



OPERATING PROCEDURE No. 37

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REFUELLING

PURPOSE

This procedure defines the safety pre-cautions to be taken when re-fuelling any Dart Sailability vessel

PROCEDURE

All Dart Sailability vessels use portable fuel tanks. Re-fuelling will therefore be undertaken by replacing the empty, or nearly empty, tank with a full tank from the Fuel Store situated in the Hansa storage area. The fuel store is kept locked. The key is kept in the Blue Container.

Where a boat has two fuel tanks (in use and spare), tanks should only be replaced when they are completely empty. For other boats, including ARC, the skipper shall check fuel levels at the end of a session and replace tanks when they have insufficient fuel in them for the next scheduled session.

Empty fuel tanks will generally be taken down river to the Fuel Barge, where DSG has an account, or to the Fuelling point at Noss Marina. Fuel can be signed for on the DSG account on the Fuel Barge. Noss Marina requires a credit card. Re-fuelling trips shall be taken ARC, Safety or NAB with a crew only. No Passengers. During filling of tanks engines shall be switched off and the fire extinguisher shall be held ready. Any spillages shall be wiped up immediately.

Safety has only one fuel tank which should be replaced by a full tank when there is insufficient fuel left for the next session). Safety carries a can of spare fuel for use in emergencies. If the fuel tank needs to be topped up from the can the following procedures shall be followed.

- Engine shall be stopped and turned off
- Fire extinguisher shall be removed from Safety Box and held ready by crew
- Other personnel should be away from the boat
- Fuel shall be poured from can to tank carefully, using the funnel provided
- Any spillages shall be wiped up immediately.

