

# Himley Hall Sailing Club Covid-19 Guidance Notes

for members, their families and all visitors to HHSC

## Introduction

These notes have been prepared as a guideline for members of Himley Hall Sailing Club with the intention of reducing the risk of Covid-19 transmission at Himley Hall Sailing Club and preventing injuries to those sailing and/or launching & retrieving boats.

These notes are not intended as a substitute for common sense and will be reviewed and changed if Government or Dudley MBC rules are amended or RYA guideline change. Government and Dudley MBC rules take precedence over these notes in the case of differences.

**Himley Hall Sailing Club will take no responsibility for any illness or injury arising from visiting the club. If in doubt, don't do it.**

## General

***Do not visit the club if you are exhibiting symptoms of Covid-19 or you have been exposed to Covid-19 in the preceding 14 days.***

***Maintain social distancing at all times***

***Inform the Commodore (and, if possible, those who you met at the club) if you visit the club and develop symptoms of Covid-19 within 14 days of that visit.***

## Transmission of Covid-19

As it is impossible to ensure that the property and equipment of the club is sterile and free of the Covid-19 virus, the following will apply:

- + Racing, social events and training have been cancelled until government guidance changes
- + Only park in the official car park, park at least 2m from other cars and do not touch vehicles that do not belong to members of your own household
- + All club buildings are not to be used and will remain locked (Come to the club wearing your sailing gear and be prepared to go home wet)
- + Club boats are not to be used
- + The safety boats are not to be used
- + Club kit such as buoyancy aids, splash tops, safety helmets etc are not to be used
- + Please keep dogs under control at all times
- + Do not encourage members of the public into the dinghy park
- + Multiple occupancy boats only to be used by members of the same household
- + Sailors must not swap single handed boats
- + Take care when working on your own boat and maintain social distancing

## Sailing

Due to the risk of transmission of Covid-19 no safety boat is available and sailors;

- ✚ Sail at their own risk
- ✚ Must be a competent sailor able to cope with prevailing conditions without any form of assistance.
- ✚ Must sail within their capabilities.
- ✚ Sail when others are around, and never without a second person present
- ✚ Must be able to launch and retrieve their boat without assistance from anyone from outside their household
- ✚ All under 18's who are sailing to be accompanied by an adult from the same household at all times.
- ✚ Be prepared to travel home wet following a capsize as there is no access to changing facilities and showers
- ✚ Have access to personal first aid equipment
- ✚ Have access to a mobile phone in case of emergencies

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