

PART 1

SECTION 1

**POLICY
STATEMENT**

SAFETY POLICY STATEMENT

References:

- A. Health and Safety at Work Etc. Act 1974.
- B. Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999.
- C. Health and Safety (Consultation with Employees) Regulations 1996.
- D. RYA Volunteers, the Club and Employment Law January 2006

1. The Management of Nottinghamshire County Sailing Club (known as NCSC), recognise and fully accept their responsibilities and duties under Reference A, other Health and Safety Legislation and Codes of Practice. They will also, as far as is reasonably practicable, ensure the health, safety and welfare of all their members, while they are working for NCSC. Particular attention will be paid to the following:

- Assessing risks to the health and safety of members, while they are working or taking part in activities, and recording the management action required to effectively prevent and protect them from those risks, (Reference B),
- Providing and maintaining plant, equipment and systems of work that are safe and without risks to health,
- The safe use, handling, storage and transport of articles and substances,
- Providing sufficient information, instruction, training and supervision for the health and safety of all NCSC members,
- Maintaining NCSC premises in a safe condition with safe access and egress,
- Providing and maintaining a safe working environment with adequate welfare facilities,
- Providing adequate and suitable Personal Protective Equipment when it is required,

2. Without detracting from the primary responsibility of members for ensuring safe conditions at work, the Commodore and his Committee will arrange for the provision of competent, technical advice on safety and health matters, where and when this is necessary.

3. No safety policy is likely to be successful unless it actively involves NCSC members. The NCSC Committee will meet these obligations by:

- Discussing the introduction of measures which substantially affect the health and safety of members,
- Arranging the appointment or nomination of a competent person(s),
- Planning and organising health and safety training,
- Discussing the health and safety consequences of introducing new technology,
- Ensuring that health and safety information is disseminated to all members (Reference C).

4. The Commodore and his Committee also recognises that they have a duty to persons who are not members of NCSC that may be affected by NCSC activities and will, as far as is reasonably practicable, ensure that any such persons are not exposed to risks to their health and safety.

5. Where other employees share the same workplace, the Commodore and his Committee will fully co-operate by co-ordinating activities to ensure that those persons are not exposed to unnecessary risks. The Commodore and his Committee will also ensure that full and comprehensive information regarding their activities is provided when that situation arises.

6. The Commodore and his Committee remind all NCSC members, whatever their status, of their duties under Reference A to take care of their own safety and that of others. They should also co-operate with management to enable them to carry out their responsibilities successfully.

7. A copy of this Statement, and the following Organisation and Arrangements documents, will be issued as part of the Safety Policy. A series of Managers Safety Guidance Notes will supplement, and expand where necessary, the Arrangements Document and all documents will be added to or modified as legislation or the local situation dictates.

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