

PRINCESS ROYAL SAILING CLUB

Guidelines for Club Boat Usage

Please follow these guidelines to ensure that our Club boats remain serviceable for as long as possible for everyone's enjoyment.

Conditions of Usage:

Princess Royal Sailing Club owns a number of yachts (keelboats), dinghys and powerboats which are available for Club organised training sessions and are also available for occasional use by Club members for either racing or informal sailing practice, training or coaching.

Requirements:

Any person using or in charge of a club boat must be a Full Ordinary Member, Life Member or Junior member.

All those wishing to use the Club's sailing boats must have acquired and be competent to the following levels:

For Dinghys: At least Australian Sailing Start Sailing 2 or Tackers 2 level or equivalent,

For Yachts (keelboats): At least Australian Sailing Start Skippering, and current RST. Ideally, skippers should have at least 2 years minimum sailing experience.

For Powerboats: At least Australian Sailing, Powerboat Handling (TL3 or equivalent), and a current RST. For safety boat applications members must also have Australian Sailing Safety Boat Operators certificate.

Bookings and Fees:

Usage of Club boats are determined on a rotational shared basis and allocated at the sole discretion of the Training Director. Preference is to be given to organized club training activities, and no private usage shall be granted in the likely event the club boats will be utilized for such club events.

All casual fees must be paid in advance unless prior approval is given to charge the member's account.

Responsibilities:

1. Before using a Club boat: it is the responsibility of the member, or the person making the booking, to ensure the person in charge (ie. Training Director or Club Manager) is advised of any problems or damage to the boat before going afloat. In the event Club personnel are not in attendance, please report the damage both in the Logbook, located in the Sail-ability Annex, and by leaving a message on the Training Director's or club's answering machine.
2. The member or person who made the booking is responsible for the boat and its equipment, together with the safety of the craft, helm and crew, with due consideration to the weather conditions, sailing area, experience of the helm/crew.
3. The nominated skipper is responsible for ensuring that the boat is operated within the current marine laws and abides by the required speed limits, maritime regulations and common courtesy to other boats.
4. Club boats may NOT be used during racing, training or informal sailing practice if the wind is consistently over 20 knots in the 15 minutes before the scheduled start of the session or race. In the event wind increases during the session to consistently 20 knots, every effort should be made for the sailor to return to shore as quickly, and safely, as possible.
5. Buoyancy aids for dinghies and PFD's / lifejackets, for keelboats/ powerboats, **MUST** to be worn at ALL times by ALL people onboard club boats.
6. The Club boat must be washed down and derigged with proper stowage of the boat and all equipment. The boat cover (if applicable) must be placed on with straps fastened (if applicable) and the Club Boat returned to its allocated storage area, pen or rack.

7. **All damage, loss or other issue with the boat and its equipment occurring during the booked period is the responsibility of the member or person making the booking.** However, general wear & tear will be taken into consideration. All such matters **MUST** be reported to the person in charge (i.e.: Training Director or Club Manager at the earliest opportunity). In addition, damage must be recorded in the Logbook, located in the Sailability annex, and a **Damage Report form** completed. The repair / replacement of any damage, loss or other issue will be undertaken by PRSC with the cost charged to the member account and or person who made the booking. If any damage or loss is found subsequent to the usage and not reported, the member or person who made the booking may still be deemed to be responsible. The Club will be the sole arbiter as to whether to claim on the Club insurance policy. In the event damage is extensive and a claim through the Club insurance is necessary, the skipper deemed to be at fault will be required to pay the insurance excess. The Insurance excess varies depending upon which club boat is used.
8. In the event the Club boat makes contact with another boat, an Incident Report must be lodged. This is regardless of whether there is damage to the Club boat. Forms are available on the Club's website and from the Club Manager's office.
9. All Club Boats have safety equipment required to comply with local regulations, Australian Sailing's Discover Sailing Centre requirements for Yachts and Powerboats, and Sailing Australia's Special Regulations Category 6.
10. The Club Powerboat and yacht usage fee includes a reasonable amount of fuel.
11. Any sighted or reported reckless endangerment to the vessel or crew, or any misuse whatsoever, including poor boat handling, the non reporting of damage, not wearing buoyancy aids, or returning the vessel in a dirty or un-fuelled condition, will result in forfeiture of future privileges and may lead to forfeiture of membership of the Club. Such determination is at the sole discretion of the Training Director. An appeal of such determination may only be made in person to the full Board of Management.
12. Club boats are restricted to Princess Royal Harbor and operation in daylight hours only, unless prior permission is sought and detailed on the Usage Form. At all times a VHF marine radio is to be carried and switched on. Additionally, for any rescue required, the member or person making the booking undertakes to reimburse the costs associated with any such rescue.
13. PRSC reserves the right to cancel bookings if the weather and conditions are deemed to be unsafe or unsuitable.

Casual Use Fee (designed to be affordable but to also encourage private ownership):

These fees are guidelines and are at the discretion of the Training Director.

Off-the-Beach fleet

GP 14	\$ ___ 20 ___ per hour	\$ ___ 100 ___ per day (5 hr = regatta use)
Optimist	\$ ___ 10 ___ per hour	\$ ___ 50 ___ per day (5 hr = regatta use)
Mirror	\$ ___ 20 ___ per hour	\$ ___ 100 ___ per day (5 hr = regatta use)
Laser	\$ ___ 20 ___ per hour	\$ ___ 100 ___ per day (5 hr = regatta use)
Skiff (cherub / flying ant)	\$ ___ 20 ___ per hour	\$ ___ 100 ___ per day (5 hr = regatta use)
303's	\$ ___ 15 ___ per hour	\$ ___ 75 ___ per day (5 hr = regatta use)

Coach/Rescue Boats

Responder (Start Boat)	\$ ___ 92 ___ per hour	\$ ___ 460 ___ per day (5 hr = regatta use)
Grey Rib	\$ ___ 40 ___ per hour	\$ ___ 200 ___ per day (5 hr = regatta use)
Yellow Plaka	\$ ___ 35 ___ per hour	\$ ___ 175 ___ per day (5 hr = regatta use)
Alloy Rib	\$ ___ 30 ___ per hour	\$ ___ 150 ___ per day (5 hr = regatta use)

Keelboats: \$ ___ 38 ___ per hour \$ ___ 190 ___ per day (5 hr = regatta use)

Gypsy Doctor

Defiance

Baci

PRINCESS ROYAL SAILING CLUB
Club Boat Usage Form

Name of Skipper and PRSC member:

Name of Crew (if applicable):

Contact Telephone / Email:

Class of Boat (Please circle):

Specific Vessel Allocated (office use)

Optimist, Mirror, Laser, Skiff, 303, 2.4, Mini 12,
Grey Rib, Yellow Plaka, Alloy Rib, _____
Gypsy Doctor, Baci, Defiance, _____
Other, Equipment

Period of Use: From: _____ To: _____

Additional Information: (eg number of people, purpose for usage, event) _____

Boat Usage Fee Payment Options (Please Circle):

Debit skipper/member Club Account **YES / NO**

Paid Cash **YES / NO**

Fee Applicable is _____ **(inc gst)**

USAGE DECLARATION

I hereby confirm understanding and I am abiding by the Princess Royal Sailing Club conditions for using a Club boat as seen on the reverse side of this form.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

(PRSC Member – If under 18yrs, parent/guardian also to sign)