

Code of Conduct | Wilsonian SC



As members of Wilsonian Sailing Club, we are committed to creating a safe, respectful, and enjoyable environment for everyone who participates on or off the water.

We expect everyone to abide by the following code of conduct:

- Respect the rights, dignity, and property of others.
- Do not engage in any form of harassment, discrimination, or abuse based on race, gender, age, disability, sexual orientation, religion, or any other protective characteristic defined by law.
- Follow the club rules and byelaws, and any additional code of conduct set by the RYA as an affiliated club.
- Do not endanger yourself or others by sailing under the influence of alcohol or drugs, violating safety procedures, disregarding weather conditions, or in conflict with any standard operating procedures.
- Be courteous and cooperative with other members, club officials including the Chief Duty Officer (CDO), and other duty personnel.
- Do not interfere with other boats or equipment for which you are not authorised to do so, or cause damage to club equipment or facilities.
- Do not remove to temporality borrow any members equipment without the owner's permission as doing so is classed as theft.
- Be responsible and accountable for your actions.
- Report any incidents or concerns to the CDO or General Committee as soon as possible.
- Respect that those giving their time voluntarily in running or managing the club may not do so at the same rate, speed, or experience as you would expect to see.
- Be supportive and encouraging to other members considering their sailing experience on and off the water.
- Share knowledge and skills with others and help them improve their sailing abilities.
- Celebrate achievements and successes of our fellow members.

Instructors should also be aware of the following obligations including those set by the RYA Code of conduct:

- <https://www.rya.org.uk/club-centre-support/training/qualifications/code-of-conduct>
- Instructors should be seen to not only follow but also ensure those participating in training are aware of this code of conduct.
- Instructors have a duty of care towards all students at all times and must respect their requests without fear of intimidation or pressure where the student feels uncomfortable.
- Safeguarding, health and safety are paramount during all courses and related events.
- All instructors are expected to uphold this code of conduct and comply fully with applicable RYA, UK legislation and statutory obligations.