

## **Terms of Hire for Emsworth Sailing Club (ESC) Boats, SUPs or Kayaks**

- 1) Boats, SUPs or Kayaks may only be hired by fully paid up Members of ESC.
- 2) No Boats, SUPs or Kayaks will be hired to the same person or family for a period in excess of 5 consecutive days without written approval from [bookings@emsworthsc.org.uk](mailto:bookings@emsworthsc.org.uk).
- 3) The hirer must be 18 years old or over at the date of hire.
- 4) The hirer is responsible for the boat, SUP or Kayak while it is being used during the period of hire.
- 5) The hirer will be considered the "master" of the boat, SUP or Kayak for the period of use/hire.
- 6) ESC may require the hirer to provide a deposit against damage of not more than £50 prior to the hiring in addition to the hire fee.
- 7) Any damage to the boat, hired equipment, SUP or Kayak or for lost equipment, beyond fair wear and tear will be logged by the hirer in the incident book located in the outer office.
- 8) If damage to the boat, SUP or Kayak is not reported the hirer may be liable for the full cost of repairs.
- 9) Hirers shall reimburse ESC for any loss or damage caused during their period of hire, to
  - a) a boat, SUP or Kayak and/or
  - b) a third party, and shall either,  
  
pay the full cost of replacement and/or repair, or pay the amount of any insurance excess applicable which is £50, whichever is the lesser amount.
- 10) All hired equipment must be returned to their allocated slot/place by the hirer with all equipment immediately after use, packed away, washed down and free from sand. A surcharge may be applied to the hirer if this is not completed to a satisfactory standard.
- 11) ESC/Bosun may make such enquiries of the hirer prior to the hiring as it considers appropriate to satisfy itself that the hirer is competent to use the hired equipment safely and has the right to refuse a hiring on such grounds as it considers fit.
- 12) Hirers will be bound by the [ESC rules](#) and [bye-laws](#) and go afloat at their own risk.
- 13) All persons using a hire boat shall wear a buoyancy aid at all times whilst afloat.
- 14) The hirer may not sail/paddle or launch boats, SUPs or Kayaks other than from the ESC site, or remove hired equipment from ESC, without the written approval of the Bosun.
- 15) Refunds are at the discretion of ESC and will only be issued in exceptional circumstances.
- 16) Maximum number of people in each;
  - RS Feva should be in accordance with the CE Plate that can be found on the transom/within the cockpit of the vessel
  - RS Quest should be in accordance with the CE Plate that can be found on the transom/within the cockpit of the vessel
  - Laser Bahia should be in accordance with the CE Plate that can be found on the transom/within the cockpit of the vessel

- Optimist - 2 small children
- Scow should be in accordance with the CE Plate that can be found within the cockpit of the vessel. Max. 2 Persons or 260KG.
- SUP maximum on-board weight is 105 kgs.
- Kayak maximum on-board weight is 105 kgs.

17) ESC may impose such other conditions on the hire of the boats, kayaks or SUPs as it considers reasonably necessary.

18) ESC reserves the right to cancel any bookings if boats, kayaks or SUPs are required for training purposes. Training will always take priority over bookings. ESC will endeavour to provide as much cancellation notice as possible.

### **Further restrictions on the Use of the ESC SUPs**

1. Maximum on-board weight: 105 kgs
2. Maximum wind speed: 10 knots/11 mph/18 kph/Force 3. If the mean wind speed current or forecast at Cambermet is in excess of this, there will be no SUP activity. Always check the forecast (Windguru, Cambermet) before setting off.
3. Range: Emsworth Channel and Sweare Deep to Fisheries to the South and Hayling Bridge to the West.
4. Chichester Harbour Conservancy ask all users of the waterways to keep their distance from nesting birds and seals. For information, see Chichester Harbour Conservancy website.
5. Personal Flotation Devices must be worn by all users.
6. The leash must always be worn. No leash – no paddleboarding!
7. Footwear must be worn - bare feet are not acceptable - water sport shoes or similar are required.
8. Launching and landing the board present particular hazards, especially when stepping down from the board into an unknown and potentially shallow depth of water. You are advised not to stand up on the board until in at least 1m of water.
9. For private hire users a mobile phone in a suitable waterproof container should be taken. It is helpful to have useful numbers like the club office and harbour patrol already loaded.
10. Take great care with the tide. Private hire of the Club SUPs should only take place +/- two hours of high water.

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