



OPERATING PROCEDURE No.30

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Hawk 20 Skipper Responsibilities, Competences and Guidance.

PURPOSE

This Procedure defines the responsibilities of the Skipper of Equaliser (Hawk 20) and provides some guidance on sailing a Hawk 20 during a Session. It must be read by all Volunteers nominated as Keel Boat Skippers

Responsibilities

The Skipper is responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew and passengers, and their vessel.

They are responsible for checking their boat is properly prepared before leaving the pontoon (see Op Proc 10). This role may have been undertaken by the pontoon party but skippers should also do a final check before setting off.

They should abide by the ColRegs, especially the need to keep a good look out (particularly for other river traffic including the leisure trip ferries) .

They are responsible for ensuring radio traffic is kept to a minimum and conforms to good radio etiquette.

They are responsible for securing the boat at the end of the session.

Competencies

All Equaliser skippers must be approved by the Chief Sailing Instructor with advice from the Senior Management Team.

The minimum standard for a skipper is:

- RYA keelboat or dinghy instructor plus direct experience of sailing Kanata.
- As required to achieve RYA Sailing Level 2 plus experience of sailing in tidal waters with inexperienced crew and direct experience of sailing Kanata.

GUIDANCE

All skippers to report to OOD in Safety boat whenever on the water. Report to include total number of people on board, destination/sailing area and ETA to return to base.

Skipper to be able to take control of tiller at any time.

Skipper controls mainsheet unless happy about competency of sailor on helm or another crew member.

Skipper controls engine operation.

Crew to be seated forward assisting with jib if necessary.

Keel to remain in down position until sailors have disembarked.

ANNEX ?

Details for reference including diagrams