

HISC TRAINING POLICY

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1.0 About This Policy

HISC has an active training programme and operates as a recognised RYA Training Centre. HISC also facilitates member training sessions and hosts external organisations training from HISC. Adult training is the responsibility of the Sailing Committee and youth training the responsibility of the Youth Committee (as part of the overall sailing programme co-ordinated by the Sailing Committee). All training activity identified below will ultimately be approved for inclusion in the programme by one of these two committees. The General Manager is the RYA Centre Principal, and the Marine Manager is the Chief Instructor.

This policy works to the principle that Club members can utilise Club training resources at a much-reduced rate compared with non-members. A Price Schedule will be listed separately to this Policy.

This Policy aims to inform all involved of -

- The training available at the Club.
- Who is eligible to join each training activity.
- The booking process and procedures.
- Prices for each different training activity.
- Who is responsible for the safety of those on each type of training.
- The Club Rule which applies to each training activity where non-members are included.

This Policy outlines specific safety requirements however there are specific Standard Operating Procedures which outline operating practises in further detail.

2.0 Training Available

2.1 HISC RYA Courses/ Recognised Training Centre Activity (RTC)

These are official RYA courses run by HISC and other training run by HISC Training Centre. *i.e RYA stage 1, Summer Training Camp, Youth Training Week, Improvers, 1:2:1 session.*

Event Organiser	Marine Manager
Responsibility for H&S	HISC
Who Can Participate	Members & non-members. Courses are only offered to non-members at off-peak times (see
	Section 10 for off-peak definition) and where there is spare capacity & as approved by GM.
Booking Process	Spaces on Courses are booked with the HISC Office
Club Rule relevant for non-member participation	Point 1.6 in The Schedule to the Rules concerning Membership – Temporary membership category.

2.2 Official Club Activity

These are sessions organised by the Club where no RYA certificate is awarded for participating in the session. E.g Red Ribbon, wow, Sailing Saturdays, Thursday Club

Event Organiser	HISC/Committee Representative
Responsibility for H&S	HISC
Who Can Participate	Members (non-members for Thursday Club only)
Booking Process	Spaces on Courses are booked with the HISC Office (Thursday Club has a separate system)
Club Rule relevant for non-member participation	Thursday Club arrangement has been officially approved and is documented separately.

2.3 External Training

This includes all RYA Squads and RTG's and Class Association Squads who visit HISC.

Event Organiser	External Organisation
Overall responsibility for H&S	HISC/Event Organiser
HISC Responsibility	The Event Booking process
	 The Coach Registration process
	 The Risk Assessment process
	 The Local Update to coaches
	 Monitoring on the water sessions
	 Invoicing the Event Organiser
Event Organiser Responsibility	 Completing the booking with HISC
	 Collecting Medical Information
	 Managing participant bookings
	 Ensuring the Lead Coach & shore has a
	list of sailors for each session.
	 Contracting the Coach
Lead Coaches Responsibility	 To run their sessions safely and
	educationally
	 To comply with HISC Requirements
Who Can Participate	Members and Non-members
Booking Process	 Participants book with external
	organisation
	 HISC Invoices the external organisation
Fees	Full Price for Equipment & RIBS
HISC Safety Requirements	 All coaches are registered with HISC
	before the session
	 Risk Assessment completed before
	going afloat
	 List of sailors afloat to be submitted
	with the Risk Assessment before going
	afloat
	 2 people in each RIB

	The Lead Coach must attend the Local Update.
Club Rule relevant for non-member	Non-members attend as Guests under Rule 45.3
participation	

2.4 HISC Class Training

This includes HISC Winter Training or other Official Class Race Coaching. *E.g. RS Feva Winter Training, RS800 Class Training Day*

Event Organiser	Class Captain		
Overall responsibility for H&S	HISC		
HISC Responsibility	 The Event Booking process The Coach Registration process The Risk Assessment process The Local Update to coaches Monitoring on the water sessions Paying the coaches (as per the booking form provided) 		
Event Organiser Responsibility	 Contracting the coach Managing participant bookings Completing the HISC Booking form Ensure the Lead Coach & shore has a list of sailors for each session Collecting Medical Information 		
Lead Coaches Responsibility	 To run their sessions safely and educationally To comply with HISC Requirements. 		
Who Can Participate	Members		
Booking Process	 Members book their spaces with the Class Captain Members pay for spaces at the HISC Office 		
Fees	Members Discounted Price for RIBS		
HISC Safety Requirements	 Class Captains submit the booking form to secure their session in the HISC Calendar & resources All coaches are registered with HISC before the session 2 people must be in each RIB Coaches are required to complete a Risk Assessment before going afloat List of sailors afloat to be submitted with the Risk Assessment The Lead Coach must attend the Local Update. 		

2.5 HISC Open Training

This is a session involving HISC members and non-members. Members cannot host open training without involving the Club (Rule 45.3). Any marketing material for these activities which is aimed at non-members must be signed off by the General Manager. The Sailing Committee will not approve open training events happening on a regular basis; limits will be applied to ensure the Club status as a Member's Club is not undermined.

Event Organiser	Event Organiser/HISC
Overall Responsibility for H&S	HISC
HISC Responsibility	The Event Booking process
	 The Coach Registration process
	 The Risk Assessment process
	 The Local Update to coaches
	 Monitoring on the water sessions
	 Invoicing the Event Organiser
Event Organiser Responsibility	Contracting the coach
	Paying the Coach
	 Completing an event budget
	 Managing participant bookings
	 Completing the HISC Booking form
	 Ensuring the Lead Coach & shore has a
	list of sailors for each session
	Collecting Medical Information
Lead Coaches Responsibility	 To run their sessions safely and
	educationally.
	 To comply with HISC Requirements
Who Can Participate	Members and non-members
Booking Process	 Participants book directly with the
	Event Organiser.
	 HISC will invoice the Event Organiser.
Fees	 Full Price for Equipment & RIBS
	 Day Sailing Fee per person per day for
	non-member Guests
HISC Requirements from Event Organiser/Coach	 All coaches are registered with HISC
	before the session
	Risk Assessment completed before
	going afloat
	List of sailors afloat to be submitted
	with the Risk Assessment before going
	afloat
	2 people in each RIB Contact the Contact
	Contract the Coach The Local Coach and the Local Head and the Local Coach are the Local Head and the L
	 The Lead Coach must attend the Local Update
Club Rule relevant for non-member	Non-members attend as Guests under Rule 45.3
participation	

2.6 Member Commercial Private Training

This is private member to member training where the 'coach' is being paid for their services. This arrangement can only be made between HISC members. Club RIBs can be booked.

Event Organiser	Member
Overall Responsibility for H&S	HISC/Member
HISC Responsibility	The Event Booking process
	 The Coach Registration process
	 The Risk Assessment process
	 The Local Update to coaches
	 Monitoring on the water sessions
Event Organiser Responsibility	 Contracting the coach
	 Paying the Coach
	 Managing participant bookings
	 Informing HISC of the session
	 Ensuring the Lead Coach & shore has a
	list of sailors for each session
	 Collecting Medical Information
Lead Coaches Responsibility	 To run their sessions safely and
	educationally
	To comply with HISC Requirements
Who Can Participate	Members
Booking Process	 Participants book directly with the
	Event Organiser
	HISC will invoice the Event Organiser if
	required for RIB Hire
Fees	Members Discounted Price for RIBS
HISC Requirements from Event Organiser/Coach	HISC informed of the session
	RIBS booked with HISC Office if
	required
	All coaches are registered with HISC
	before the session
	2 people in each RIB (unless 1:2:1
	session)
	Coaches are required to complete a
	Risk Assessment before going afloat

2.7 Member non-commercial Private Training

This is where members are sailing together, and no money is exchanged. This is considered free sailing, and the Club is not involved. It can include a parent in a RIB supporting their children or friends.

3.0 Qualification Requirements Matrix

	One or the other of the below is required			All of the below are required				
	RYA Instructor	RYA Senior Instructor	RCL2	RCL3	First Aid	Safe and Fun	PB2	HISC RYA SOP
HISC RYA / RTC Activity	Yes	Yes			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Official Club Activity	Yes	Yes			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
External Training	Yes – with lead coach/SI approval	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
HISC Class Training	Yes – with lead coach/SI approval	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Open Training	Yes – with lead coach/SI approval	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Member Commercial Private Training	Yes – with lead coach /SI approval	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Member non- commercial Training	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

4.0 Dinghy Instructors

Dinghy Instructors are qualified to deliver instruction in line with the National Sailing Scheme. Dinghy Instructors may deliver coaching sessions under the guidance of a Lead Coach if they are deemed to have suitable experience. The Lead Coach shall be responsible for assessing that the Dinghy Instructor has the required experience. The Lead Coach will complete the Risk Assessment for the session run by the Dinghy Instructor. The Dinghy Instructor being used for a coaching session must be registered with the Club 7 days before the session.

5.0 Duty Senior Instructor (Duty SI)

It is the responsibility of the Duty SI to:

- Receive and sign-off Risk Assessments
- Provide the Local Update to Lead Coaches
- Supervise any RYA Activity/RTC Activity & Official Club Activity (unless this is delegated to another Senior Instructor)
- Monitor all other on the water training
- Complete the registration process for coaches
- Respond to issues as they develop
- Report issues to HISC Management.

6.0 Lead Coaches

It is the responsibility of the Lead Coach to:

- Complete a Risk Assessment before going afloat
- Ensure a list of sailors afloat has been submitted with their Risk Assessment
- Ensure the safety of their session on the water
- Comply with all HISC Requirements
- Approve Instructors to participate in coaching sessions.
- Comply with decisions made by the Duty SI, e.g. they cannot run a session which the Duty SI has called off.

7.0 Event Organisers

Event Organisers have a responsibility in the HISC Health and Safety Policy to organise their event ensuring the safety of any employees, volunteer or participants involved in their event and comply with this policy. This should be done in consultation with the Lead Coach and Duty SI. The Event Organiser cannot call on a session which the Duty SI has called off. The Event Organiser may be responsible for contracting & paying the coach depending on the type of activity they are organising. They shall be responsible for organising and managing participants if they are organising Class Training.

8.0 Members

Members' responsibility is to ensure they are complying with this policy and to help ensure all training & activity is conducted safely. Health and Safety is everyone's responsibility. If a member is organising a session, they become the Event Organiser.

9. Off-peak

Off-peak dates will be agreed each year by the General Manager and Sailing Committee.

The definition of off-peak is outside:

- August, May Half Term, Easter Weekend
- Whenever there is a major member or Club open event running, in the week or at a weekend.
- Pennant Weekends

9.0 Revision History

February	Initial version of new policy following review of all HISC activity agreed at GC and SC.
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February	Review no changes
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