



## Summary of Draycote Water Sailing Club Rules 2020

*Draycote Water Sailing Club (DWSC) is a members club, and has rules which both club members and affiliated groups (such as Warwickshire Scouts) must follow. As with all clubs, there are some members who welcome visitors / young people / affiliated groups, and some who would rather we weren't there. We need to keep the latter on side.*

*The agreement with the club for 2020 is*

- *Sailing is restricted to Saturdays. May to September*
- *Normally, a maximum of nine young people to sail at any one time.*

*We only have spaces in boats for nine young people at a time anyway, and we all know what Scouts do when they have nothing to keep them occupied..... If you do want to bring more than nine young people over, I suggest that we either arrange to split the sessions down into shorter slots, and stagger the arrival times (1-1/2 hours on the water is very much a taster session – 3 hour half day gives us time to cover most of the basics). Alternatively, there's a 5 mile footpath around the reservoir, and a 25 acre country park behind the sailing club, but your leaders will have to supervise activities here – I'll be on the water!*

*The following are the key DWSC rules which I think affect us:*

1.2. Rudeness, aggressive or offense remarks or behaviour to members of staff or the Committee, to other members, visitors to the Club, representatives of Severn Trent or their tenants, other water users and members of the public are considered unworthy of a member (*goes without saying that the same applies to scouts!*)

3.1. No function may be arranged to take place in the Clubhouse or on the Club's premises without the consent of the Committee.

3.2. No advertising shall be placed or displayed in the Clubhouse or Club's premises without the permission of the Committee.

3.3. No member or visitor shall remove from the Club premises or shall damage or deface any article or property belonging to the Club or for which the Club is responsible. In the event of a breach of this regulation the member concerned, or responsible under The Rules for the visitor concerned, shall bear the cost of repair or replacement of such article or property as the Committee shall determine.

3.4. Wet or soiled clothing or footwear may not be worn in the Clubhouse lounge.

3.5. Personal audio equipment shall not be played in the Clubhouse or the Club's premises if it can be heard by others.

3.6. Clothing left in the Clubhouse or on the Club premises will be collected every Sunday and may be disposed of after 2 weeks.

3.7. No dogs, or other animals or pets belonging to members or their guests shall be allowed in the Clubhouse or anywhere on the Club's premises.

3.8. No member may change into or out of their full sailing kit in the car parks or on the Club's premises except in the Clubhouse's changing rooms.

4.1. Children under the age of 14 shall at all times when on the Club's premises be under the control and the responsibility of a parent / guardian aged over 16 who is a member of the Club

4.2. Children aged 14-16 must give the name and contact details of a parent or guardian on the signing on sheet before going on the water.

*(I put these in – but under our agreement with the Club, I'm the "responsible guardian" and I also have the contact details for the 14-16 year olds)*

4.3. No child under the age of 6 may participate in any on-the-water activity organised by the Club (including racing and youth club) or go on the water in a boat owned by the Club. Subject to the limitations of their own



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insurance, parents or guardians may take children under the age of 6, who are members, sailing in their own boats, but not as part of any activity organised by the Club.

4.4. No child under the age of 8 may participate in any commercial training organised by the Club

## **6. CAR PARKING**

6.1. There is limited parking available at our site and members should park considerately, bearing in mind the wind conditions, the needs of other members and legitimate visitors and the weight a quantity of sailing kit that sailors and windsurfers have to bring. Inconsiderate parking is considered unworthy of a member.

6.2. Members may park in the designated areas as detailed below providing their vehicle is displaying a current DWSC car sticker / disc and their vehicle is registered with the Club. Members may not park in other areas on the site and doing so may result in their vehicular access to the site being suspended. Members without a current DWSC car sticker / disc or whose vehicle is not registered with the Club should park in Severn Trent's Pay & Display car park.

6.3. The Club's lower car park area below the pay & display car park can be used by all members and legitimate visitors

*(The club's normally fairly quiet on a Saturday, and we've always used the lower car park without any problems / complaints. The sign on the cub carpark now says "members and guests" and at the very least we are "legitimate visitors". If anybody asks, explain you are with Warwickshire Scouts who are an affiliated group, and give them my name.) Worst case, I'm afraid we have to be prepared to have to use the Severn Trent Pay and Display.*

## **9. USE OF THE WATER**

9.1. All boats / boards using the water are subject to the authority of the bosun and if the bosun instructs them to go ashore, this instruction shall be followed immediately.

9.3. No boat / board should go on the water without having signed in either on the signing on sheet or on the race entry sheet having filled in all the details required and naming the people in / on the boat / board. On returning to shore the boat / board should be signed off on the same sheet

9.7. The sailors in all boats shall wear personal buoyancy at all times while on the water (wet suits or waist/seat harnesses alone are not deemed to be personal buoyancy).

9.11. Sailing is not permitted within 30 metres of the shore except along the Club shoreline, nor, during the fishing season, within the buoyed area in Toft Bay, or within 80 metres from Draycote Bank (bank to the North-West of the reservoir near the water pumping tower). Landing in an exclusion area is allowed only in an emergency. The Club pontoon is to be used only by the committee boats and rescue craft.

## **14. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES**

14.1. Fishing, shooting, bathing, wading and paddling are prohibited, except when it is necessary to launch or beach boats, or in an emergency.

14.2. No person shall commit or permit any act which might result in pollution or fouling of water in, or flowing into, the reservoir.

14.3. No person shall commit or permit any act which might result in disturbance or harm to any kind of wild life.

14.4. No person may fly a drone at the Club unless they abide by all the CAA regulations and have the written permission of the Committee

*Any questions, please give me a call.*

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