



HAYLING ISLAND SAILING CLUB SAFETY TEAM BRIEFING

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

KILL CORD SAFETY REQUIREMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HELM TO WEAR THE KILL CORD WHENEVER THE ENGINE IS ON • WHEN CLOSE TO SWIMMERS THE ENGINE MUST BE SWITCHED OFF. NEVER ALLOW A SWIMMER BETWEEN YOU AND ENGINE
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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"> • ENSURE ALL PERSONS ARE SURFACED AND COUNT HEADS • LOOK OUT FOR SERIOUS INJURIES, (IE NEEDING SOME HELP) • IF OK STAND OFF, KEEP CHECKING FOR OTHER INCIDENTS • OFFER HELP IF REQUESTED, OR IF APPARENT DIFFICULTY • WEAR SUITABLE THERMAL PROTECTION, WET/DRY SUIT. • DO NOT LEAVE YOUR ASSIGNED AREA, OR TASK WITHOUT ADVISING RACE OFFICER OR SAFETY LEADER
IF SAILOR TRAPPED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RIGHT THE BOAT ASAP. DON'T TRY TO RELEASE THE SAILOR BEFORE RIGHTING THE BOAT.(ref RYA REPORT ON ENTRAPMENT)
IN CASES OF MINOR INJURIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CALL CLUB OFFICE, CALL SIGN - HAYLING CLUB, AND ASK FOR A FIRST AIDER TO BE AT AGREED LOCATION TO RECEIVE CASUALTY. KEEP HIM/HER COMFORTABLE EN ROUTE.
IN CASES OF SERIOUS INJURY OR MEDICAL PROBLEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RADIO "CODE RED", CALLSIGN, POSITION, PROBLEM • IF 999 NECESSARY, ASK RACE BOX / CLUB OFFICE TO CALL IT. • TAKE CASUALTY ASHORE ASAP OR AS INSTRUCTED BY SO/RO • ALL RADIO TRAFFIC TO BE MINIMAL UNTIL CODE RED IS CLEARED BY SO / RO.
STRONG WINDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LOOK OUT FOR OVERPOWERED SAILORS BECOMING FATIGUED • TOW TO WAITING BUOY, COMMITTEE BOAT (CB), MOTHERSHIP OR, IF AGREED BY SO, TOW HOME. THEN RETURN TO SAILING AREA ASAP. • SO WILL POSITION SAFETY BOATS AT STRATEGIC POINTS ENROUTE HOME. • PUT SAFETY OF SAILORS BEFORE BOATS, BEWARE LEE SHORE!
FOG / POOR VISIBILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IF GPS AVAILABLE, MARK WAY HOME AND CB (ON THE WAY OUT!) • COMPETITORS ADVISED TO COLLECT AT CB AND WAIT TO BE ESCORTED IN A GROUP. • SEARCH RACE AREA SLOWLY, WHISTLE, LISTEN FOR RESPONSE • REPORT NUMBERS OF BOATS WITH YOU.
CALM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOWING MAY BE REQUIRED, BUT WAIT UNTIL AUTHORISED • TOW FROM THE BACK OF THE FLEET, PICK UP STRAGGLERS FIRST. AFTER DROP OFF, RETURN TO SAILING AREA.



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

RIB Safety Equipment

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