

HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

The Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 imposes certain obligations on the club not only to take all such actions as are reasonable to safeguard the health and safety of their members, but also to be able to show that they are doing so, by producing adequate written policies and procedures.

The Act refers to what is reasonable in given working situations. The Skegness Yacht Club will:

- Assess the risks on the clubs premises.
- Ensure that the premises satisfy health, safety and welfare requirements for ventilation, temperature, lighting and members facilities.
- Ensure safe and clear access to and egress from the building, including fire exits.
- Regularly check the premises room by room for structural defects, worn fixture and fittings or electrical equipment, and take the necessary remedial action.
- Ensure that all equipment is suitable for its intended use and is properly maintained and used.
- Ensure that all members are aware of the fire procedure and regular fire drills are carried out.
- Ensure that all members are aware of the procedure in case of accidents.
- Ensure that all members are aware of and carry out their health and safety responsibilities as set out in this policy.
- Prohibit smoking on the premises.
- Prohibit any contractor working on the premises without prior discussion with the officer in charge to negate any risks to the members or users.
- Provide appropriate protective clothing [if required].

The Management considers this matter of such importance, that breach of Health and Safety procedures by Members constitutes misconduct and will be dealt with as a disciplinary matter.

Members will also be made aware of their responsibilities under the Health and Safety at Work Act and will:

- Take reasonable care of their own health and safety and that of others around them.
- Co-operate with the club on matters of Health and Safety
- Use work equipment correctly

It is not possible to detail here all the health and safety matters that come up on a day-to-day basis, so Members must constantly be mindful of their responsibilities individually and collectively for the safety of themselves and their colleagues.

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