

DESBOROUGH SAILING CLUB

SHEPPERTON, MIDDLESEX



Desborough SC is re-opening in line with government and RYA guidance, please accept and follow our latest advice and restrictions applied for individual and general safety regarding the risk of Covid 19 infection.

General Advice on hygiene and safety whilst at the Club

- Toilets will be available with restrictions: One at a time, announce arrival with a shout, clean facilities and handles before and after use with sanitiser, normal hand washing hygiene.
- Members who consider themselves to be in a vulnerable group should consider whether they should be visiting the Club as despite best efforts in control, there will be an increased risk of infection associated with sailing activity. Nobody with fever or symptoms associated with Covid 19 infection is allowed on Club premises.
- If you or any members of your household have symptoms of COVID 19 – Fever, Cough or loss of taste and /or smell please DO NOT come to the club.
- Any member who develops symptoms of COVID 19 having been at the Club in the previous 7 days should notify a member of the Committee and not come to the Club for 14days if tested positive for the virus
- Continue to follow government guidelines at all times including physical distancing 2m, and avoid gathering in groups of more than 6 people in the club grounds particularly around the clubhouse, jetties and slipways.
- Please do not come to the club unless you are prepared to observe the guidance.
- Prepare for your visit by bringing gloves and sanitiser to use whilst handling gates, locks, sheds and equipment such as mowers and fuel locker.
- No overnight stays on cruisers.
- Guests are not encouraged at this time. If a guest is brought to the club, we strongly suggest it is only a single person in line with current government advice.

Sailing and Safety on the Water

- If sailing without safety boat, weather conditions should be mild wind less than 15mph (max F4)
- Minimum 2 dinghies sailing for buddy safety.
- Launch from Downstream slipway, recover from upstream slipway to assist distancing

SAFETY BOAT GUIDELINES:

- Safety boat cover essential before any cadet launching or sailing.
- Most experienced helm and crew available to operate well within competence and capabilities.
- Household members to helm and crew if possible.
- Face covering may be used if required, hand hygiene before and after use.
- Safety boats and marks should be washed down at the end of the day. The safety boat number eg DSC1 used on a given day should be recorded and where possible this boat should not be used again for 3 days
- Use a longer rope painter to recover safety boat and observe 2m distancing.

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Stage 3 : RESUMPTION OF RACING, RYA TRAINING and COACHING. Sunday 7th June

- Desborough Sailing Club will allow informal racing in a way that maintains the requirements for Social Distancing and Gatherings and provides for the health and welfare of race teams and members.
- Duty teams will be volunteers drawn where possible from the rostered teams on days when sailing takes place .
- Duty Teams will supervise and advise on following these guidelines including controlling boat movements to assist physical distancing 2m. Duty Teams are asked to record all members present at the Club on the sheets available in the Race Box
- The safety and welfare of members and volunteer teams is paramount. Informal racing should be run from the club lawn unless members of the same household are available when the Race Box can be used. If the sailing conditions are such that that the wind speed is likely to exceed 18mph informal racing will not take place. Volunteers should bring and use their own equipment including pens and pencils Hand sanitizer will be available throughout the Club.
- Informal Racing may be run for single handed boats and for boats sailed by members genuinely of the same household. Informal racing should be as simple as possible to ensure that Volunteer Teams can operate with minimum numbers and **may** take place on Wednesday evenings at 7.30 and Sundays afternoons when there may be starts at 1.15 and 3,15 or at other times agreed by individual members. To avoid gatherings and assist with social distancing there will be no signing on or off.
- Changing room use should be minimized by members arriving in sailing kit and using outside marquees where possible
- Club boats may be used provided details are recorded on the sheet displayed outside the Clubhouse.
- Club boat use requires member to provide own sanitizer to wipe down or wash boat before and after use. Wash own hands after use of club boats and equipment.
- Information on RYA sailing courses and training to follow when safety procedures are established. It is anticipated that the summer sailing course will proceed with adjustments

Stage 4 : OPENING OF CLUBHOUSE AND BAR still TBC.

- Maximum one person serving bar and one in galley at anytime.
- Clubhouse numbers to be restricted to allow 2m distancing. Open windows and doors when suitable.
- Socialising 2m safely outside rather than inside where possible.

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