



EXE SAILING CLUB

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Experience:

It is expected that those who hire a boat will have:

- Sufficient Experience, for the boat, conditions, crew and know how to reef the boat.
- Good Level of Competence and knowledge.
- Good level of knowledge of local hazards and conditions.

In respect of the dinghies, we would generally expect the skipper to have an RYA Level 2 or greater or RYA youth stage 4 certificates.

If you are experienced but don't have an RYA certificate, please speak to the Club Professional who will do an assessment and sign you off to use the boats.

Please note that Exe Sailing Club can accept no responsibility for the conduct and safety of the vessel and crew during the period of Hire. It remains the responsibility of the Skipper (Hirer) to decide whether or not to put to sea and to satisfy themselves that they and their crew are sufficiently competent to cope with prevailing conditions.

First Time use:

Please arrange with the Club Professional for an acquaintance with the craft.

“NO EXCUSE” - HAWK:

Use of the Hawk must only be after having a full acquaint which can be arranged with the Club Professional.

You must be familiar with the use of Keel Boats.

SAFETY NOTES:

We want as many members as possible to enjoy the use of the club fleet but we must outline some basic safety requirements.

Buoyancy aids must be worn at all times.

Full wetsuits and Dry suits are strongly recommended between Oct and May.

If you are planning to sail unaccompanied, let someone know your passage plan and likely time of return. You should take a marine radio or waterproof phone.

Junior sailors (Under 18) must not sail unaccompanied. Use of a 'Buddy' system, another person of similar experience in same or another boat.

Hire by Junior sailors must be approved by Club Professional/Centre Principal.

Always check the forecast before going out. Remember Exe is highly tidal. Check tides before sailing and plan passage appropriately.

Finally, remember the decision to sail is yours, consider the conditions, your competence, confidence and your crew. If in doubt, be cautious and stay ashore or hire an instructor.

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