



## HAYLING ISLAND SAILING CLUB SAFETY TEAM BRIEFING

### SAFETY RIBS TO HAVE TWO PERSONS ON BOARD. ALLOCATED DRIVER AND CREW.

*(This guide may be laminated and handed to the safety boat drivers at the safety briefing).*

<b>KILL CORD SAFETY REQUIREMENT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>HELM TO WEAR THE KILL CORD WHENEVER THE ENGINE IS ON</b></li> <li>• <b>WHEN CLOSE TO SWIMMERS THE ENGINE MUST BE SWITCHED OFF. NEVER ALLOW A SWIMMER BETWEEN YOU AND ENGINE</b></li> </ul>
-------------------------------------	--

#### WHAT WE AIM TO DO:

- **BE VIGILANT AT ALL TIMES AND PROVIDE RAPID SAFETY SUPPORT FOR COMPETITORS AND OTHERS IF NECESSARY.**
- **PUT THE SAFETY OF PEOPLE BEFORE EQUIPMENT.**
- **OPERATE RIBS SAFELY AND RESPONSIBLY iaw IRPCS**
- **KEEP NEAR OUR STATIONS AND CLEAR OF RACING BOATS.**

ATTEND QUICKLY ALL INCIDENTS IN YOUR ASSIGNED AREA BE READY TO ENTER WATER, LAST RESORT ONLY.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ENSURE ALL PERSONS ARE SURFACED AND COUNT HEADS</li> <li>• LOOK OUT FOR SERIOUS INJURIES, (IE NEEDING SOME HELP)</li> <li>• IF OK STAND OFF, KEEP CHECKING FOR OTHER INCIDENTS</li> <li>• OFFER HELP IF REQUESTED, OR IF APPARENT DIFFICULTY</li> <li>• WEAR SUITABLE THERMAL PROTECTION, WET/DRY SUIT.</li> <li>• DO NOT LEAVE YOUR ASSIGNED AREA, OR TASK WITHOUT ADVISING RACE OFFICER OR SAFETY LEADER</li> </ul>
IF SAILOR TRAPPED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RIGHT THE BOAT ASAP. DON'T TRY TO RELEASE THE SAILOR BEFORE RIGHTING THE BOAT. (ref RYA REPORT ON ENTRAPMENT)</li> </ul>
IN CASES OF MINOR INJURIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CALL CLUB OFFICE, CALL SIGN - HAYLING CLUB, AND ASK FOR A FIRST AIDER TO BE AT <b>AGREED LOCATION</b> TO RECEIVE CASUALTY. KEEP HIM/HER COMFORTABLE EN ROUTE.</li> </ul>
IN CASES OF SERIOUS INJURY OR MEDICAL PROBLEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RADIO "CODE RED", CALLSIGN, POSITION, PROBLEM</li> <li>• IF 999 NECESSARY, ASK RACE BOX / CLUB OFFICE TO CALL IT.</li> <li>• TAKE CASUALTY ASHORE ASAP OR AS INSTRUCTED BY SO/RO</li> <li>• ALL RADIO TRAFFIC TO BE MINIMAL UNTIL CODE RED IS CLEARED BY SO / RO.</li> </ul>
STRONG WINDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LOOK OUT FOR OVERPOWERED SAILORS BECOMING FATIGUED</li> <li>• TOW TO WAITING BUOY, COMMITTEE BOAT (CB), MOTHERSHIP OR, IF AGREED BY SO, TOW HOME. THEN RETURN TO SAILING AREA ASAP.</li> <li>• SO WILL POSITION SAFETY BOATS AT STRATEGIC POINTS ENROUTE HOME.</li> <li>• PUT SAFETY OF SAILORS BEFORE BOATS, BEWARE LEE SHORE!</li> </ul>
FOG / POOR VISIBILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IF GPS AVAILABLE, MARK WAY HOME AND CB (ON THE WAY OUT!)</li> <li>• COMPETITORS ADVISED TO COLLECT AT CB AND WAIT TO BE ESCORTED IN A GROUP.</li> <li>• SEARCH RACE AREA SLOWLY, WHISTLE, LISTEN FOR RESPONSE</li> <li>• REPORT NUMBERS OF BOATS WITH YOU.</li> </ul>
CALM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TOWING MAY BE REQUIRED, BUT WAIT UNTIL AUTHORISED</li> <li>• TOW FROM THE BACK OF THE FLEET, PICK UP STRAGGLERS FIRST. AFTER DROP OFF, RETURN TO SAILING AREA.</li> </ul>



## HAYLING ISLAND SAILING CLUB SAFETY TEAM BRIEFING

TOWING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ENSURE TOW CAN BE RELEASED QUICKLY</li> <li>• CONSIDER LENGTH OF TOW LINE AND SPEED</li> <li>• ALONGSIDE FOR SHORT HOPS OR RUDDER BROKEN</li> <li>• CREW FACES BACKWARDS CONSTANTLY WATCHING TOW</li> </ul>
DAMAGED BOAT TO BE MARKED WITH TAPE IF TO BE ABANDONED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ASSIST IF NO OTHER DEMANDS FOR ATTENTION</li> <li>• KEEP A LOOKOUT FOR MORE URGENT INCIDENTS</li> <li>• TAKE TO WAITING BUOY OR "MOTHERSHIP" FOR LATER TOW HOME</li> </ul>
MISSING COMPETITORS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A SEARCH PLAN WILL BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE SO/RO</li> <li>• NOTE THAT COASTGUARD MAY TAKE CONTROL</li> </ul>
TRANSIT TO AND FROM RACE AREA WEST POLE SAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAFETY BOATS WILL BE ASSIGNED TO FOLLOW THE LAST BOAT OUT TO THE COURSE AND BACK FROM THE COURSE.</li> <li>• SAFETY BOATS MAY NOT GIVE PERMISSION TO CROSS</li> <li>• GIVE ADVICE AND GUIDE ALONG SAFE ROUTES</li> <li>• SAFETY BOATS MAY BE ASKED TO PATROL W OF WEST POLE SAND</li> </ul>
COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GET CLOSE IF ANY INCIDENT, ODD BEHAVIOUR, DISTRESS SIGNAL, STOP TO TALK</li> <li>• PASS ON RETIREMENT DETAILS TO RACE OFFICER &amp; RACE BOX.</li> </ul>
LOOKING AFTER OURSELVES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AVOID TAKING RISKS, ESPECIALLY TO SAVE EQUIPMENT</li> <li>• THINK ABOUT DRINKS, FOOD, SUNSCREEN, CLOTHES, ETC</li> <li>• NO ALCOHOL NOR DRUGS</li> </ul>
COMMUNICATION WITH REST OF TEAM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• USE VHF CHANNEL (tba), MOBILE AS BACK UP (pick up contact sheet)</li> <li>• <b>TALLY ON BY CALLING RACE BOX WHEN GOING AFLOAT, ADVISE NUMBER OF PEOPLE ON BOARD. STAND DOWN ONLY WHEN RELEASED BY THE SO.</b></li> <li>• SEEK HELP FROM RO OR SO IF UNSURE ABOUT ANYTHING</li> <li>• IN EVENT OF COMMS FAILURE, FOLLOW THIS BRIEFING AND USE INITIATIVE</li> <li>• SOLENT COASTGUARD IS ON VHF 16 AND 67, OR 02392 552100</li> </ul>

### RIB Safety Equipment

IF USING YOUR OWN RIB MAKE SURE YOU HAVE:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TWO LONG TOW LINES AND FLOATING LINE, KNIFE, WIRE CUTTERS, WHISTLE, FIRST AID KIT</li> <li>• ANCHOR AND WARP, PADDLE, COMPASS, DRINKING WATER</li> <li>• PERSONAL BOUYANCY, TO BE WORN AT ALL TIMES.</li> <li>• THERMAL BLANKET, HAZARD TAPE - AVAILABLE FROM MARINE OFFICE FOR CLUB RIBS</li> </ul>
---	---

**Thanks for your help!**