

**DART SAILABILITY**

**COVID 19 Risk Assessment**

This risk assessment covers risks associated with Dart Sailability Activities while the threat of COVID 19 prevails and associated changes to standard risk assessment and risk mitigations associated with any measures to mitigate COVID 19 risks.

Risk Mitigation Procedures to be published as addendum to HoPs.

All participants to sign to confirm understanding of HoPs and Addendum and acceptance of residual COVID 19 risk to them. Nobody to be required or encouraged to undertake any activity

**Fundamental Principle – All operations will be undertaken within Government Restrictions and Guidance and in accordance with RYA guidance and best practice recognising the particular circumstances of Dart Sailability operations. It is recognised that this does not provide any guarantee of safety from COVID 19.**

Activity	Risk	Mitigation	Consequential Impact	Mitigation	Action
All	Passing infection to others	Nobody to participate if showing any indication of symptoms or having been in contact with anybody showing or has shown symptoms in last 7 days Comply with Social Distancing Guidance Wear face Coverings in accordance with Guidance	Constraints on availability of participants limits safety cover	All activity to be subject to pre-booking to ensure availability of adequate safety cover.	
Accessing Equipment etc in Hut	Close Contact with others	One person at a time in hut	None		Notice on Door
Accessing Equipment etc in Hut	Picking up infection from surfaces	Use of Sanitiser before entering and on leaving Hut	None		Notice on Door Provide Sanitiser by door

**Commented [TT2]:** With whom is this to be booked?How will this be promulgated?

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Accessing Equipment etc in Container	Close Contact with others	One person at a time in Container	Inability to handle heavy items	Compliance with lifting and handling guidance Handling by persons from same household	Notice on Door
Accessing Equipment etc in Container	Picking up infection from surfaces	Use of Sanitiser before entering and on leaving Hut	None		Notice on Door Provide Sanitiser by door
Transport of Equipment	Picking up infection from surfaces	Individual who will use equipment to collect and transport eg skipper to collect Safety Box	Constraints on others use of equipment	Gloves to be worn when handling equipment that may have been handled by others Wipe down equipment with diluted bleach or other sanitiser if being left for others to use.	Warning in procedures to be acknowledged by all participants Provide supply of gloves and request participants to provide own gloves
Use of Buoyancy Aids and Life Jackets	Picking up infection from buoyancy	Users to sign out and keep item for future use Items not needed again to be quarantined for 3 days	Lack of buoyancy for large numbers	Returned buoyancy to be quarantined for 3 days	Procedure Signing out sheet in hut Quarantine boxes in container clearly marked for day of use

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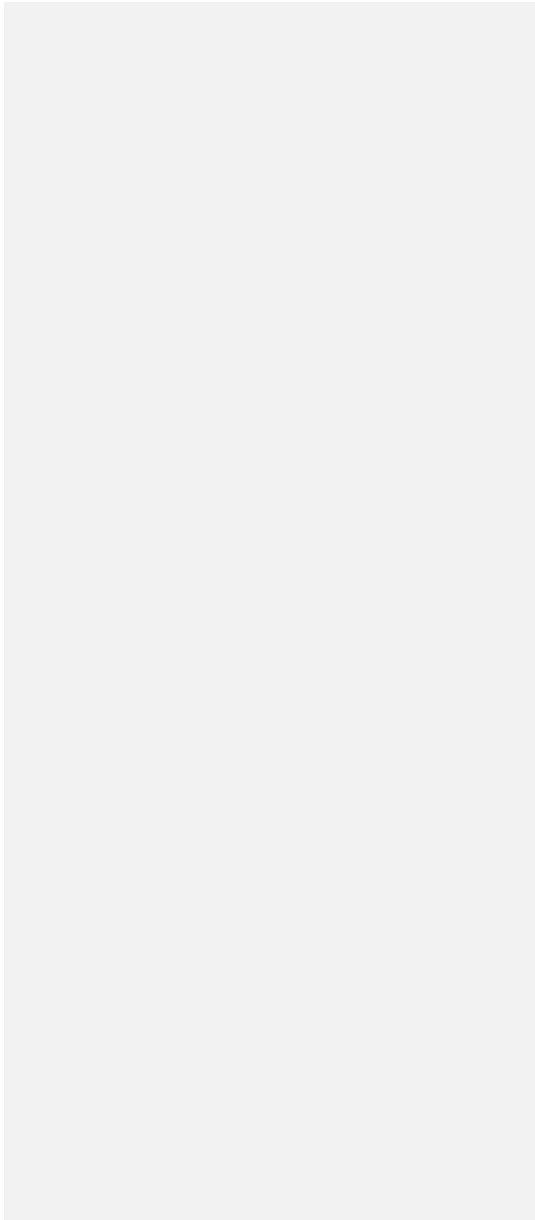
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Preparing Support Boats	Picking up infection from surfaces	Only single boat crew or household to prepare boat Wear gloves if boat may have been handled by others in last 3 days	Constraints on others use of equipment	Gloves to be worn when handling equipment that may have been handled by others Wipe down equipment with diluted bleach or other sanitiser if being left for others to use.	Warning in procedures to be acknowledged by all participants Provide supply of gloves and request participants to provide own gloves Provide Disinfectant and sanitiser
Preparing Support Boats	Close Contact with others	Only single boat crew or household to prepare boat 2 person crew with face masks maintaining 1m spacing	Lifting Safety Boxes into boat Getting in and out of boat	Selected boat crews to be suitably fit and agile Follow best practice for lifting and handling Crew only to pass boxes	Fitness and agility of crew to be part of consideration when allocating crew
Preparing Hansa	Picking up infection from surfaces	Only single boat crew or household to prepare boat Wear gloves if boat may have been handled by others in last 3 days (includes disabled sailor using boat after rigging)	Constraints on others use of equipment in particular disabled sailors unable to rig boat	Gloves to be worn when rigging boat Boat to be wiped down with diluted bleach or other sanitiser before use by disabled sailor	Warning in procedures to be acknowledged by all participants Provide diluted bleach and cloth Provide supply of gloves and request participants to provide own gloves

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Lifting Hansa Keel	Close contact with others	Hoist operator suitably distanced from person in boat Possible wearing of face coverings			
Lifting Hansa Keel	Picking up infection from surfaces, including lifting strop	Gloves to be worn by hoist operator and person in boat Hoist to be wiped down with diluted bleach after use Strop to only be handled with gloves and kept separate from other equipment	Risk of gloves getting caught in winding equipment.	Use nitrile gloves	Instructions Provide diluted bleach and clothes Provide Nitrile gloves
Hoisting Sailors	Close contact with others	In the absence of guidance permitting closer contact than 1m only members of same household to provide assistance and hoist operation	Inexperienced hoist operators	Direction and supervision at 2m distancing from qualified volunteer	Advise Sailors needing hoisting Ensure qualified volunteer available
Preparing Hawk and Drascombe	Picking up infection from surfaces	Gloves to be worn Surfaces to be wiped down with diluted bleach or similar sanitiser before others board boat			

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**Commented [TT5]:** Contamination of lifting strops if hoist is used. I can't yet work out the mitigation column for this  
Gloves when winding a hoist have a risk of being caught

Activity	Risk	Mitigation	Consequential Impact	Mitigation	Action
Preparing and sailing Hawk and Drascombe	Close contact with others	Only same household on board Opportunity for others on board maintaining distance in accordance with 1m+ guidance with precautions, face masks, facing forward not across boat at others, fresh air	Limits on crew movement within boat	Allocate tasks and position in boat Experienced skipper Limit sailing to Force 3 or less for easy sailing	Procedures Activity booking Allocation of crew by Principal or Chief Sailing Instructor
Managing engine on Drascombe without remote controls	Close contact with others	Same household helming and operating engine Towing to avoid need to use engine			

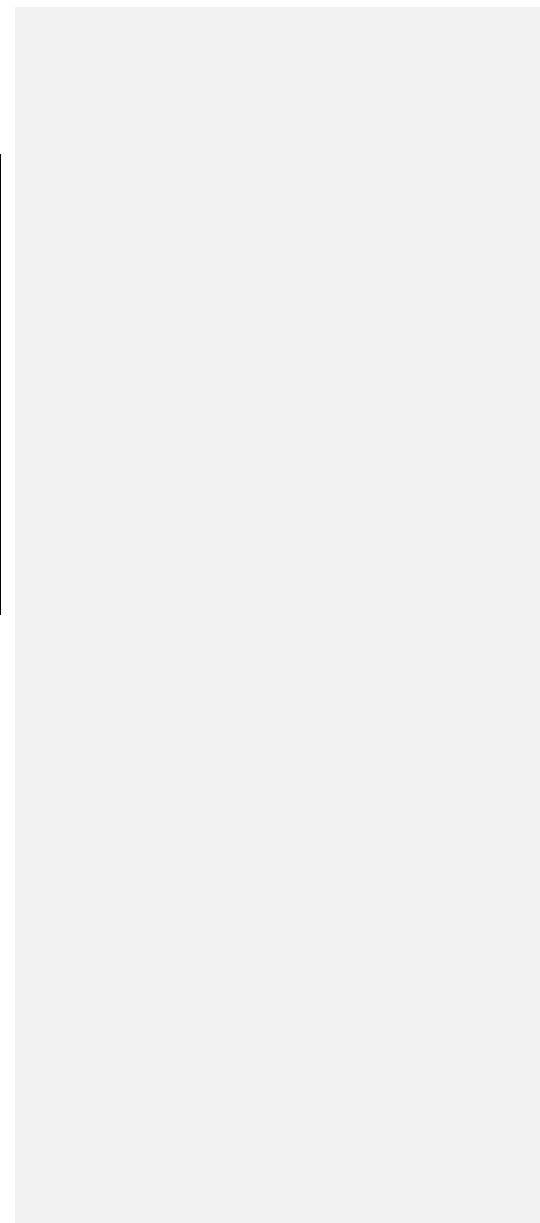


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Operating Support Boat	Close contact with others	Single Manning or Same Household Potential for double crew in accordance with 1m+ guidance with precautions, face masks, crew seated on sponson aft	Single manning makes towing and support to other boats more difficult Limits on crew movement within boat	Allocate only experienced single skippers Limit operations to benign conditions less than Force 3 Wind and around HW neaps for low stream and plenty of room in marina Experienced skippers in other boats to limit potential need for support Planning of all operations to achieve distancing Careful manoeuvring due to crew position.	Procedures Allocation of skipper by Principal or Chief Instructor Develop procedures and guidance
Boarding Boats	Close Contact if assistance required	Not possible under distancing guidance unless same household can provide assistance and has undertaken lifting and handling training. Could become practicable if face coverings/PPE is acceptable within guidance/restrictions	Limitation on who can board boats	Provide gangway rail for ARC Gangway Find slipway for bow ramp boarding of ARC	Clear explanation of constraints to membership Provide PPE or require users to bring own

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Sailing Hansa	Close Contact with others	Single Handed Sailing Only	Limitation on who can sail due to competence	Accept Limitations Servo assisted Hansa provides accessibility for some who otherwise could not sail single handed	Procedures Chief Sailing Instructor identify competent single-handed sailors Provide alongside practice in Servo Assisted Hansa
ARC and NAB trips	Close Contact with others	Limit numbers to be manageable with distancing. Face Coverings to be worn. Avoid facing each other.	Limitation on movement in boat. Need for controlled boarding	Helm aft, crew positioned forward to allow handling of mooring lines. Marked positions for passengers	Mark out spacing on boat
ARC and NAB trips	Touching Surfaces touched by others	All to wear gloves Use Hand Sanitiser before boarding and when leaving			Provide Hand Sanitiser
Towing	Close contact with other boat crew	Tow Astern Tow boat to pass long tow line round mast and retain on board support boat	Need care with speed and steering of towing and towed boat and good communication to ensure no veering and tripping over keel	Experienced Support Boat Skipper Experienced other boat skipper	Sailing skippers and Support Boat Skippers to be selected by Principal or Chief Instructors Suitable tow lines Procedures Practice towing

**Commented [TT6]:** The NAB is impractical and is to be discounted

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Safety/Support Boat Assistance to other craft	Close Contact with other boat Crew	Minimise risk of requiring assistance Experienced sailors and Support Boat skippers only Limit sailing conditions F3, around high water, not amongst moorings Face coverings and visors or other eye protection for Support Boat Crew. Sailor to face away from Support Boat if possible.	Limitation on ability to provide close assistance	Provide PPE, Visors, Mask, Gloves in Safety/Support Boat emergency packs for use if needed for close contact	Sailing skippers and Support Boat Skippers to be selected by Principal or Chief Instructors Ensure clarity of procedure for passing and connecting tow line. Safety/Support Crew to be aware of potential risk if they need to provide close assistance.





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Recovery of person from the water	Inadequate safety crew to recover person unable to help themselves eg single manned support boat,	Minimise risk of person requiring recovery Experienced sailors and Support Boat skippers only Limit sailing conditions F3, around high water, not amongst moorings Limit sailing to ambulant sailors Discuss recovery arrangements with sailors before sailing Provide Safety with 2 person crew with PPE and Support Boat with PPE for standard recovery procedure Develop procedures and train volunteers in use of recovery cradle on RIB.			
Refuelling	Contamination of or by the fuel barge personnel	Adhere to instructions from fuel barge personnel Wear face coverings Wear gloves			

