

Mount's Bay Sailing Club

Bye-laws

CHILD SAFEGUARDING

1. It is the policy of the Club to safeguard children and young people taking part in sailing from physical, sexual or emotional harm. The Club will take all reasonable steps to ensure that, through appropriate procedures and training, children participating in Club activities do so in a safe environment. The Club recognises that the safety and welfare of the child is paramount and that all children, whatever their age, gender, disability, culture, ethnic origin, colour, religion or belief, social status or sexual identity, have a right to protection from abuse. For the purposes of this policy anyone under the age of 18 should be considered as a child.

In applying this policy, the Club will use the RYA publication: 'Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy and Guidelines for Clubs, Class Associations & Recognised Training Centres'.

CONSENT FOR USE OF IMAGES

2. By participating in a Club activity, a member automatically grants to the Club without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the activity.

CLUBHOUSE

3. Dogs, except guide dogs and assistance dogs are not allowed in the Clubhouse.

GUESTS

4. Each guest may visit the Club up to six times in any Club year. If visits become more frequent, he or she will be expected to apply for membership.
5. The total number of guests introduced by any one member shall not be more than 12 in any one year unless special permission is obtained from the General Committee.

TEMPORARY MEMBERS

6. Temporary Members have the full use of all the Club's facilities and Dinghy Pen.
7. A member of Penzance Sailing Club who participates in the Club's Sailing Programme either as a competitor or as a race official is a temporary member of the Club for the relevant day(s) up to a maximum of 15 days each sailing season. Any such person who wishes to participate more often should apply for membership of the Club.

DINGHY PEN

8. Members wishing to use a boat space in the Dinghy Pen shall seek the Sailing Secretary's prior permission and pay the required dinghy pen fee to the Membership Secretary.
9. Boats shall not be placed in the Dinghy Pen prior to a date two weeks before the first race in the Club's Sailing Programme and shall be removed from the Dinghy Pen after the end of the Club's Sailing Programme by 14th November, or such later date as may be agreed by the Sailing Committee.
10. Canoes and kayaks shall not be kept in the Dinghy Pen.
11. Power boats shall not be placed in the Dinghy Pen without the prior permission of the Sailing Secretary.

12. Members who keep a boat in the Dinghy Pen shall comply with the following rules:

- a) Boats shall only be left in spaces allocated by the Sailing Secretary, the Dinghy Pen Officer or a Class Captain.
- b) Boats shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.
- c) Boats shall be fastened down to steel landlines, if provided.
- d) Boats shall be kept on proper trolleys.
- e) Boats participating in Club racing shall comply with their class buoyancy rules.
- f) Combination road trailers may be left to secure a boat in its allocated space. Loose road trailers shall not be left in the dinghy pen for more than 48 hours.
- g) Owners shall cut the area of grass within their allocated space at least twice a year and keep their space clean and tidy during the sailing season.
- h) Owners shall participate in the annual 'Dinghy Pen Clearance' following the end of the Club's Sailing Programme.

13. Boat owners who have not paid the required dinghy pen fee are liable to have their boats disposed of in the manner prescribed by the RYA.

14. Dogs, other than guide dogs and assistance dogs, are not allowed in the Dinghy Pen.

BOAT TRACTOR

15. The boat tractor shall be driven only by the designated drivers specified by the Sailing Committee.

16. The boat tractor shall not be driven on any highway.

SAFETY BOATS

17. The safety boats may only be used for official club events or on such other occasions as agreed by the General Purposes Committee or by two officers from the Commodore, Sailing Secretary and Boats Officer.

18. Safety boats may only be skippered/driven by members who are aged 18 or over and may only be crewed by members aged 16 or over unless they are enrolled in an RYA Safety Boat Course when the age can be reduced to 15.

19. Safety boat crews shall wear lifejackets/buoyancy aids when at sea.

TROPHIES

20. Members awarded trophies are responsible for their care, safe keeping and engraving while in their custody. Trophies shall be returned safely to the Club at the appropriate time.

AGM NOMINATION

21. Nominations for the club officers, class captains and General Committee Members must be submitted in writing to the General Secretary no later than 48 hours before the scheduled start of the AGM. The nomination should state the position or office for which the person is nominated and be signed by the nominator, seconder and nominee, all of whom must be members entitled to vote at the AGM.

Adopted by the Club's General Purposes Committee on 20 May 2014