



Roa Island Boating Club Limited

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Roa Island Boating Club Ltd. Covid 19 Policy and Procedure Document Created 13th May 2020 Reviewed 13th July 2021 Author P.Bibby

Roa Island Boating Club Covid 19 Statement, Policy and Procedures

The Covid-19 outbreak continues to be an evolving situation that represents a number of complex challenges and decisions for Roa Island Boating Club Ltd. Infections and deaths across the country are starting to increase again but the government have lifted some more restrictions following their 'roadmap' and RIBC Covid team have carried out a further review today.

Following advice from our governing body (RYA) we formed a Covid-19 action team and appointed a Covid Officer who will take into account of all the unique considerations within which the Club operates. The Health and Safety of the clubs' members, volunteers and staff are always the number one priority. All necessary measures will be taken to be Covid-19 secure and reduce the risk of infection from Covid-19 to members, volunteers, staff and visitors in accordance with current Government guidance. Likewise, in these times of increased strain on UK emergency services, the club will need to ensure that the risk of an incident leading to support from the emergency services is minimised. This relies on people taking individual and collective responsibility to protect, not only themselves, but everyone around them.

1. We will always follow government advice

a. The Covid-19 preventative measures are vital to protect health and wellbeing and to minimise pressure on front line services We all have a role to play by following the Governments laws and guidelines.

2. We will, as a boating community, take a considerate and conservative approach.

a. Considerate; be mindful of the potential impact that you could have on other users and do not place unnecessary extra strain on the RNLI and other emergency services.

b. Conservative; help to minimise risk by taking an extra conservative approach to Club activities

**Covid 19 Action Team
Steve Almond Covid Officer
Ian Postlethwaite. Paul Bibby**

Roa Island Boating Club Ltd Working Procedures

We will review our procedures regularly and ensure amended procedures are based upon Government laws and guidelines and on what is working. We will always ensure that procedures are working and will take action if they are not working.

The boat club is fully open (with some controls) but we will not hesitate to shut down again if this would be the best interests of our members.

All members will be required to practise social distancing, wear face masks in all buildings and follow all current government laws and guidelines.

Spar Shed.

Access to the Spar Shed lockers will be by a strict one-way system. Entry will be by the old North door and exit via the new locker room door or old South door. The brew making and washing facility can be used and the area must be sanitised after each use. The roller shutter door can be opened to access the ATV and for pedestrian access to the brew making facility. Members must always maintain the 2m social distancing rule and up to 6 people can meet indoors.

Tank House

The Tank House workshop may be used.

When using this workshop and equipment members must take all reasonable steps to leave the area in a clean and sanitised state for the next user to avoid any possible contamination.

Clubhouse

The Clubhouse is open for food and drink with everyone observing the social distancing rules and following the, separate, Covid guidelines for using the bar.

The toilet and changing facilities are open, but members must follow the instructions on the toilet entrance and ensure a maximum of 6 people or two households in these areas.

Hand sanitising stations are provided throughout the site for members and contractors use. These sanitising stations are outside the clubhouse entrance, both toilets and North and South end Spar Shed doors.

The Kubota Sub Compact Tractor and ATV may be used and drivers should ensure they are fully sanitised after each use and see item 3 below in the Code of Practise for Use of Slipways. Use of the John Deer tractor is permitted by authorised drivers.

For further information please contact Steve Almond, Paul Bibby or Ian Postlethwaite

This Code of Practice forms the practices to be adopted by any member launching boats and using the slipways on club premises and land.

Codes of Practice for launching and recovery from Slipways.

1. Members launching small boats and tenders are **not encouraged** to use their own vehicles for launching and recovery unless they have done so previously and are experienced.
2. Social distancing should be observed at all times when using the slipways, please use common sense. If there are a lot of boats on the slipway please wait until it is quieter.
3. Only authorised members that are suitably trained can use the Kubota sub compact tractor and ATV. Operators must use sanitising gels and sprays held onboard.
4. For members sailing dinghies, kayaks, windsurfers etc. please note that the changing and showering facilities are now open but please follow the social distancing rules.
5. Outboard test tank is approved for use but must be cleaned down after every use, please note that the water has been dosed with bleach to keep contamination to a minimum, if anyone has any worried about using bleach in the water to flush engines they should not use it. The use of the washdown area and hoses requires that anyone using the hoses should wear gloves and the equipment hosed clean ready for the next user.

Roa Island Boating Club Ltd Additional procedures for dinghy racing during Covid 19 Epidemic.

This procedure to be reviewed as appropriately

Social Distancing should be practiced at all times.

All sailors taking part must be competent and appropriately experienced in the sailing area.

The decision to race will be made by the dinghy committee on the morning of the race

All races to be short courses, No long distance racing

Additional Safety Boat Procedures

Safety boat kit to include surgical masks and gloves for use if contact required for casualty recovery.

Paul Bibby 13 07 2021