



## Terms & Conditions of Boat Hire

Please read the following Conditions of Booking and Your Liability before using the boat.

By using a boat, you confirm Acceptance of the Conditions of Booking and Your Liability below.

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It is a condition of booking that you accept liability for the first £500 of any claim. This is the Insurance Excess.

The boat should only be used within the limits of Poole Harbour and not taken outside of the Harbour Entrance and is not to be beached.

The boat should not be used in wind strengths above Force 5 or 21 knots.

Stand-up-Paddleboards should not be used in wind strength above Force 4 or 15knots

The person booking should be over 18 years old and is the responsible person.

U18s may use the hired boat but must be supervised at all times by a responsible adult.

All persons taking part should be wearing appropriate clothing and a correctly fitting buoyancy aid. (Life Jackets are not permitted)

As the person booking you are responsible for checking the seaworthiness and safety of the boat prior to launching.

You are responsible for the safe navigation of the boat at all times and monitoring that the weather conditions are within the crews' ability, adjusting the sail plan to any changes that may occur.

You must be competent to handle the boat or supervise the boat safely and this competency must be supported by a Qualified Instructor or Coach over the age of 18 years who is currently a Poole Yacht Club Member.

You must report any damage on completion of your sail to the Poole Yacht Club Sailing Manager, using the QR Code available on the Oppy Shed.

If you find anything missing or in need of maintenance/repair, please report this immediately so that the boats are kept in great condition for all of us to use. Contact the Sailing Manager: [sailing@pooleyc.co.uk](mailto:sailing@pooleyc.co.uk)

On completion of your sail, you must ensure the boat is washed off and packed away neatly, returning it to the same position in the boat park.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU NEED TO PROVIDE YOUR OWN SAFETY COVER ARRANGEMENTS. POOLE YACHT CLUB MARINA STAFF WILL NOT PROVIDE SAFETY SUPPORT AND SHOULD NOT BE CALLED IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY. IF YOU FEEL YOU NEED SAFETY SUPPORT, PLEASE BOOK A RIGIFLEX AND ARRANGE SUITABLE HELM/CREW TO SUPERVISE YOUR SAIL.**