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RISK ASSESSMENT INFORMATION:

The assessment of the risks associated with returning to racing at the Seaford facility of NSSC while COVID-19 is still prevalent throughout the UK. The Royal Yachting Association has published a document ‘*Club Guidance on restarting boating activity and managing COVID-19*’. This document tabulates the inherent risks associated with returning to boating which have been applied to this Risk Assessment for our specific facility.

The RYA Club Guidance Document can be found at https://www.rya.org.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/clubs/Club_Guidance_Covid19_v1.2.pdf

The RYA Guidance on Sailing and Racing with participants from different households during COVID-19 in England <https://www.rya.org.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/clubs/RYA%20Sailing%20%26%20Racing%20in%20Mixed%20Households.pdf>

<p>Persons Affected By This Risk Assessment</p>
<p>Directors and Members of all status associated with Newhaven and Seaford Sailing Club</p>



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Hazard / Consequences	Control Procedures	Likelihood (a)	Severity (b)	Risk Ranking (= a x b)
Contracting COVID -19 in the changing, shower and toilet facilities.	<p>The changing rooms will remain closed as will the shower facility at all times.</p> <p>The toilet is available, however the procedure 'The Galley' has put in place MUST be followed at all times.</p> <p>Entering the building is at the members own risk.</p>	1	1	1



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Contracting COVID -19 in the wet entrance area when signing on and off or studying the course.	<p>Signing on will be complete online.</p> <p>Course will be displayed via the letters in the race box windows.</p> <p>Members signing onto a race <i>electronically</i> MUST have read the Terms and Conditions of racing at Seaford and these will be enforced at the briefing. In addition members MUST have read the Sailing Instructions and Notice Of Race prior to signing on. Once signed onto a race this indicates to race officials and directors that the Terms and Conditions, Sailing Instructions and Notice of Race have been read and understood.</p>	1	1	1

Hazard / Consequences	Control Procedures	Likelihood (a)	Severity (b)	Risk Ranking (= a x b)
Contracting COVID -19 from another member via the dinghy park.	Members MUST follow the government advice to remain 2 meters apart at ALL times.	1	1	1



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Hazard / Consequences	Control Procedures	Likelihood (a)	Severity (b)	Risk Ranking (= a x b)
Contracting COVID -19 when manoeuvring vessels to and from the beach.	In the event that a single member requires help manoeuvring their vessel over the terrain, then they should approach from a 2 meter distance a member of their launching and recovery zone to give assistance. Face coverings must be worn when manoeuvring vessels in close proximity on the land and when launching.	1	1	1

Hazard / Consequences	Control Procedures	Likelihood (a)	Severity (b)	Risk Ranking (= a x b)
Contracting COVID -19 when launching and recovering.	Participants will be placed in zones of 6 individuals maximum. These individuals will be in the same zone every week. They can assist one and other in and out of the water following government guidelines throughout. Face coverings must be worn when launching vessels	1	1	1



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Hazard / Consequences	Control Procedures	Likelihood (a)	Severity (b)	Risk Ranking (= a x b)
Contracting COVID -19 when at the race briefing.	The race briefing will be held on the beach outside and all participants MUST remain 2 meters apart at all times. Pre, throughout and post briefing.	1	1	1

Hazard / Consequences	Control Procedures	Likelihood (a)	Severity (b)	Risk Ranking (= a x b)
Contracting COVID -19 from the race box.	Those who have volunteered for duties are under no obligation whatsoever to fulfil their duty if they don't feel comfortable given the current pandemic and should remove themselves from the duty straight away and inform a director. Those who are comfortable to fulfil their duty in the race box will be alone or with another member of their house hold. They MUST sanitize all relevant equipment prior to beginning their duty and after they have finished.	1	1	1



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Hazard / Consequences	Control Procedures	Likelihood (a)	Severity (b)	Risk Ranking (= a x b)
Contracting COVID -19 while commuting to and from the patrol craft at Newhaven Marina and operating those vessels throughout an organised club race.	<p>Those who have volunteered for duties are under no obligation whatsoever to fulfil their duty if they don't feel comfortable given the current pandemic and should remove themselves from the duty straight away and inform a director. Those who are comfortable to fulfil their duty on a patrol craft will be alone or with another member of their household. They MUST sanitize all relevant equipment prior to beginning their duty and after they have finished. In the event of an emergency where the skipper is put in a position <u>as a last resort</u> to rescue a participant of the race then they should put on relevant PPE provided in the waterproof barrel. This includes a disposable sealed facemask. It is advisable that all members of patrol craft carry their own PPE, a disposable mask as a minimum requirement.</p> <p>To reduce the risk of the patrol vessel being put in the position where they have to consider rescuing any participant the maximum wind speed that any race can be held in is FORCE 4 on the beaufort scale. This is a moderate breeze of 11 – 16 knots.</p>	1	2	2



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	Journeying to and from the harbour should be in an automobile belonging to the individual who is assigned the duty and not with another individual who is commuting to the harbour to facilitate a different duty.			
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Hazard / Consequences	Control Procedures	Likelihood (a)	Severity (b)	Risk Ranking (= a x b)
Contracting COVID -19 while handling buoys.	When handling buoys in and out of the water it must be completed by a single individual. It MUST be that same individual that handles the buoys throughout their duty.	1	1	1

Hazard / Consequences	Control Procedures	Likelihood (a)	Severity (b)	Risk Ranking (= a x b)
Contracting COVID -19 while operating the winch.	<p>The winch MUST be operated by a suitably trained individual.</p> <p>Those individuals MUST sanitize the following,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cones • Hand control • Emergency Stop Button <p>BEFORE you begin your duty in manoeuvring vessels up the beach and when you have finished your duty.</p> <p>Whoever begins operating the winch must remain with the winch until the last vessel is up the beach and</p>	1	1	1



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	sanitize the above before closing the winch.			
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Hazard / Consequences	Control Procedures	Likelihood (a)	Severity (b)	Risk Ranking (= a x b)
Contracting COVID -19 while sailing with a participant from another household	Those who choose to race in the same vessel with another participant who is from a different household we insist to read the RYA guidance document, details on where to find this are on page 1 of this risk assessment. If the participants spend more than 15 minutes within 1 meter of each other we highly recommend a face covering for the duration of the sail.	1	1	1

	Likelihood		Severity		Priority
1	Highly Unlikely	1	Trivial	1	Urgent action – (Risk no 15 – 25)
2	Unlikely	2	Minor Injury	2	High Priority – (Risk no 10 – 12)
3	Possible	3	Over 3 day Injury	3	Medium Priority – (Risk no 5 – 9)
4	Probable	4	Major Injury	4	Low Priority – Risk no (2 – 4)
5	Certain	5	Incapacity or Death	5	Very Low Priority– No Action required (Risk no 1)



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Further Information

All members are expected to STAY ALERT and take responsibility for their own safety while attending Newhaven and Seaford Sailing Club.