



OPERATING PROCEDURE No. 10

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HAWK 20 (Equaliser) PREPARATION

PURPOSE

This procedure provides guidance on rigging and securing Equaliser, our Hawk 20. It should be read by all Keel Boat skippers and crews.

PROCEDURE

Collect radio and Safety box from Blue Container.

Collect Engine Battery and remote controller from Clubhouse if not already at Blue Container

Proceed to centre pontoon

Take engine from locker and fit in position. Locker key in Safety box, spare key is in top drawer of filing cabinet-

Fit engine, leave in vertical position.

Connect battery using in situ cable. careful adjustment is needed so the connections are made correctly. If an error code appears on the remote controller, check the type of code using laminated sheet (of error codes) in engine locker.

Check engine and controller are synchronised

When engine not in use, including when sailing, secure the remote controller against the velcro strip on the vertical bulkhead at the rear of the cockpit.

When operating under engine, position remote controller forward of the skipper/helmsman. Take care that other crew members do not knock it especially when hoisting and lowering sails

Lower rudder carefully – it is heavy.

Lower keel carefully and secure line which holds it down.

Remove boom cover. Stow in side locker.

Tighten lazy jacks enough that they are not dangling and are supporting mainsail from flopping into boat.

After motoring to shore pontoon to collect passengers, motor into sailing area and prepare boat for sailing.

Ensure that mast head buoyancy unit is at masthead.

Attach halyards to main and check sheet free to run.

Hoist Main. Reef if appropriate for conditions. Watch out for it catching on the lazy jacks as it rises. Keep boat head into wind.

Take tension off topping lift.

Unfurl jib by releasing furling line and pulling on jib sheet. Note that jib is not designed for roller reefing. It should be used fully unfurled only

Engine can not be raised when sailing.

End of Sailing

Furl jib

Start Engine

When lowering mainsail in preparation for motoring, lazy jacks will capture it and prevent it flopping into boat.

Securing Boat

Ensure moored with springs and bow and stern lines

Main lowered and flaked out with boom cover on

Jib furled tightly and secured with furling line and sheets

Battery and Remote Controller removed and returned ashore to club house and left on charge. Controller positioned for solar charging

Engine removed and locked in starboard locker, return locker key to safety box, return safety box to shore.

Rudder raised

Tiller secured to avoid rudder moving

Raise keel and secure line to prevent inadvertent lowering whilst moored