



# **LLANGORSE SAILING CLUB**

## **Rules affecting members**

(from November 2023)

**These Rules are made under Section 11 of The Club's Constitution**

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| Rules                           |                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| Members' Duties                 | 1a                   | All Adult Sailing Members are required to undertake duties such as: Safety Boat driver or crew, Officer of the Day, or Recorder, to enable racing to take place. The minimum number of duties expected and the method of organising such duties will be laid down by the committee – currently two duties.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|                                 | 1b                   | The committee may excuse a member of their duties if the member is unable to perform such duties through disability or other acceptable reason.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|                                 | 1c                   | Currently, the club uses “ <b>Dutyman</b> ” software to administer water-based duties and the minimum number of duties per annum is determined by the committee.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Personal Flotation Devices      | 2                    | All members must wear an appropriate Personal Flotation Device (PFD) when taking part in any club event on the water and are strongly recommended to wear a PFD whenever they are on the lake at other times. Children should wear a PFD when on or near the water e.g., on a jetty.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Responsibility for safety       | 3                    | Members are responsible for their own, their children and guests' safety, specifically for assessing conditions to sail safely on the lake, considering: their own skill level, the presence/absence of safety boat, other sailors and other events on the lake, current and forecast meteorological conditions, flooding and conditions for launch and recovery.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Flooding                        | 4                    | No club event will take place if the raised jetty is covered with water. Club members are strongly advised not to sail on the lake when it is flooded above the raised jetty.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Boats on site                   | 5                    | No craft may be brought onto the Club site, or sailed or operated from it, unless it is insured (min £3m third party) and marked in accordance with Rule 8.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Security of site and facilities | 6                    | Members leaving the site, including going onto the lake, must ensure that the buildings and main gate are locked or that there are other members present who have agreed to lock up.<br>When opening the main gate, the lock must be re-scrambled to prevent revealing the code to third parties.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Settlement of accounts          | 7                    | Members must settle any debts for refreshments or otherwise before leaving the Club premises. The electronic card payment system may be used for any club payment including membership fees. Members must record in the book provided the purpose of any such payment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Marking of craft                | 8(a)<br>8(b)<br>8(c) | To comply with the Company Rules, all craft must be marked with the member's number on the transom or equivalent (provided with membership materials). The number must be clearly visible while on the water.<br>All craft berthed on the site shall display their berth number on the transom of the craft in addition to their membership number (provided with membership materials)<br>Road trailers present a security and safety hazard and they take-up valuable space. All road trailers stored separately shall be marked with the owner's membership number. Any road trailer considered to be stored separately from its boat without prior arrangement with the Beachmaster may be impounded until a release fee is paid.<br>The Executive committee may impose a fee for agreed storage of a road trailer separately from its boat. |

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| Limitations on craft                                     | 9a  | Sailing craft must fall within the following criteria: Maximum length 7m (22'6"); Maximum width on site 2.4m (8'00"); Maximum weight 400kgs (880 lbs.). For clarity Windsurfers are sailing craft within this rule.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|                                                          | 9b  | No multi-hulled craft are allowed on site or the lake unless specifically agreed by the Executive Committee.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|                                                          | 9c  | Stand Up Paddleboards (SUP), windsurfers used as paddleboards and similar craft are not permitted to be launched from the LSC site.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|                                                          | 9d  | Note - SUPs may be launched (for a fee) from the public landing stage. Foiling "sailing craft" are permitted but members are advised that the weed growth commonly found on the lake will not normally make such craft viable.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                                          | 9e  | Members who pay to berth a sailing craft on site may also keep one canoe (or kayak) on site subject to their membership number being marked clearly on it above the waterline. Any member launching a canoe must accept the authority of Lakeside staff to request the member's name and membership number.                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                                                          | 9f  | Members are not permitted to operate their own powered craft from the LSC site                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Insurance                                                | 10  | All craft using the Club facilities and the Lake must have third-party insurance of not less than £3,000,000 or a greater amount if the committee so decides. Members must provide Club Officers with evidence of insurance if requested to do so.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Safe berthing                                            | 11a | All boats, when not in use, must be effectively secured or tied down in the berth allotted by the Membership Secretary or Beachmaster.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|                                                          | 11b | Road trailers if stored separately must be labelled with the membership number of the owner, left in the allocated space and any fee due paid as applicable.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| End of season removal of boats and out of season storage | 12  | Members' craft must be removed from the site by 31 <sup>st</sup> of December or at an earlier time notified to members by the committee, subject to prevailing site conditions, unless arrangements have been made before the 31st of October with the Beachmaster for their storage. Limited out-of-season storage may be made available at the discretion of the Beachmaster.                                                                                                           |
| Use and hire of Club Boats                               | 13  | Sailing Members and others sanctioned by the Committee can, by prior arrangement, use Club training boats and power boats, subject to the rules relating to their use as set out by the Committee and displayed in the Club House.<br>Sailing Members and others sanctioned by the Committee can, by prior arrangement, hire Club sailing boats subject to the rules of hire, as set out by the Committee.<br>Members may only use Club boats when adequate safety cover is on the water. |
| Swimming (not permitted)                                 | 14  | Swimming is not permitted by lake regulations except for specifically agreed organised events. If you craft capsizes then you (and the crew) must remain with the boat and attempt to right it or await rescue.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Control of dogs                                          | 15  | Dogs are only allowed on site under the following conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dogs must be always kept on a lead and under control of the owner.</li> <li>• No dogs are allowed in the Club House or changing rooms.</li> <li>• Owners must safely dispose of any excreta off site.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Vehicle parking                                          | 16  | Motorised vehicles may only be parked in the designated areas. Motorised vehicles must be parked in such a way as to not cause an obstruction to other vehicles or to the approaches to the Club premises.<br>Motorised vehicles must not be driven onto the boat storage area unless authorised by a member of the committee.                                                                                                                                                            |

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| Membership Arrears                 | 17             | The Committee will cancel, without notice being given, the membership of any member whose annual subscription and/or other annual fees have not been paid by March 31st. The Committee may, at its discretion, reinstate such member upon payment of any such fees that may be due. No member whose annual payments are in arrears may enter any Club event or regatta or vote at any meeting. Members, even though in arrears with their subscriptions, shall be liable to all the obligations and liabilities which fall on members in law.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| General Data Protection Reg'n 2018 | 18             | Membership of the Club and acceptance of these rules by the member will be deemed to constitute consent to the holding of relevant personal data by the Club for the purposes of club administration under the General Data Protection Regulation 2018, or any superseding legislation/regulations.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Contact details                    | 19             | Every member shall provide the Membership Secretary with an up-to-date email address, which shall be recorded in the membership database. Any notice sent to the provided email address shall be deemed to have been delivered unless returned as "undeliverable" by the email system.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Damage to Club Property            | 20             | A member shall not knowingly remove, injure, destroy, or damage any property of the Club, and shall make restitution for the same if called upon to do so by the Committee                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Complaints procedure               | 21             | Any complaint on any aspect of the running of the club, or the conduct of members, should in the first instance be raised verbally with a member of the Executive Committee. If resolution is not possible, and the matter deemed sufficiently serious, it should then be passed in writing to the Secretary, to be considered by the committee for appropriate action. During the complaints procedure all parties will be kept fully informed and consulted, and the matter will be kept confidential to the parties involved, unless and until it has been established beyond reasonable doubt that external authorities need to be informed. If the decision of the Commodore and the Executive Committee is not acceptable to either party, appeal may be made to the Trustees, whose decision shall be final.                     |
| Safety Boats                       | 22a<br><br>22b | Club power boats are not to be used other than for race management, safety cover, training, and maintenance. Consideration should be given to the protection of the environment and other lake users. High speeds are to be avoided unless there is a training need, an emergency or danger to life. Power boats may only be driven by members who hold a RYA Power Boat 2 qualification or who are under the supervision of a RYA Power Boat Instructor. Guests, qualified or not, may not drive club powerboats.<br><br>Children are not permitted in Safety Boats except: as part of a RYA training exercise approved by the SI, or because of a rescue. An additional exception is one child may accompany the OOD or Recorder in the Committee Boat, if agreed by the OOD, for the purpose of training in the start procedure etc. |
| Abandoned boats                    | 23             | If, at any time, any fees payable to the Club by any member or former member shall be three months or more in arrears and their vessel remains upon the Club premises, the Committee may:<br>(a) Move the vessel to any part of the Club premises without being liable for any loss or damage to the vessel howsoever caused.<br>(b) Give one month's notice in writing to the member or former member at his/her last known address or email address (see Rule 19), as shown in the Club database and thereafter sell the vessel and deduct any monies due to the Club (whether by way of arrears of subscription or annual payments, mooring, dinghy park, storage fees or otherwise) from the net proceeds of sale before accounting for the balance (if any) to the member or former member.                                        |

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|                               |     | <p>(c) Alternatively, if the vessel is unsaleable, after giving notice in writing as in (b), dispose of the vessel in any manner the Committee may think fit and deem the cost of so doing and any such arrears to be a debt owing to the Club by the member or former member.</p> <p>(d) Further, the Club shall always, have a lien (the right to make a charge) over members' or former members' boats parked, stored, or moored on the Club's premises or Club moorings in respect of all monies due to the Club, whether in respect of arrears of mooring fees or subscriptions or otherwise.</p> <p><b>Provided that:</b><br/>Proper evidence is available to show that all reasonable steps have been taken to trace a member or former member and that when and if the vessel is sold the proceeds of sale (unless any indebtedness by the member or former member to the Club) shall be placed upon bank deposit account and retained against the eventuality of a claim by the owner (whether he be the said member or former member or otherwise) for a period of six years.</p> |
| Opening of Club premises      | 24  | The Club premises shall be open to our members except when the Committee direct otherwise. The site is closed to all club members every January.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Restrictions on the Club Site | 25  | The following is not permitted on or from the Club site: - fishing, caravans, camping, or use of motor caravans overnight.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Members not Racing            | 26  | Members <u>not racing</u> shall keep clear of members that are <u>racing</u> ( <i>racing as defined in World Sailing (UK) Rules</i> ).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Racing - General              | 27a | <p>Racing shall be governed by the Sailing Sub-Committee.</p> <p>The Sailing Secretary shall be responsible for organising and managing such racing as prescribed by the Executive and/or the Sailing Sub-Committees. The Sub-Committee will administer the rules of the RYA, IRPCS, World Sailing (UK) and the Class Associations involved. It shall have the powers to impose any additional rules as are in the Club Sailing Instructions and to adjust handicaps. Members racing must abide by the Notices of Race displayed on the notice board.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Racing - Trophies             | 27b | All Perpetual Trophies shall remain the property of the Club. Those holding such Trophies are responsible for their safe keeping. They must be returned to the Sailing Secretary when requested.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Racing - Visiting Competitors | 27c | Any person who competes in any open race/competition sponsored by or on behalf of the Club is entitled to the use of the Club premises within a period of 24 hours before and after the race/competition in which they are competing. They will have the same privileges and responsibilities as Temporary Members.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

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