



EAST ANTRIM BOAT CLUB

88 Coastguard Road, Larne, BT40 2AU

Covid-19 Specific Risk Assessment for
the Return to Outdoor Activity- April
2021

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Hazards		Control Measures	
Hazard- spread of covid-19	Uncontrolled Rating	Control Measure	Controlled Rating
General	Medium	<p>Anyone who is feeling unwell or displaying any symptoms of Covid-19 should not be on the club premises.</p> <p>Track and Trace forms in clubhouse entrance area for members to sign and date when on site. During organised activity online booking is essential and will suffice as track and trace records.</p> <p>Communication to members with up-to-date guidance issued (group sizes and permitted activity)</p> <p>Signage displayed around the club and grounds in line with government health advice.</p>	Medium
Dinghy Park (moving boats and preparing to sail)	Medium	<p>Group sizes maintained within government regulations. Online booking system for organised training and racing will regulate numbers.</p> <p>Members to be 'distance aware' and during 'recreation activity' should make dynamic assessments to adhere to social distancing and not exceed group numbers.</p> <p>Everyone must maintain a 2-metre distance when in the dinghy park/ club grounds.</p> <p>Groups preparing for racing to move boats to allocated 'zone' to maintain distancing between groups.</p> <p>Zoned areas to be marked on ground and numbered 1,2,3 for clarity (see Appendix 1: map of club with dinghy park zone marking)</p>	Low
Dinghy launching	Medium	<p>Users should take care to keep social distancing when passing other boats when launching and recovering.</p>	Low

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		<p>Currently (from 1st April) groups must not exceed 10 people from 2 different households. There must be no crossover between groups (even on the water).</p> <p>Where multiple groups are launching/ recovering during organised activity a one-way system will be introduced (see Appendix 2: map of club with one way system operation) This will be managed by an onshore 'covid officer'.</p> <p>An additional hose will be located at the winch house to reduce crossover of boats and promote operation of one-way system.</p>	
<p>Safety Boat (not relevant until 'organised outdoor activity is permitted- possibly 12th April)</p>	Medium	<p>Organised activity (including safety) is currently not permitted under the government restrictions.</p> <p>Racing will only be held in (at worst) moderate conditions. Competitors will be discouraged to compete if they feel that the conditions are beyond their limits.</p> <p>Safety boat crew will, where possible, be from the same household or maintain social distancing (2 Meters).</p> <p>Safety boat crew will be advised of techniques where they can maintain distance when appropriate (towing from astern rather than alongside, flicking the mast to aid in capsize recovery, etc).</p> <p>Safety boats used for training will be driven by instructor/coach and will only be in direct contact with sailors if necessary for safety reasons.</p> <p>Safety boats are cleaned after each day's use</p>	Low
<p>Training (not relevant until 'organised outdoor activity is permitted- possibly 12th April)</p>	Medium	<p>Currently organised sport is not permitted under government restrictions.</p> <p>Group sizes maintained within government regulations. Online booking system for organised training and racing will regulate numbers. (Group sizes may be 15 people to include the coach/intrutor)</p>	

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		<p>Training will be in single handers and group sizes will be adhered to in line with government regulations. When multi-household sailing is permitted social distancing will be adhered to in line with government regulations.</p> <p>Sailors to arrive changed for sailing and either leave in sailing gear or change at cars.</p> <p>Essential participants only i.e., responsible adult drop off children and leave/ remain in cars.</p> <p>Instructors to take briefings/ debrief outdoors</p> <p>Instructors to remind younger sailors (U18's) that clubhouse facilities are closed except for use of toilet and encourage social distancing and good hand hygiene.</p> <p>Beginners cannot be accommodated due to need for close contact supervision. Sailors on courses will have a minimum level 2 and can sail solo.</p>	
<p>Dinghy Racing (not relevant until 'competitive sport' is permitted- no dates given)</p>	<p>Medium</p>	<p>Currently competitive sport is not permitted under government restrictions.</p> <p>Group sizes maintained within government regulations. Online booking system for organised training and racing will regulate numbers.</p> <p>Limited to members only to maintain covid standards and numbers.</p> <p>Racing will be in single handers or boats where crews are members of the same household/bubble in line with government regulations.</p> <p>Multi household sailing is only possible where 2 meters social distancing can be observed at all times (heighten risk when mixing households on same vessel).</p>	<p>Low</p>

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Yard Activities including keelboat launching	Medium	<p>From 1st April group sizes should not exceed 10 people from 2 households (this may restrict ability to launch)</p> <p>Members should maintain social distancing (2 meters) when preparing and launching boats.</p> <p>When working on keelboats in yard members should be aware of other users and avoid gatherings. In particular avoid contact with persons at adjacent boats who may be in close proximity.</p> <p>Activity should be organised by responsible member and operations managed to ensure safety and social distancing are possible.</p> <p>Launching/ recovery slots should be booked with yard supervisors to avoid congestion and maintain safety standards.</p> <p>Yard supervisors to control use of blocks, shackles, brake, bars, wire ropes, chains, jacks etc., to minimise number of persons handling this equipment.</p> <p>When using shared yard equipment (at winch house/ workshop/ container/ tractor etc) members should observe good hand hygiene and maintain social distancing. Wearing of PPE equipment may be necessary in certain scenarios.</p>	Low
Outdoor shower/ changing	Low	<p>Single outdoor shower limited to one person at a time.</p> <p>Social distancing should be observed.</p>	Low
Race Committee boat	High	<p>All races will be started and finished from a Committee Boat. Only one person will be permitted in the Committee Boat unless mitigations are in place. A distance of 2 metres should be maintained at all times.</p>	Low
Club Toilets	High	<p>Club toilets are currently available for member use</p>	Low

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		<p>Numbers are strictly limited to 2 people in the toilet facility to maintain social distancing and avoid close contact.</p> <p>Members should wear masks when entering the club building.</p> <p>Weekly cleaning regime in place for toilet areas. Frequency will be increased when activity levels at club increase.</p> <p>Surface cleaner available for member use to clean used areas.</p> <p>Hand sanitisers are available on entry to clubhouse and should be used.</p> <p>Hand hygiene should be observed</p> <p>Posters are in place around the club and toilets to encourage good hygiene and social distancing.</p>	
Changing rooms (currently closed)	High	<p>Under current government restrictions the clubhouse will remain closed.</p> <p>Members should arrive and depart from the club in their sailing gear.</p> <p>Upon the easing of lockdown restrictions, the changing and shower areas will be marked with black and yellow tape to spread users 2 metres apart.</p> <p>Only two people will be allowed in the male showers at once, and only one person in the female shower.</p>	Low
Car Parking	Low	<p>When organised training and racing is permitted members will be directed to park in the 'overflow' carpark. This will allow ample space for social distancing between cars.</p> <p>Closing the club carpark; creates more space for sailing groups to manoeuvre and maintain social distancing. Allows social distancing and safer while launching and recovering boats with tractor/ winch house.</p> <p>Members are discouraged from lingering in car park before/ after activity.</p>	Low

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Indoor meetings (not currently permitted)	High	Committees and sub committees meet remotely (online meetings)	low
Kitchen (closed)	High	Kitchen facilities are currently closed. No club functions or meals are planned. No members should access kitchen while indoor facility use is not permitted.	N/A
Bar/ Lounge areas (closed)	High	Bars (indoor and outdoor) are currently closed Members should not access lounge areas of clubhouse while indoor facility use is not permitted.	N/A
Clubhouse (all areas except toilets)	High	Clubhouse remains closed. Members can access toilets only when on site for outdoor activity (see WC guidance above)	N/A

DISCLAIMER: Please be advised that the above measures are the recommendations of the General Committee. The decision to go afloat is always the responsibility of the individual.

APPENDIX 1: DINGHY PARK RIGGING ZONES FOR DISTINCT GROUPS



APPENDIX 2: DINGHY LAUNCHING AND RECOVERY ONE-WAY SYSTEM (for use when multiple groups of organised activity)

