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Code of Conduct for Boat Storage at the Weir Quay Hub Club

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This code applies to boats stored in a space allocated in the Dinghy Park and in a toast rack (for tenders).
- 1.2 A boat applies to: tenders, sailing dinghies, canoes, kayaks and fine rowing boats e.g. a sculling boat.
- 1.3 Parking spaces are allocated yearly at the discretion of the Dinghy Park Officer and the WQSC committee and there is no automatic right to entitlement.
- 1.4 All those storing their boat at the Hub Club facilities must respect and care for the site, its facilities and other members' property.
- 1.5 All boats are stored at their owner's risk.
- 1.6 Once the boat storage fee has been paid, the allocated parking slot will be displayed on the green box notice board in the Dinghy Park.

2. Site Details

- 2.1 The Dinghy Park is divided into two sections: left and right, with the drive as the centre line.
- 2.2 The right side is adjacent to the river.
- 2.3 The left side is adjacent to the bank/field.
- 2.4 Each side has an inner and an outer storage area.
- 2.5 The inner area is closest to the drive.
- 2.6 The outer area is beyond the above and closest to the hedge or bank.

3. Time Periods

- 3.1 The period of storage runs from 1st April to 31st March the following year.
- 3.2 The club's sailing season runs from the first Friday in April to the last Friday in September.

4. Dinghy Park – during the sailing season

- 4.1 Boats and their trollies must have a club-supplied identification sticker attached.
- 4.2 Owners of boats parked in an outer slot have automatic permission to move boats in an inner slot to gain access but any boats moved must be replaced

4.3 Boats:

- Must be in a seaworthy condition unless undergoing imminent repairs.
- Must be able to be manoeuvred by one person of average stature.

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- Must have a waterproof cover, or drain holes, or be stored so as not to allow rain water to build up. Owners must empty any water from their boats as soon as practicable following a period of wet weather.
- Must be parked within the designated area and not protrude outside this or obstruct the drive.

4.4 Launching trollies:

- Should be capable of supporting the boat to which they apply.
- Should be able to withstand the rigours of launch and recovery from site.
- Should have tyres fully inflated (if applicable).
- Left on the public slipway must not impede other slipway users.
- If borrowed, must be returned to site and stored neatly.

5. Dinghy Park - during the Winter season

- 5.1 It is recommended for boats left during the Winter season to be stored upside down.
- 5.2 Booms or masts taken off boats and left on site must be clearly marked with the boat's name.
- 5.3 Owners must regularly check their boats for any rain water build up or wind/storm damage.

6. Tenders in Toast Racks

- 6.1 Tenders must have a club-supplied identification sticker attached.
- 6.2 It is recommended that tenders are padlocked to the rails to deter theft.
- 6.3 Inflatable tenders must be at least 75% inflated and regularly checked for possible deflation during the sailing season.
- 6.4 Tenders in the outermost position in a toast rack must be securely strapped to the toast rack to prevent them falling away from this.
- 6.5 It is recommended that tenders are secured to the toast rack to prevent damage in strong winds / storms.
- 6.6 Tender trollies must have a club-supplied identification sticker attached and either be stored with the tender or out of the way of other Dinghy Park users.

7. Other Boats: Canoes, Kayaks and Fine Rowing Boats

- 7.1 These boats must have a club-supplied identification sticker attached.
- 7.2 They must be capable of being handled by 2 persons of average stature.
- 7.3 Spaces will be allocated for these boats e.g. on the grass area between the outer boats and the hedge on the right side of the Dinghy Park or to the right of the first toast rack or on the bank to the left of the Boat Shed.

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- 7.4 Owners of these boats must adopt a safe handling procedure when manoeuvring amongst other boats on site.
- 7.5 It is not recommended to leave any paddles on site.