

Weston Sailing Club



Day Sailing Application and Dinghy Rental

Helm	Crew		
Name (Club boat 'Hirer', if applicable)			
Address			
Telephone	Email		
Age (if under 18)			
Boat Class	PY No.		
Boat No			
Club			
Fee Paid	Cheques should be made payable to "Weston Sailing Club"		
Day sailing - using own hoat Insurance and hiring club hoats De	plaration		

I agree to be bound by the current IYRU rules, the prescription of the RYA, the Sailing Instructions, the appropriate class rules and the Club Boat Hiring Policy and Guidelines. If using own boat I also declare that I hold a valid and current certificate of insurance, including Third Party Liability cover to a minimum of £1,000,000 which covers me whilst racing and that it will continue to do so whilst sailing at Weston Sailing Club.

Signed:	Date:

WSC Dinghy Hire fees			Day Sailing Fees		
	Member		Non-member	GUEST	
Pico/Topper	£5/session		£10/session		
Feva	£10/session		£20/session		£10 per Day/Person
Laser	£10/session		£20/session		No. People
Contender	£10/session		£20/session		=
RS Vision/Enterprise	£20/ session		£40/ session		

Weston Club Boat Hire - Policy and Guidelines

The sailing club owns a number of dinghies which are used for training but are also available to hire by club members for either racing or informal sailing.

1. Club Boat Hire Principles

Approved training will always take precedent for the hire of club boats. If training is taking place on the day the hirer wishes to hire a club boat, please speak to the club instructors to see which boats they are using, as some club boats may still be available for hire.

Club boats may only be hired during times when the club is open and the Race Officer, Assistant or a member of the committee is available. Advance booking is no longer possible (except for approved club training).

Club boats will **not** be available for hire if the prevailing, or forecast winds, are expected to exceed 20 knots. The Race Officer or committee member decision on the wind is final.

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The Boats The boats available include:

2 x RS Visions – 2 Person (Average Skill)	1 x Contender – 1 Person (advanced skill)	3 x Toppers - 1 Person (training/racing boat)
2 x Lasers – 1 Person (Average Skill)	4 x Picos - 1 Person (training boat)	
2x RS Feva's – 1 or 2 Person (Average Skill)	1 x Enterprise – 2 person (Average skills)	

The fees are used towards the maintenance of the boats and are not negotiable.

A session may last for the whole period of club racing on that day, or until the hirer has finished using the club boat and advises this to the Duty Officer or Race Officer. This may mean that a club boat can be hired again that day, subject to the 'Club Boat Hire Principles' above, and the following guidelines.

2. Arranging the hire of the club boat -

- All hire MUST be authorised by the Race Officer, or club committee member ('the Authoriser').
- The hirer MUST complete a hire form and pay the fees **before** use. All hire must be recorded by the Authoriser in the Race Officers Diary, which is kept in the Race Box.
- Club boats may only be hired by **adult** Weston sailing club Members or Guests holding the RYA Level 2 certification or above, and may be asked to produce their certificate. Other members who are undergoing training and wish to gain additional experience may be permitted to hire a club boat with agreement of the Race Officer, or club sailing instructors on the day of the hire.
- Junior members holding the RYA Level 2 or WSC Helms competency certification may also hire a club boat when <u>accompanied by an adult</u> and may be asked to produce their certificate. In respect of Junior Members, the parent/carer is responsible for the completion of the hire documents and must remain at the Club for the duration of the hiring session.
- Junior members must not go sailing unless there is a safety boat out on the water, or this has been agreed in advance with the Authoriser.
- Please note, there is no provision for hiring out club boats to non members, other than Guests of members, subject to the club rules on guests
- The Authoriser, when agreeing the hire, may restrict the usage of the boat, or the sailing area, as deemed appropriate for the prevailing conditions, experience of the helm and/or crew, etc. Usually the area will be away from any club racing, but within the view of the Race Box and safety boats (unless the hirer is planning on competing). Only when agreed in advance may club boats be taken out of this area or land at any location other than the club foreshore and slipways.
- Weston Sailing Club reserves the right to refuse the use of any club boat for hire.

3. Using the club boats -

- The Hirer will, before rigging make sure they collect the correct sails and equipment (e.g. rudder, etc) from the Safety Boat Shed or other locations as directed. The Race Officer and assistants are available to help the hirer rig the boat correctly. Please ask if you have any doubts as to the correct rigging or safe operation of the club boat. (Assistance will not take priority over club race starts or finishing)
- After the hirer's session, hose the boat with clean water and put everything away tidily where you found it. Do not leave easily
 removable equipment in the boat, with the exception of the booms in the Fevas and Visions. Boat covers must be put on and securely
 fastened unless you are requested not to do so by the Authoriser.
- If, in the opinion of the Authoriser, the hirer is deemed to be misusing the club boat, or sailing in a manner that is thought to endanger the club boat, its crew, or other craft, the hirer will be instructed to immediately return the boat to the club compound.
- All damage, loss, or other issue with the boat and its equipment occurring during the hire period WILL be deemed the responsibility of the hirer, if it was reasonably avoidable or results from misuse. All such matters MUST be reported to the Authoriser immediately with a written report. Clubs boats are insured, but the Hirer will be deemed liable to any excess suffered by the Club. However, failure to correctly report a potential insurance claim would make the hirer liable for the full cost of repairs.

In such circumstances,

- 1. Costs for the repair/replacement of any damage, or loss, will be paid for by the hirer up to the value of the excess.
- If any damage or loss is found subsequent to the hiring, the hirer WILL be deemed to be liable for any costs for repair/replacement.
- The hirer is responsible for the boat and its equipment, together with the safety of the craft and crew, with due consideration to the weather conditions, sailing area, experience of the crew. The number of crew sailing a club boat is limited to the recognised maximum crew numbers for the class of boat (i.e. Pico and Laser 2 crew, RS Feva 2 crew, etc).
- Buoyancy aids are to be worn at all times (in accordance with WSC rules).