



Booking & Using Club Boats

BOOKING & USE

These dinghies and kayaks belong to the Club and are for use my members only.

They are all stored in the Club Dinghy Park and are easily accessible.

Members book the dinghies and kayaks by completing a Booking Form, copies of which are available on the Clubhouse noticeboard. These must be completed and signed as a condition of the Clubs insurance for the boats.

In signing the Booking Form, the member indicates that they:

- Acknowledge personally that it is their responsibility to assess whether any event or activity on the water is too difficult for them and whether or not their personal safety and that of their crew could be endangered.
- They also acknowledge that the safety of the boat under their charge and its entire management is their responsibility and that it is their responsibility to check that the boat and its gear are complete and in good order before setting out.

To use one of the club dinghies or kayaks, Family or Junior Members under the age of 11 must be accompanied by an adult member.

Members without a dinghy of their own in the Club Dinghy Park may book a Club Dinghy up to 14 days in advance.

Members with their own dinghy in the Club Dinghy Park may book 2 days in advance.

RESERVING AND BOOKING A DINGHY OR KAYAK

Members wishing to use the Club dinghies or kayaks, should first reserve their use in the Club Boats Diary and must book the boat or kayak out in the Club Boats Folder before launching as this is a condition of the Club's insurance for the boats. The Club Boats Diary and Club Boats Folder are both located in the Clubhouse.

Members without a dinghy of their own in the Dinghy Park may reserve a boat in the Club Boats Diary up to fourteen days in advance. Members with their own dinghy in the Dinghy Park may only book up to two days in advance. Please note that on organised Club Training days, all the sailing dinghies are reserved for use by the Trainees.

Before launching the dinghy or kayak, the member must enter their details and sign the booking form in the Club Boats Folder. Signature of the form is taken by the Club to indicate the members agreement to the conditions of use as follows:

CONDITIONS OF USE

- You acknowledge that you are responsible for your own safety and that of your crew.
- You have assessed that your planned activity and the expected conditions (weather, wind, and tide) are within your sailing/kayaking capability.
- You are familiar with the rigging of the dinghy or kayak being used.
- You shall check that the boat and her gear are complete and in good order before setting out.
- Personal; buoyancy specified to a minimum of EN 50N shall be worn at all times whilst afloat.
- Juniors under the age of 11 shall be accompanied by an Adult Member.
- You shall clean and return the boat to its proper dinghy park space (See Club Boats Folder for location) after use, and check that no equipment is missing or damaged.
- You shall not attempt any repairs or replacements yourself but report any known problems or missing equipment to sailing@hcsc.org.uk

CHARGES AND PAYMENT

The charges to Members for use of Club dinghies or kayaks are as follows:

- Hartley, Scow, and Zest dinghies - £10 per day or part thereof.
- Optimist dinghies sailed by Junior Members - £ 5 per day or part thereof
- Kayaks - £ 5 per day or part thereof..

Payment may be by cash or by BACS transfer. Please indicate which method is to be used on the Booking Form in the Club Boats Folder.

Please pay for each use at a time. Do not accumulate multiple bookings.

Cash should be placed in an envelope. Please write your name, the type of boat, the date of use and the amount paid on the envelope and post it in the Club letterbox. The box is emptied daily so that there is no cash left at the clubhouse overnight.

If paying by BACS, the account name and number is given on the Booking Form in the Club Boats Folder. After making the transfer, please email the Club Treasurer (treasurer@hcsc.org.uk) with your name, the amount paid, the date of use, and the boat used.

REPORTING PROBLEMS WITH THE CLUB DINGHY OR KAYAK

Please record any problem experienced and whether any part of the boats/kayak's equipment is missing, faulty or damaged in the Club Boat Fault Book. This is located in the Clubhouse.

Please also alert Rear Commodore Sailing (sailing@hcsc.org.uk) of the problem.

PLEASE REMEMBER

- Help look after the Club dinghies and Kayaks. They are a Club resource maintained by Club members.
- Please take care of them and clean them after use. Leave them as you would like to find them!
- If you make a landing while you are using the dinghies, please furl, or lower the sails while you are on shore. If you pull the dinghies up a beach, please be aware that small stones can cause the centreboard to get stuck.
- With each of the dinghies, make a note of how the cover is fitted so that you can replace it correctly after use.

(Club Boats. Fleet description, booking arrangements, and charges.)