

# Fidlers Ferry Sailing Club

## Code of Conduct for Users of Powered Craft

The primary object of the club is to promote the sport of sailing. Users of Powered Craft must recognise this priority, show consideration for others and comply with this code.



### Safety

- Always wear a Kill Cord when your engine is running and you are not moored.
- Always wear Personal Buoyancy – either a buoyancy aid or lifejacket – when on the slipway or out on the water.
- It is strongly recommended you undertake training to RYA Powerboat Level 2 or equivalent.

### Speed

- Keep your speed down when going past the slipway, especially when there are people on the slip and when passing other craft on the water.
- Be aware of your wash and the effect it can have on others.

### Noise

- Keep Noise to a minimum in the locality of the club.
- Be aware of our neighbours at the Ferry Inn and the residences immediately downstream.
- Persistent noise will have a negative effect on the reputation of the club.

### Launching

- You must be trained before operating the Winch. The weight limit on the slip is 1 tonne.
- Safety Cover is provided by the club for organised events. Launching at all other times is at your own risk.
- If there is an organised event when you are going out please speak to the person in charge.
- Please avoid launching during youth sailing sessions and on sailing race days. There are sailing training sessions at the club Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, and on some Saturdays. Club race days are on Sundays throughout the year. On race days, the racing course will be published in the Starting Hut, please keep clear of this area.

### Navigation

- Fidler's Ferry Reach (the part of the river visible from the club) is the area used for youth sailing sessions. If you are out on the river at the times mentioned please keep clear of this area.
- The river has many navigational hazards e.g. strong tides and currents, shifting sand banks, wrecks, submerged rocks. Advice from club members should be heeded and proceed with caution.

### Notes:

- Powered Craft includes but is not exclusive to; Powerboats, RIBs, Jet Skis, wet bikes, hovercraft, sailing boats with outboards or powered canoes.
- Failure to comply with this code will result in disciplinary action and may lead to expulsion from the club.