

Donaghadee Sailing Club

Use of Club Boats for Club Racing and Events 6/03/17

*This procedure is to control and ensure the safe use of Club owned boats by **Club Members**. The Club is very fortunate to have available 5 GP14, 6 Picos, 6 Toppers, 3 Race Toppers, 1 RS Tera, 1 Laser radial and 2 Laser Stratos Keels*

Use in Club Activities

Club boats (**with the exception of the 3 Race Toppers**) can be used in the following circumstances and subject to the accompanying conditions:

(1) For Club racing on Wednesday evening and Sunday afternoon

- Anyone using a Club boat must firstly satisfy the Club of their ability to sail safely before going afloat. You must complete an application annually (on first occasion only) for use of Club boats prior to use. By completing this form you are also acknowledging that you will be liable for any damage or loss while using the Club Boat. The user will be required to pay any insurance excess.
- A list of all Club members who have completed an application form for use of a Club Boat, which has been approved by the RYA Sailing Principal, will be displayed on the Club Notice Board.
- The use of a Club Boat for over 18s (excluding those in full time education under the age of 23) is subject to a donation of £5 per day and must be paid in advance or on the day of sailing by placing the payment in an envelope along with name and date.
- Anyone wishing to use the same boat for the duration of a race series, must make the necessary donation in advance to cover the period of the race series. e.g. 10 races at £5 per race = £50. Donations cannot be transferred if the hirer is unable to sail.
- All Club GP14s must be sailed with an inflated mast head float at all times.
- The boat number and users identity will be evident from the race record sheet. Anyone not making a donation will be excluded from the race results. Club Boats are available on a first come basis.
- Boat shall be returned to the boat park immediately after use, with all equipment washed, all sails folded and equipment stowed in a neat and tidy manner

(2) For all training events

- Under the supervision of an RYA Senior instructor

(3) For social sailing

- For sessions designated as social / recreational / disability sailing, safety boat(s) shall be in attendance with a qualified helm with first aid and an appropriate crew over the age of 16 years.

(4) Friday Club Nights for Juniors

- Picos, Toppers and Tera, helmed by juniors with minimum of RYA Stage 4
- Senior instructor or suitable experienced adult must be in attendance
- Safety boat(s) to be in attendance
- Any other use of Club Boats must be agreed by the RYA Club Sailing Principal in advance.
- GP14s and stratos can be helmed by an SI / DI / or competent adult.

Use of Club Boats in Open or Championship Events

The following two sections apply to all age groups. Under 18s will require signature of parent on the application form

1. There are 4 GP14s available to attend GP14 events, regattas and other events.
2. The donation will be £25 for each scheduled sailing day of the event, payable in advance.
3. Boat measurement certificates are available if required for the event
4. A two boat road trailer is available to transport to events

Use of Race Toppers in Open or Championship events

1. There are 3 Race Toppers available to promote junior racing and attend Topper class events. They will be offered to juniors who have gained their stage 4 and start racing qualifications. Each boat will be available to one member and will be kept in the dinghy park. Dinghy park fees and insurance costs will be covered by the club.
2. Boats can be available for an extended period of 6 or 12 months at a donation of £30 per month.
3. Boats could be available at a donation of £25 for each scheduled sailing day with donation in advance.
4. They can be used by the user for Club racing, regattas, regional and national events, as well as Topper Class training.
5. They shall not be used for any other Club activities without the express permission of the Training Principal.
6. A 4 boat trailer is available for a group to attend an event.

General conditions associated with the above two sections

1. Use will require the completion of an application form accepting these conditions
2. Use will only be permitted by the Club to a competent helm
3. The user is responsible for transporting the boat and equipment to and from the event. A lighting board is not supplied
4. The user should satisfy themselves that the boat is complete, undamaged and adequately prepared for the event.
5. Boats are insured by the Club.
6. The user is responsible for the repair of any damage or loss of equipment that does not result in an insurance claim. In the event of a claim they will be liable for any claim excess. All repairs must be to the satisfaction of the Club.
7. The boat shall be returned to the boat park immediately after the event, with all equipment washed, all sails folded and equipment stowed in a neat and tidy manner

Club Members shall report any damage or missing equipment and help us maintain our boats in a safe condition for the next user.

Donations received for the use of Club boats will be used for the maintenance of the boats

A notice will be displayed in the dinghy park indicating the user is deemed to agree to the conditions contained in the of a hire agreement that is displayed on the notice board.

APPLICATION FOR USE OF A CLUB BOAT

(For Club activities or external events)

Name:

Address.....Postcode:.....

Email: Phone:

Qualifications or Experience:

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Please circle category of use:-

(A) Club Activity

(£5 donation per day for those over 18 years, excluding those in full time education under the age of 23)

(B) Club activity for extended period

(£5 donation per day for those over 18 years, excluding those in full time education under the age of 23)

Start date..... Number of races..... Donation amount £.....
Boat type..... Boat number.....

(C) Open / Championship Event *(£25 donation per race day)*

Event:Dates.....

No. of scheduled racing days: Pick up date: Return date.....

Other Club Equipment being taken: (if none state 'None').....
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Boat type: Boat Number:

(D) Topper extended use. *(Available for 6 or 12 months at a donation of £30 per month)*

Start date..... Period 6 months / 12 months (circle)

Total Payment Due: £

I agree to the terms and conditions of use set out in the Use of Club Boats document and acknowledge that I am liable for any damage or loss caused while using the boat.

Signed:
(Parental signature required if user is under 18 years)

For Official Use (for External Event)

Return inspection completed? YES / NO

Number of days use: Loss or damage noted:

Fee paid? YES/ NO