



NEWHAVEN AND SEAFORD SAILING CLUB LTD

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Safety

1. Personal buoyancy, to RYA recommended standards, must be worn on Piddinghoe Lake or sea at all times and also for children at Piddinghoe when on or near the Lake edge.
2. All craft must be insured for Third Party liability in line with RYA recommendations (currently £2M)
3. Parents are responsible for the behaviour and welfare of their children on Club premises at all times. They should ensure that young children wear personal buoyancy when on or near the water.
4. Powered craft, rubber (inflatable) boats/lilo's, and canoes etc. are not allowed on the water at Piddinghoe, apart from Club safety boats and those associated with special activities approved in writing by the Directors. Canoeists with certificates of competency from the BCU (British Canoe Union) are welcome to apply to the Piddinghoe Rear Commodore for approval to use their canoes in the support of sailing instruction.

Management of Facilities

5. Use of Club premises for private activities must be arranged through the respective Rear Commodore and approved by the Club Directors.
6. Dogs are permitted on Club property and premises and must be kept under control and on a short lead at all times. Owners are required to immediately clear-up and remove from site any fouling. Given the health risks to young children, any breach of this rule will be treated seriously.
7. The Directors may close, or limit member's access to Piddinghoe, during training or other large events (eg Cadet Week). Such closure or limitations will be notified in advance in Mainsheet and on notice-boards.
8. No camping is allowed on Club premises unless approved in writing by the Directors (apart from agreed Open Events).
9. Members are not allowed to fish at Piddinghoe.
10. Members with model yachts and quiet model powerboats may apply to the Piddinghoe Rear Commodore for permission to use them when there are no other organised sailing activities.
11. No gas stoves, appliances or fires are allowed on the Club premises except as operated by Club Officials at formal events.
12. Members are requested to take home any rubbish, particularly food items

Membership and Management

- 13.- 21. Cover membership of committees & provision of alcohol - details from the Secretary.
22. A member of any Club recognised by the Royal Yachting Association may be authorised to use the premises of this Club by any Director of the Club. Such authorisations shall specify between which dates, such dates not being more than 14 days apart, the said person may use the premises.
23. Any person who is a competitor in any Open Race sponsored or organised on behalf of the Club and any person who is a member of the crew of such competitors for the purpose of the race, may use the club premises within a period of 24 hours before and 24 hours after the race or races.
24. Guests:
 - a. Guest of all ages may be introduced by members provided that all their names are entered in the visitors Book
 - b. A member may only introduce two adult guests in any one day
 - c. No person may be introduced as a guest more than four times in any one year.
 - d. Persons who have been struck off the list of members or have been rejected for membership shall not be introduced as guests.
25. The authority of two Directors is required to expel temporarily or permanently any person who has the right to use the Club premises. Permanent expulsion must be ratified at the next Directors meeting.



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Vehicular Access

26. Vehicles must only be parked in the designated car parks. At Piddinghoe members are especially advised that parking outside the car park gateway blocks neighbours access.
27. A current parking sticker must be displayed in the windscreen.
28. At Piddinghoe: vehicles are not allowed beyond the car park unless approved by an official of the Club. Such approval will normally only be agreed for the movement of multi-tiered trailers.
29. At Seaford: vehicles must never enter the boat park area bounded by Bosun's store, ramp and pump house due to buried piping. The seawall ramp is unsafe for vehicles, and in emergencies the concrete ramp and gate at the east end (far end) of the boat park must be used.

Berthing

30. Members leaving or using craft on Club premises must comply with the requests of Club Officers.
31. Masts to be lowered when boats left overnight except when secured to an approved ground anchor.
32. The Club will not be responsible for the loss or damage to a member's property. Boats, trailers and other equipment are left on the Club premises entirely at their owner's risk.
33. Each berth must be kept clear of rubbish. Any grass/weeds must be cut regularly please.
34. Current berthing stickers must be visible on the stern when boats are in their berths.
35. Trailers must be parked in berths or in the designated trailer park (Seaford).
36. All access areas must be kept clear.
37. Abandoned boats will be disposed of after three months under the procedure recommended by the RYA in Schedule One the "Torts (Interference with Goods) Act 1977".
38. Boats longer than 4.50 metres should not be berthed or sailed at Piddinghoe.
39. PIDDINGHOE only: In addition to the berth holder's primary dinghy or sailboard, another sailboard, or dinghy less than 8' e.g. Oppie, or canoe, may be housed on the berth at no additional cost. (i.e. 2 items in total) If the member wishes to store a further sailboard or canoe on his berth he may do so at a cost of 1/3 of a full berth fee.

The use of tiered trailers is also acceptable subject to inspection and approval by the Berthmaster. Second and subsequent craft on such trailers will be charged at 2/3 of a full berth fee. Multi-tier trailers must satisfy safety requirements and be secured to ground anchors.

SEAFORD: due to the high winds and difficulty of providing adequate ground anchors, multiple craft on one berth are not normally permitted. Contact the Berth master for advice.

40. All craft stored on a berth must be registered with the Berthmaster and berths should never be used to store craft etc. for other people
41. Craft and trailers must not overlap other berths or access areas
42. Only full sailing members may have a berth and launch a boat from Club facilities, except where involved in an Open or Training event hosted by the club or being a member of an RYA affiliated club with the written approval of a Director.
43. No new berths will be allocated until the necessary documentation is completed and fees paid.
44. Craft without an allocated berth may be left on the temporary 48 hour berths provided that their details have been registered with the Berthmaster beforehand. Any boats left on-site without prior registration or left outside their respective berths may be subject to confiscation of equipment or removal of the craft by club officials.
45. Berths may not be transferred and should a craft be sold the Berthmaster must be informed.