



Burnham on Crouch Sailing Club

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Burnham Sailing Club Covid 19 Guidelines Updated 25th July 2020

Commencement of Club Racing at the Burnham Sailing Club from Wednesday 5th August 2020

It is proposed to start club class racing shortly, subject to the law, government and RYA guidance. The informal racing recently has shown what is possible for us as a Club.

Competitors are asked to race sensibly and responsibly so as to stop the possible spread of the corona virus. All skippers should ensure that their crews are made aware of amendments to the Sailing Instructions and this document which will all be available on the Burnham Sailing Club website.

Following guidance from the government and the RYA, it seems clear that outdoor sail boat racing is allowed subject to compliance with the rules on social distancing and group gatherings. The following is applicable for club class racing:

1. Anyone who is unwell with the symptoms of Covid-19 should avoid attending the club, dinghy park, pound or racing.

2. Social Distancing and mitigating measures. Boat crews (other than those from the same household) are advised to continue to stay two metres apart. If this is not possible, a distance of at least one metre (1m+) should be observed, provided the risk of infection is mitigated by taking other precautions, such as: avoiding being face-to-face with people outside of your household, by use of face coverings (i.e. masks and sunglasses), wearing sailing gloves and by not shouting. Social Distancing should take place on the marina ramp and pontoons, club pontoon, toilets, car park and dinghy park, unless persons are from the same household. Members are reminded that the seawall is a public through way and as per guidelines should avoid gathering there or causing obstructions. The decking is available. Crews are advised not to share water bottles, food or sun creams and to avoid more than one person touching sailing equipment such as, sheets, winch handles, paddles, bailers etc. Competitors should consider how they clean their boat before and after use, spraying touch points etc. Competitors are to act sensibly and responsibly towards other competitors and third parties. For example, by hand and sailing gear washing, covering one's mouth and nose when sneezing or coughing, keeping your distance and avoid being face to face with people outside your household.

3. Patrol boat crews will be instructed on social distancing and will not assist unless it is absolutely necessary. Therefore, the race officer, in addition to their usual discretion, may consider imposing a wind speed restriction on club class racing.

4. The changing rooms (but not the toilets) are currently closed, so please change at home.

5. Whilst on shore, competitors are asked to avoid public gatherings of more than 30 people from separate households, e.g. in communal areas, the dinghy park or pontoon. Again, members are reminded not to gather on the seawall, which is a public right of way.

BSC Committee

Amended and updated

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