

## **HEALTH, SAFETY & ENVIRONMENT POLICY**

## POLICY STATEMENT

Chelmarsh Sailing Club (the Club) attaches great importance to the health and safety of its members, visitors and to protection of the environment. The organisation aims to ensure that all activities carried out, or undertaken by its members in relation to the work of the club, are managed in such a manner to avoid, control or reduce to an acceptable level all foreseeable risks to the health & safety of any person(s) who may be affected by such activities to an acceptable level and to protect the local environment.

We will adopt and implement procedures that are compatible with and recognise the duties imposed by the relevant statutory documents relating to health, safety and environment.

The Club will pay particular attention to the provision of:

- Risk Assessment for all activities carried out by us, where we believe this is appropriate.
- Procedures for activities at the club to promote safe and enjoyable water sports.
- A healthy working environment.
- Safe, suitable and where possible sustainable resources and equipment.
- Sufficient training for instructors and members to enable them to comply with health, safety and environmental procedures.
- Actively promote and develop the culture of continuous safety improvement at the Club, through the reporting and investigation of "near misses" and incident/accidents.

Club members and visitors undertake:

- To take reasonable care to avoid acts or omissions that may adversely affect the health & safety of themselves and others.
- To co-operate fully with anyone responsible for carrying out health & safety checks.
- To not intentionally or recklessly interfere with, or misuse, any resource or equipment.
- To observe at all times health, safety and environmental procedures.
- To make their own assessment of prevailing conditions on land and water and take prudent precautions to ensure their own safety and that of those around them.





## RESPONSIBILITIES

Health and Safety is everybody's responsibility.

It is the responsibility of the Commodore through the Club General Committee to ensure that Health, Safety and Environmental policy is implemented.

It is the responsibility of the Club Health and Safety Officer to ensure that the appropriate risk assessments are undertaken and reviewed.

It is the responsibility of the General Committee to approve policies, procedures and operating instructions and promote their use.

It is the responsibility of Club members and their visitors to read, understand and follow Club policies, procedures and operating instructions.

Commodore, Richard Woods:

Health and Safety Officer, David Bibby:

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