

Rules and Regulations for use of Boat and Craft at Port Eynon Bay

Non adherence to any rule or regulation may result in Boat and Craft Registration and Club Membership being revoked and access to the slipway withdrawn.

Boat Club Members must also adhere to the Club Membership Rules and Constitution

For the purposes of the Rules and Regulations, City & County of Swansea Registered users and Port Eynon Boat Club Members are determined as “**Registered Users**”.

Applications

- i. Boat/Craft Application Forms must be completed and returned together with your remittance for the appropriate fee/charge (shown on the enclosed sheet), a copy of your insurance certificate is required. All insurance must be in the name of the applicant.
- ii. Applications will be administered and processed within 10 working days. Applicants must allow for this prior to making their visit to the beach.
- iii. Failure to apply in good time and meet the requirements of application form will result in Registered Users being refused entry to the slipway.

Registration

- iv. Registered Users must display the issued registration stickers at all times on both their Boats and Trailers.
- v. Replacement registration stickers may be subject to a further charge if they are lost or damaged
- vi. Registered Users are duly obliged to notify the City & County of Swansea and/or Port Eynon Bay Boat Club if any personal or vehicle or craft details change at any time post registration

Insurance and Licences and taxes

- vii. Registered Users shall have full insurance in respect of themselves, their boat/craft. Policies must cover third party and public liabilities.
- viii. Registered Users shall have full insurance and appropriate Licenses and taxes for their vehicles. Vehicles must be in a road worthy condition and be appropriate for the purposes that you intend to use it. Policies must cover third party and public liabilities
- ix. City & County of Swansea and Port Eynon Boat Club work closely with other agencies (SW Police, m VOSA and DVLA) to ensure Registered

Users compliance to laws regulations. All agencies may conduct a spot check at any time.

- x. The City & County of Swansea and/or Port Eynon Boat Club or its agents reserve the right to request Registered Users insurance documents at any time throughout the season.
- xi. Registered Users are duly obliged to notify the City & County of Swansea and/or Port Eynon Bay Boat Club if any details change regarding insurance at any time post registration

Payment of Fees

- xii. Port Eynon Boat Club Membership runs from January to December of each year and fees are paid directly to the club. No additional fees are due for parking or launching for Boat Club Members
- xiii. City & County of Swansea Boat Registration Scheme at Port Eynon runs from 1st May to 30th April of each year.
 - a. Registration Fees are made payable in advance to the Council via the available payment methods of cash, card and online payment.
 - b. Park and Launch Fees are payable via the onsite car parking machine by cash or card.

Parking of Vehicles and Trailers

- xiv. Vehicles and Trailers must be parked safely and appropriately in the designated parking areas.
- xv. Boat Club Members may park within the onsite Club compound for no additional charge
- xvi. City & County of Swansea Registered users must park in the designated public car parks as directed by the onsite parking attendant.
- xvii. City & County of Swansea Registered users must pay the appropriate park and launch fees as directed on the onsite signage.
- xviii. Vehicles and Trailers must be removed from the public parking areas by the times advertised by the onsite signage. Failure to do so will result in vehicle being locked in overnight.
- xix. Parking in the access lane toward the slipway is strictly prohibited and will result in a fixed penalty charge notice and exclusion from the registration scheme
- xx. Parking on the beach or the slipway is strictly prohibited and will result in a fixed penalty charge notice and exclusion from the registration scheme

Access and Security

- xxi. Registered Users will be issued with a security key for access to the slipway using their registered craft and vehicle
- xxii. The Security key must not be copied or transferred to any person by the Registered User.
- xxiii. On accessing and leaving the beach, users must lock the barrier behind them on each occasion.
- xxiv. Registered Users are strictly prohibited from leaving access through the barrier for non registered users.

Launching, Recover and driving on the beach

- xxv. Registered Users must ensure that launched and recovered Boats and Craft safely in the designated boating lane.
- xxvi. Maximum speed limit of 5 knots within the boating lane. Full throttle is forbidden within 50 meters of the shore
- xxvii. Boats/Craft leaving or entering the boating lane must travel on starboard (Right) side of the lane.
- xxviii. Maximum vehicle speed limit of 5mph on the beach. Registered Users are the only permitted drivers and must take care of all other users, especially children
- xxix. Registered Users must keep craft/boats clear of the bathing area and all bathers by 100 meters
- xxx. Registered Users will obey instruction by the RNLI Lifeguards and Officers of the City and County of Swansea or Port Eynon Bay Boat Club Officials.

Towing Vessel

- xxxi. Skiers or any towed activity must be towed in an anti clockwise direction within the bay and skier/towed person must not approach within 100m of the waters edge, bathing areas or other bathers
- xxxii. Ski ropes must be pulled into the boat after releasing the skier or towed person(s).
- xxxiii. Boats/Craft must not follow the wake of a skier

Jet skis and Personal Watercraft

- xxxiv. Registration of Jet skis and Personal Watercraft is only available through Port Eynon Bay Boat Club Membership
- xxxv. Use of Jet skis and Personal Watercraft under the City & County of Swansea Registration scheme is not permitted

- xxxvi. Port Eynon Bay Boat Club may limit the number of Jet skis and Personal Watercraft that register each season
- xxxvii. Use of Jet skis and Personal Watercraft will be closely monitored and may be withdrawn at any time

Sea safety preparation and compliance

- xxxviii. Prior to going on the water, Registered Users should be aware of the following safety considerations
 - a) Inform a reliable person or H.M. Coastguard of your departure and estimated time of return.
 - b) Carry signal flares and an anchor
 - e) Wear suitable clothing and a lifejacket.
 - e) Ensure your engine's kill cord, if fitted, is attached to your Vessel's driver
 - f) Ensure your boat is not overloaded and is in a seaworthy condition
 - g) Obtain an up to date weather forecast.
 - h) If in doubt do not go afloat
- xxxix. Registered Users are obligated to make sure that boat/craft are properly equipped. To help with this the RNLI provide a free of charge service to boat owners to check your safety equipment and issue a certificate for the boat/craft. The RNLI "Advice On Board" scheme is available via www.rnli.org/adviceonboard or (01202) 663378
- xl. It is highly recommended that Registered Users receive the necessary training and qualifications to safely manage their boat/craft. Qualifications are available from a number of providers and a sample list has been provided as Appendix 1.

Behavior and Conduct

- xli. Registered Users that have been reported to behave in such a manner that is deemed inappropriate towards City & County of Swansea staff and agents, RNLI lifeguards or Port Eynon Boat Club Officials will be excluded from the scheme and all rights of use withdrawn.
- xlii. Use boat/craft under the influence of drink, or drugs is not permitted
- xliii. The Rules and Regulations for use of boats and craft apply to all Registered Users and permission will be withdrawn for non adherence to the rules

These Rules and Regulations are have been devised to properly and safely manage the use of vehicles and boats/craft on the beach and water. City and County of Swansea reserve the right to amend all Rules, Regulations, Fees/Charges and Permissions to use the Slipway, Beach and Parking areas at any time without notice.

LIST OF QUALIFICATIONS – APPENDIX 1

Royal Yachting Association

<u>International Certificate of Competency</u>	<u>Personal Watercraft</u> Personal Watercraft Proficiency Course
<u>Sailing</u> Competent Crew Day Skipper Coastal Skipper Yacht Master	<u>Motor Cruising</u> Helmsman Day Skipper Coastal Skipper Yacht Master
<u>Powerboat</u> Level 1 Level 2 Intermediate Advanced Safety Boat	<u>Navigation</u> Day skipper Coastal Skipper Yacht Master Off Shore Yacht Master Ocean

British Water Ski Federation

Ski Boat Driver Award
Club Driver Award
Instructor Award
Club Coach Award
Senior Coach Award

The British Sub-Aqua Club

Boat Handling Cert
Boat Handling Assistant Certificate
Boat Handling Instructor
Diver Coxswain