

Sailability NSW - MANLY SAILABILITY

COVID-19 OPERATIONS PROTOCOL- Effective from 16/10/2020

Sailability NSW requires Manly Sailability to ensure that all activities and participants comply with the NSW COVID-19 Public Health Orders as amended from time to time. On 15/10/2020 members of the Sailability NSW State Executive met with Australian Sailing to consider the impact of COVID-19 of Sailability operations, with very positive outcomes. These are listed below, and additionally have been incorporated into the relevant clauses of the operating Instructions.

- ***NSW Public Health Orders (No. 5) now allows those engaged in community sport (competition and training) to be within the 1.5 metre social distancing.***
- All of our sailing activities are either training or racing;
- The members only stipulation is removed;
- At sign-in, **recording each individual's temperatures is required.**
- BBQ and Canteens are still limited to 20 people inside and outside.
- All Hansa 303's or 2.3's are permitted to be sailed single or double handed.
- By signing the COVID Compliance sheet, Individuals who intend to sail 2-up are agreeing that they are willing to sail with another.
- When sailing 2-up, each individual sailor must wear a mask. Volunteers and sailors must change masks and sanitise themselves and equipment at crew changes.

Mr Ken Boyes has been appointed by Manly Sailability Committee as COVID-19 Safety Officer to ensure that

- all people participating are appropriately trained and to ensure that **ALL PARTICIPANTS AT ALL TIMES comply** with our requirements summarised below;
- all activities are conducted, monitored and reviewed to ensure on-going compliance with our approved "Return to Sailing COVID-safe Environment Plan";
- attendance is registered and records maintained to support any Contact Tracking that may be required;
- good hand hygiene is practised before, during and after activities;
- required social distancing is maintained, where practical at all times.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

In order to ensure compliance with current Covid-19 Public Health Orders and to effectively manage risks to participants, **the following strict conditions apply:-**

1. Members of Manly Sailability, as well as participants and guests, may again now participate in our Sailability activities. Disabled members must be accompanied by at least one carer.
 - On arrival, participating members must sanitize hands, then complete and sign the “Manly Sailability COVID -19 Sign-on Declaration Form” and tick all check boxes, as well as completing our normal Sign-on Form. At sign-in, **each individual’s temperature is required to be recorded.**
2. Social distancing of 1.5 metres between people, and one person per four square metres **MUST** apply **wherever practicable**. Each sailing day, before and after use, all keys, locks, door handles, work surfaces on tables together with other gear, tools and equipment must be wiped clean and sanitized with wipes or sprays provided.
3. **Participants should arrive dressed ready to sail**, as use of change rooms or toilets for changing or showering is absolutely forbidden. All changing must be done at home or outside, as wet surfaces in change rooms risk spreading viruses. Apart from access to the boat storeroom and bathrooms/toilets, nobody is allowed inside MYC, other than for the purpose of retrieving and returning boats being sailed or other equipment.
4. Prior to commencement of each day’s sailing activity, all members must attend a short training/revision briefing to remind everybody present of current Public Health Orders.
5. Apart from unloading or returning of boats, no more than two people should be in the boat store when retrieving or replacing sails, lifejackets, furniture and other essential equipment. Safe unloading and replacement of Hansa boats from storage racks requires from three to five people.
6. **Whenever 303’s or 2.3’s are sailed 2-handed, both sailors must wear masks. By sailing together, both sailors have indicated that they accept any risk involved.**
7. Only one boat at a time is to be unloaded and transported to the rigging deck. Space on the deck permits up to four boats being rigged or de-rigged and hosed-down whilst maintaining safe separation.
8. Only two boats may be launched or retrieved at any one time. Although the launch pontoon is sufficiently large to accommodate safe separation of up to eight persons, the movement and transport of boats to and from the pontoon, and the operation of derricks involved in placement and removal of keels, together with mooring operations requires that operations on the pontoon are tightly controlled.

9. Only 2 Hansa boats and the support boat should use separate sides of the pontoon at any one time.
10. Personal PFDs to be used if available. Otherwise, club PFDs must be cleaned and sanitised after use.
11. Members must ensure that hands are sanitized before and after touching any surfaces at the club, including front door, roller door, deck doors, dollies, hoses, toilets and hand basins. Sanitising stations are located at sign-on/off desk, in the rigging area and in the boat room.
12. Shared equipment (joysticks, sheet ropes, life jackets (PFD), etc) must be **cleaned** then **sanitized** at each change of user. A hose or soapy water can be used to clean off sand, dirt etc, then either a sanitizer of 70% alcohol, or an appropriate disinfectant in accordance with manufacturers specifications).
13. The support boat will be maintained on station and VHF radio contact maintained continuously with our on-shore base. Note: crew must periodically wash and sanitize controls and lines, and maintain safe physical distance of 1.5m as far as reasonably practical
14. **If an attendee displays symptoms:**
 - STOP ACTIVITIES;
 - **Mask** the sick person and move away from others;
 - Clean and sanitize all equipment;
 - Recommend they get tested and request notification of results;
 - Make a copy of attendance sheet available for contact tracking;
 - Notify attendees that someone has displayed symptoms;
 - **Notify MYC** and other bookings that activities have been cancelled;
 - Notify all attendees when results are received – whether negative or positive.
15. To ALL Members. Please ensure that you observe these rules if you intend to participate in the activities permitted under current Public Health Orders. If people are found not to have observed these rules, we will have no option but to close all activity. Also please note that members accessing the club do so at their own risk and that the club takes no responsibility if law enforcement officers take a different view.
16. **“GET IN – sanitize - SAIL – sanitize - GET OUT”**
17. **STAY SAFE and HAVE FUN**
18. This updated version has been submitted for review and approval to Sailability NSW Executive on 18th October 2020.