 4 - SAFETY

- 4.1 No member may have work carried out on his or her boat in the pound by a contractor or sub-contractor without the written permission of a Club Officer as defined in Rule 5.
- 4.2 All members are to act in such a manner as to protect their own safety and the safety of others. All equipment brought on to Club property by members must be safe and fit for its specific purpose and must be safely used and stored and be maintained so as to remain safe. Club equipment, including boats, used by members must be left in a safe condition and any damage or deficiency must be reported IMMEDIATELY to the Club Administrator or the Hon Secretary.
- 4.3 Members using Club boats are to apply good seamanship practices (including the use of safety equipment) particularly concerning the safety of persons afloat and of the boat appropriate to the prevailing weather,

experience of the crew and the task in hand. Alcohol is not to be consumed aboard Club owned boats when these are used for safety or training tasks.

- 4.4 Warsash Sailing Club will not accept responsibility for damage, injury or loss occurring to either persons or property caused by privately owned or Club boats.
- 4.5 Items of portable electrical equipment for use outside (e.g. in a pound) are only to be connected to the designated external power points. Care is to be taken when running external cables to protect people from electric shock (e.g. from a damaged cable) and from a trip hazard. Cables are to be disconnected and safely stowed when the supplied equipment is not in use and during the hours of darkness. Boats using Shore House jetty may make use of the designated shore power points at all times although skippers are to ensure that cables are safely run (e.g. to avoid trip hazards and cable damage due to boats surging etc).
- 4.6 Members are to ensure the safe operation of their own equipment (e.g. music/sound systems) within the clubhouses. Such equipment is normally to be switched off when unattended, unless suitable arrangements have been made for its safety monitoring (e.g. by Club staff).

Bye-Law No. 5 - DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY

- 5.1 It is the duty of every person, whether or not they are a member, who leaves any article on Club premises, to ensure that it is marked and remains marked with a name and contact details sufficient to identify the owner or person responsible for it. The Executive Committee shall be entitled to remove or cause to be removed to any other part of the Club premises any dinghy, boat, equipment or chattel, including all items within the scope of The Merchant Shipping Act 1995 (all of which said things are hereinafter called 'articles') belonging in whole or part to a member or former member of the Club (hereinafter called the 'member') without being liable in any manner including for any loss of or damage to the articles howsoever caused, in any of the following circumstances.
 - (a) When the member ceases to be a member of the Club for a period of one month or more.
 - (b) When the member is in arrears in payment of dues of whatever nature (including annual subscription) to the Club for a period of one month or more.
 - (c) If the article is unusable (a resolution recorded in the minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee at which there is a quorum and which a majority of the Committee Members are satisfied that the article is unusable shall be conclusive evidence of that fact).
 - (d) When no identification mark or sign by which the owner of the article can be identified when it is first drawn to the attention of the Executive Committee.
- 5.2 In any of the circumstances mentioned in 5.1 above, the Executive Committee may by resolution as aforesaid:
 - (a) be entitled upon giving one month's notice in writing by registered post to the member or former member, at his last known address as shown in the register of members, to sell the article and accept the best offer received within 21 days of the offer for sale being posted on the Club notice board or
 - (b) if the article is not marked in accordance with this bye-law, and reasonable enquiries have not identified the owner, and his/her address or contact details, the Club may advertise in Yachts and Yachting or a similar publication its intention to proceed to dispose of the article in accordance with the following sub paragraphs
 - (c) be entitled upon giving notice as aforementioned to dispose of the article in any manner the Executive Committee may think fit, and the expenses recovered from the member or former member from the proceeds of sale. Any arrears as aforesaid shall be deemed to be a debt owing to the Club by the member or former member or
 - (d) be entitled upon giving notice as aforementioned to appropriate the article for the benefit of the Club or
 - (e) be entitled to deduct any monies due to the Club from the net proceeds of any sale of the article before accounting for the balance (if any) to the member or former member at his last known address and to appropriate any such balance, if such balance be not claimed by the member within 3 months of written notification.
- 5.3 The Executive Committee is the authorized agent of the member for all purposes of 5.2 above and neither the Executive Committee nor any member thereof shall be liable in damages or any other manner to the member for or in respect of the exercise of the powers contained in 5.2 above. Further, the Club shall at all times have lien over the member's or former member's articles on the Club's premises in respect of all monies due to the Club, whether in respect of arrears or mooring fees or subscription or otherwise. Where a member is in arrears with the payment of monies owed to the Club by at least 6 months, the Club may in any event take possession of the member's article. Further the Club shall at all times have a lien over members' or former members' boats parked or moored on the Club's premises or Club moorings in respect of all monies due to the Club, whether in respect of arrears of mooring fees or subscriptions or otherwise.

PROVIDED ALWAYS THAT:

Proper evidence is available to show that all reasonable steps have been taken to trace a member or former member and that when and if the vessel is sold the proceeds of sale (less any indebtedness by the member or former member to the Club) shall be placed upon bank deposit account and retained against the eventuality of a claim by the owner (whether he be the said member or former member or otherwise) for a period of 6 years.

Bye-Law No. 6 - COMMERCIAL VESSELS

6.1 No vessel shall be entitled to the benefits and privileges of the Club when being used for commercial purposes (e.g. trade, business, letting, hire, charter, instruction or for any other purpose from which the owner obtains a pecuniary advantage).

Providing always that this bye-law is not intended to preclude any member from occasionally using his vessel for such commercial purposes, or to deprive such a vessel of the benefits and privileges of the Club, except during those times when it is actually engaged in commercial activities.

6.2 No member's yacht when being used for commercial purposes (except when the member is on board, or the vessel is under command of another member) shall leave on board or permit to be used on the vessel any Club burgee.

Bye-Law No. 7 – POUNDS AND OUTBOARD SHED

7.1 Space Allocation:

- Boat owners must apply for and pay for a designated space on Club premises.
- Boats must be parked in their allocated spaces.
- Pound wardens allocate spaces twice a year; Annual and Summer-Only, covering the period 1st April to 31st October. Winter-Only, for the period 1st November to 31st March.
- Priority is given to those with previous Annual allocations who actively used their space and applied before the closing date.
- All other applications are first come, first served.

Lobster Quay Exception: If Lobster Quay cannot accommodate a valid application, Shore House pound space may be offered.

Priority and Inactive Boats: Boats that were stored but not actively used during the previous year do not automatically retain priority. This applies to boats unused within the past 12 months.

Shore House Trailer Sailors: Shore House pound has designated spaces for trailer sailors.

Unallocated summer spaces may be subdivided for additional dinghy spaces.

Other Equipment: Club members' other equipment stored on premises receives allotted space by the Executive Committee or a designated member. A fee applies if equipment occupies a marked space in a pound.

7.1.1 Any boat, trailer, trolley or other equipment stored on the Club premises must be clearly marked with the owner's name and contact phone number. Further, any boat or other equipment occupying a marked space in a pound must display a coloured WSC sticker and a trolley tag, which will be issued once the application has been processed and the invoice paid.

7.1.2 The sticker and trolley tag must be displayed such that it is visible at all times, without requiring removal of a cover or movement of a boat. Exception may only be made under special circumstances, when permission must be obtained from the pound warden, or Honorary Secretary. Boats that fail to display the appropriate sticker/trolley tag will be deemed to be 'unauthorised' (as defined in 7.3) will be removed from the pound and the space re-let and may not be allocated a space in the following year.

7.1.3 Trailers and trolleys must be maintained in a satisfactory state such that they may be moved without causing damage to the pound surfaces (e.g. wheel bearings not permitted to seize, flat tyres, broken trolleys etc). Boats and equipment that do not conform, will be given written notice by the pound warden. Failure to take corrective action within 1 month will result in the boat being considered 'unauthorised' (see 7.3) and may result in the boat being removed and the pound space being re-let and may not be allocated a space in the following year.

7.1.4 Allocated spaces must be occupied by 1st June annually, or they may be re-let. Spaces are not transferable between members for any reason.

7.2 The foregoing method of allocating spaces will also apply to spaces in the outboard shed.

7.3 Boats and/or trailers and/or trolleys which cannot be readily identified, or do not display an in-date, valid sticker, or are parked in other than the allocated space (i.e. see 7.1), or the owner thereof is no longer a Club member or

is in debt to the Club for a period of 1 month or more (i.e. see 5.1) or is otherwise not conforming to the Club's rules and bye-laws are deemed to be unauthorised. Unauthorised boats will be impounded and/or immobilized and/or moved (see 7.6) and may not be allocated a space in the following year.

- 7.4 Where the owner of an unauthorised boat and/or trailer and/or trolley (defined in 7.3 above) has not paid the specified fees and can be traced, they will either be invoiced for pound fees due for the whole of the current period plus a £10 administration fee or the sum of £10 per week until the boat is removed from the Club's premises plus a £10 administration fee as specified by the Honorary Treasurer. Such invoiced charges are due for payment within a period of 7 days. The owner will also be required to remove it from the Club's premises within a period of 7 days until such time as proper application is made and space allocated (if available).
- 7.5 Where the owner of an unauthorised boat and/or trailer and/or trolley (defined in 7.3 above) cannot be traced, or fees due under clause 7.4 remain unpaid after a period of 7 days, the boat may be disposed of under bye-law No. 5.1 - Disposal of Property.
- 7.6 Pound wardens will normally contact the owners of boats and/or trailers and/or trolleys required to be moved by the Club and give them up to a maximum period of 7 days in which to do so. However, in the case of an abandoned or unauthorized boat and/or trailer and/or trolley (i.e. as defined in 7.3 above) or in the event of a significant emergency (e.g. a fire in an adjacent boat) or if a boat and/or trailer and/or trolley is impeding the operation of the pound (e.g. by blocking a gangway or being parked in another member's space) the Club may, without notice, move the boat and/or trailer and/or trolley to any part of the club premises without being liable for any loss or damage to the boat and/or trailer and/or trolley and any equipment howsoever caused. For the avoidance of doubt, the Club may cut or remove padlocks cables, chains or any securing devices for the purpose of moving the aforementioned boat and/or trailer and/or trolley without any obligation to re-secure it and accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage arising directly or indirectly in consequence thereof.
- 7.7 The Sailing Committee will specify the size of the spaces in the boat pounds, including for sailing boats, tenders, SUPs and Kayaks. The pound wardens will then allocate and administer these spaces. Double and triple stack trailers are not allowed to be stored in Shore House Pound, except at the discretion of the pound wardens.
- 7.8 Multi-hulls can be accepted for storage in Shore House pound, only if secured to the satisfaction of the pound warden.
- 7.9 In Lobster Quay pound, boats may only be left on launching trolleys. However, in Shore House pound, boats may also be left on road trailers if there is space, subject to the pound warden's permission and the payment of the appropriate fee.
- 7.10 The pound warden/Executive Committee may reject applications for berths for vessels deemed to be unsuitable.
- 7.11 There are no occasional spaces within the pound. Visitors should contact the pound warden in advance for short term space. Any temporary boats/trailers placed in the pound without prior approval of the pound warden, will be deemed unauthorised, see 7.3.
- 7.12 Members are to inform the pound warden if they are keeping an outboard engine within any boat stored in Club pounds. Fuel may not be stored in or around any boats stored in either dinghy compound.
- 7.13 SUP and Kayak storage spaces will be available annually for the period 1st April to 31st March and will be allocated on a strictly first come, first served basis. All SUPs and Kayaks should be clearly marked with the owner's name and contact phone number. Applications for SUP and Kayak spaces will be available along with the summer pound applications.

Bye-Law No. 8 - MEMBERSHIP

- 8.1 The present rights and privileges of each category of membership shall be as follows:
A FULL MEMBER shall have the full use of all the Club facilities.
A JOINT MEMBER shall each have the full use of all the Club facilities subject only to Rule 44.
A FAMILY MEMBER, his/her co-habitee (if any) and all the children within their guardianship under the age of eighteen shall have the full use of all the Club facilities subject only to Rule 44. For the avoidance of doubt, the spouse/co-habiting partner and children of paid staff may form a family membership.
A CADET MEMBER shall have the full use of all the Club facilities subject only to Rule 44. A Member under the age of 18 must be accompanied while at the Club and during all Club activities afloat by a parent who is a Club member. In exceptional circumstances, a Cadet Member may instead be sponsored by an adult Club member who has been nominated in writing by the parent to act *in loco parentis*, and who agrees to provide appropriate

supervision and guidance during Club activities. The parent or nominated adult member must be present at the Club or accompanying the event whenever the Cadet Member is involved in activities afloat.

A YOUNG ADULT MEMBER shall have the full use of all the Club facilities.

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AN OVERSEAS MEMBER shall have full use of all the Club facilities except for the right to store vessels or equipment in the pounds.

A GROUP MEMBER shall have the right to use the Club during group activities under the supervision of a group leader.

A TEMPORARY MEMBER (which expression includes members of another RYA recognized Club or organisation or visiting competitors (e.g. of an open event officially hosted by WSC)) and their families shall have the full use of the Club facilities but:

- (a) Shall have no right to permit their visitors (allowed by rule 22) to use the Club's afloat facilities;
- (b) Shall have no right to take any part in the management of the Club;
- (c) Shall not be eligible for training courses run for members by the Club, except when authorised by Rear Commodore Sailing;
- (d) Shall not be eligible to use Club boats (e.g. launches, RIBs, sailing dinghies), except when authorised by Rear Commodore Sailing;
- (e) Is deemed to have notice of and impliedly undertakes to comply with the Club rules, current Byelaws and Regulations as if he or she were a member of the Club and so far as the said Rules, Byelaws and Regulations may be deemed to apply to such Temporary Member;
- (f) Shall be liable to be expelled from the Club premises or to be prohibited from using the Club facilities if, in the opinion of a Club officer, he or she shall not have reasonably complied with the above conditions.
- (g) A temporary Member under the age of 18 must be accompanied whilst at the Club and involved in Club activities afloat by a parent, or adult (Club Member) nominated in writing by a parent as having local parentis in respect of the young temporary Members activities at the Club. The parent/nominated adult Member must be at the Club or accompanying the event whilst the Temporary Member is engaged in Club activities afloat."

Candidates for membership shall have no privileges whatever in relation to membership.

Bye-Law No. 9 - CLUB FACILITIES

- 9.1 No person may use the Club facilities or premises for any form of commercial interest without the written permission of the Executive Committee, which would be given only in exceptional circumstances. For clarification, this restriction does not apply to hirings of accommodation by the Club nor to a member having a business discussion on the Club's premises with his or her professional adviser, broker, accountant, solicitor etc.

Note not forming part of the Bye-Law: The above is not intended to preclude one member providing a service to another member which is to the mutual benefit of each member and does not disadvantage any other member.

Bye-Law No. 10 - INSURANCE

- 10.1 All members whose vessels or boats use the Clubs facilities i.e. jetties, pounds, launching ramps and the like must be insured for Third Party risks for a minimum of £3,000,000.

Bye-Law No. 11 – FINANCE

- 11.1 The Financial rules, which are approved by the Executive Committee, specify the procedures that are to be followed concerning budgets, bank account including the authorisation of bank transactions, income, expenditure including the obtaining of estimates, expenses and employees.
- 11.2 If a member has debts outstanding to the Club (e.g. pound fee, hall hire fee, membership fee), then his or her next application to use the club facilities (e.g. a pound space) will not be accepted until the debt has been paid and a further debt free period of 12 months has elapsed.

Bye-Law No. 12 – DOGS

- 12.1 Dogs on Club premises (including gardens and boat pounds) shall be kept on a lead at all times. Apart from assistance dogs, dogs are not allowed upstairs in Shore House, including on the balcony, or inside Lobster Quay building. Dogs are allowed downstairs in Shore House, including when food is being served. If objected to on the grounds of behaviour, dogs must be removed without question.

- 12.2 Owners of dogs are to clear up and dispose of any mess/faeces that their dogs make on Club premises, and if indoors (ground floor) Shore House wipe up any water they may bring into the Club.

Bye-Law No. 13 – DECLARATION OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

- 13.1 Any member of the Executive Committee or the Bar Committee who has an interest in the supply of goods and services to the Club or whose close relative has such an interest or any other member in a position to influence the supply of goods or services to the Club shall declare that interest in writing. Any such member who has a non-financial interest which could influence decisions of these bodies shall declare that interest in writing.
- 13.2 Any member of the Executive Committee with a prejudicial interest in any matter, that is to say an interest which is so important that a reasonable person might think that the member would be influenced by it, should withdraw from any meeting during the discussion of such a matter.
- 13.3 Before a member of the Executive Committee or Bar Committee supplies goods or services to the Club, the member concerned should be approved by the Executive Committee as a supplier and the nature of the goods or services defined. Any invoice from the member should itemize the goods and where supplied the labour and include receipts for any goods purchased for the Club.

Bye-Law No. 14 – SMOKING ON CLUB PREMISES

- 14.1 The smoking of Tobacco products or Electronic Cigarettes (E-Cigarettes) is prohibited within any building, balcony or Club boat of Warsash Sailing Club (i.e. wherever the smoking of tobacco cigarettes is prohibited by law or determined by the Club). For clarification this prohibition extends to all forms of E-Cigarettes, which are also known as Vaporisers (Vapers) or Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS) and which may/may not look like tobacco cigarettes, may/may not emit vapour and may/may not contain nicotine. Members who smoke in the garden or pounds are asked to be respectful of non-smokers and children in the vicinity.

Bye-Law No. 15 – RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE BEHAVIOUR OF CHILDREN

- 15.1 Parents, guardians or hosts of any child are responsible for that child's behaviour at all times that the child is on the club premises and/or using club facilities. This byelaw applies whether the child is a Family Member or a guest.
- 15.2 Cadet Members are deemed responsible for their own behaviour whilst on club premises and/or using club facilities.
- 15.3 Parents, guardians or hosts of children are reminded that the RYA Racing Charter defines the standards of behaviour required from all WSC members and their guests, including children. This requires all to show good manners, courtesy and respect for others, their property and for the property of the club.

Bye-Law No. 16 - GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION

- 16.1 Everyone in WSC is to adhere to the WSC Data Privacy Policy that is promulgated on the Club website. Inter Alia, this requires that, unless prior consent has been obtained from the member(s) concerned, only personal information essential to the operating of WSC is to be held and processed. Furthermore, all personal data held on mobile computing devices (e.g. laptops, iPhones, back up discs etc) is to be protected by encryption.

Bye-Law No. 17 – HIRE OF CLUB BOATS

- 17.1 Adult members hiring Club boats (for the avoidance of doubt "hire" includes approved loan or other authorised use) who damage the hired boat will be required to pay for repairs up to the value of the insurance excess. If adult members hiring a Club boat cause damage to a third party's boat or property for which the Executive Committee decide that they are culpable (e.g. by collision when they are "give way" vessel) then they will be required contribute 100% to the cost of the third-party repairs up to a maximum payment of £250.

Bye-Law No. 18 – VISITORS - AMPLIFICATION

- 18.1 This by-law should be read in conjunction with WSC Club rule no. 24, it is intended to clarify and expand on members responsibilities related to that rule.
- 18.2 Where rule 24 refers to club premises," premises" is to be taken as including all club buildings, pounds, gardens, piers and floating structures owned and/or operated by WSC.
- 18.3 Rule 24 states "a visitor may not be introduced into the Club under this rule on more than six occasions during the Club year". Visitors include guests and crew who are not members of WSC. Those only attending Lobster Quay (e.g., for crewing in a member's boat) should be signed into the "Guest Crew" book in Lobster quay building by an adult member. Visitors/guests/crew who are likely to attend the club more than six times per Annum should

be asked to consider applying for Full Membership, noting that Temporary Membership is available for crew participating in a race series etc. (see rule 22).

- 18.4 Members are responsible for the behaviour of their visitors/guests and crew whilst using any of the club's facilities and should make them aware of relevant health and safety requirements (i.e. exit routes from buildings, wearing of personal safety equipment (Bylaw 4) etc).
- 18.5 Visitors/Guests/crew may only use club facilities in the company of their "sponsoring" member. Unaccompanied visits by non-members are not allowed.
- 18.6 The above provisions are intended to ensure that the Club insurance, and health and safety responsibilities are complied with. Boat owners are advised to check if their boat insurance covers accidental injury to their crew, and/or loss/damage to the property of their crew.

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