

RYA SQUADS AND CLUBS INFORMATION PACK 2024

Grafham Water Centre RYA Squads and Clubs Information 2024

1. Introduction

Please use this information pack to make sure your trip runs smoothly.

2. Centre Details

Name:

Grafham Water Centre

Website:

www.grafham-water-centre.co.uk

Telephone:

01480 379500

Email:

grafham.water@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

3. Important Phone Numbers

Duty Manager (08:30-17:30):

07551279271

On-Call (17:30-08:30):

07717697686

Main Reception (09:00-17:00):

01480 379500

4. Door Codes

All external door codes you will need will be given on the day of arrival and accommodation codes will be found on the lanyards associated with your accommodation block.

Gates will be locked in the evening around 9pm and opened 8am

5. Our Facilities

- Dinghy park to store your boat during the training
- Two dinghy slipways
- Soft rigging area for windsurfers
- Accommodation (140 beds indoors)

- Small and large lecture rooms with white boards, either a television or projector
- Canteen offering a full catering option
- Changing rooms with showers for male and female, under and over 18 years
- Drying room
- Event Hall for fitness training, rigging, fine tuning boats
- Hire of equipment e.g. Power boats, dinghies.

6. Before and on Arrival

All Coaches/Instructors/Trainers are asked to report to reception or our Duty Manager on arrival.

Coaches/Instructors/Trainers operating from GWC who are not contracted by the RYA, on-site partner or already on our list of approved coaches, will have to register with GWC via this Microsoft form.

7. Evidence Required

All Coaches/Instructors/Trainers are asked to produce evidence of one of the following qualifications

- RYA Powerboat Level 2 or equivalent
- Current First Aid Certificate
- RYA Racing Coach Level 2 or 3 Certificate or equivalent
- Short Range VHF Certificate
- Valid Insurance Certificate (if being employed privately or by an organisation that does not carry appropriate insurance cover)

8. Kit List

The following is a kit list for reference:

- Kill Cord

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- First Aid Kit
- VHF Fixed or Handheld
- Anchor
- Paddle or oars
- Bucket or Bailer
- Towline
- Fire Extinguisher
- Throwline
- Tool kit
- Sharp Knife
- Efficient sound signalling device
- Compass

8. Before going Afloat

All Coaches should:

- Complete risk assessment daily
- Where applicable, ensure a list of emergency contact details is available for all members of the group
- Ensure they have a VHF radio and mobile telephone with them
- Ensure there is a House Parent / responsible adult ashore if you have under 18's in your group.
- Power boat should be equipped for the conditions.
- Kill cords must be worn at all times by the driver when the engine is running
- Driver and crew should wear be wearing a lifejacket or buoyancy aid whilst afloat.

9. Check, Clean, Dry Procedure

In order to comply with Anglian Waters' byelaws for Grafham Water all visiting boats must:

BEFORE ARRIVING at GWC: comply with the CHECK, CLEAN & DRY procedure (see below),

BEFORE LEAVING the site: Wash your boat: wash stations are located at the cruiser park, the main gate, and the boatswain's workshop.

9.1 Check, Clean, Dry Procedure

CHECK: Check your equipment and clothing for living organisms. Pay particular attention to areas that are damp or hard to inspect.

CLEAN: Clean and wash all equipment, footwear and clothes thoroughly, use hot water where possible. If you do come across any organisms, leave them at the water body where you found them. (Cleaning & washing must be done away from GWC when visiting).

DRY: Dry all equipment and clothing some species can live for many days in moist conditions. Make sure you don't transfer water elsewhere.

9.2 Visiting Boats

Visiting boats will be randomly checked on arrival and if found to be in a condition that causes concern, will not be allowed to be brought on site.

9.3 Visiting Boats

Any ribs that have flooding hulls are not allowed to be brought to the club. Engines should be flushed out with hot water before they are brought to GWC.

9.4 Visiting Boats

Trollies and trailers should not be left in the water for any longer than is necessary to launch & recover the boat.

Further information can be found at: <https://www.nonnativespecies.org/what-can-i-do/check-clean-dry/>

STOP THE SPREAD



Are you unknowingly spreading invasive species on your water sports equipment and clothing?

Invasive species can affect fish and other wildlife, restrict navigation, clog up propellers and be costly to manage. You can help protect the water sports you love by following three simple steps when you leave the water.



Check your equipment and clothing for live organisms - particularly in areas that are damp or hard to inspect.

Clean and wash all equipment, footwear and clothing thoroughly.

If you do come across any organisms, leave them at the water body where you found them.

Dry all equipment and clothing - some species can live for many days in moist conditions.

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