

Whilst the clubhouse generally remains closed to the membership, there is a rota for a Safety Boat Driver of the day to safety cover for sailors at the club in line with RYA Guiding Principles. These are:

1. We will always follow Government advice
  - The COVID-19 preventative measures are vital to protecting health and wellbeing and to minimising pressure on frontline services. We all have a role to play by following the Government guidelines.
2. We will, as a boating community, take a **considerate** and **conservative** approach
  - **Considerate:** be mindful of the potential impact that you could have on other water users and do not place unnecessary extra strain on emergency services.
  - **Conservative:** help to minimise risk by taking an extra conservative approach to your boating.

The duties for the Safety Boat Driver are as follows:

1. To obtain the safety boat and fuel store keys from the filing cabinet.
2. To review the safety boat log book regarding the previous days use to see if there are any issues which need to be addressed.
3. To consult the fuel and oil levels for both boats recorded on the whiteboard above the fuel store and top up the respective tanks if required.
4. To sanitise all surfaces of the safety boat before it is used.
5. To be vigilant of sailors on the water at all times and to use the safety boat to check on sailors who have been out of sight for an extended period. The driver has to be ready to provide assistance if required, whilst maintaining social distancing whenever possible.
6. If a sailor has to be brought on board the safety boat the driver should wear a face mask and provide a face mask to the sailor and maintain social distancing within the boat wherever possible. However, the safety boat driver's first and foremost objective has to be preservation of life.
7. It required the Safety Boat Driver should call upon assistance from the Duty Officer or another sailor if circumstances demand this taking the precaution of wearing a mask and maintaining social distancing as far as is possible.
8. To sanitise all surfaces of the safety boat after use along with keys, fuel tank and anything else returning to the club house.
9. To sanitise all touch points after securing fuel tanks, and keys etc.
10. To complete a safety boat log for the day, and update the fuel and oil levels on the whiteboard above the fuel store.