

## ROYAL NORTH OF IRELAND YACHT CLUB

### MEMBERS ACCESS TO CLUB PREMISES - COVID 19

#### ISSUE 2

The protocol for access to vessels currently stored on Club premises, introduced from 22 May, was welcomed by members and has been implemented safely and with due consideration. Essential maintenance is being carried out and social distancing is being achieved. The Committee is now able to facilitate wider access to Club premises. We are pleased to advise that members may now be permitted to bring their vessel to the Club for essential maintenance or leisure sailing, subject to the provisions below and always in keeping with existing government regulations. Guidance on leisure sailing is available on the Club website: <https://www.rniyc.org/policy-for-rniyc-leisure-sailing-covid19/>

In amendment or addition to the guidance given in Issue 1, from 27 May 2020, the following protocol applies.

1. It is necessary, for operational reasons, to control how and where members may store their vessels. Members wishing to bring their vessels to Club premises must have consent to do so and should be aware that consent may be withheld or made on a conditional basis. Requests must be made, giving at least 48 hr. notice, by email to [manager@rniyc.org](mailto:manager@rniyc.org). The request should give some details of the vessel and the reason / duration the member wishes it to be stored on Club premises. The vessel should not be brought to the Club until a positive reply has been provided.
2. Permitted dinghies (up to 5m in length) must be stored in the East yard on trollies or trailers which can easily be moved by hand.
3. Permitted larger vessels must be stored in the West yard on trailers which can be moved by hand or by the tractor. Wheel clamp and tow ball security devices are not permitted except a key is provided for the use of Club volunteers who are managing the yards.
4. In order to allow reasonable access and manoeuvrability in the West yard, no vessel greater than 9m in length will be permitted to be brought on to Club premises.
5. The Club tractor is permitted to be driven ONLY by Frank Haslett, upon a member's personal request to Frank ([captain@rniyc.org](mailto:captain@rniyc.org)) and entirely at his discretion.
6. The Club hoists, crane, RIBs, Dory and launching trollies are not in use for the time-being but this will be kept under review.
7. Leisure sailing is permitted as outlined in the Leisure sailing guidelines using the Club slipway, jetty and yard facilities.
8. At this time the Club does not intend to lay class moorings as per normal practice. Any member who wishes to lay a mooring must contact the Captain.
9. The Clubhouse, toilet and changing rooms remain closed.

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