



## RS TERA HIRE POLICY

The primary purpose of the Tera is for training/teaching purposes, it will not have organised racing. They can be sailed by two youngsters and even by a smaller adult and child.

### Conditions of use:

**1. Age** - under 16 must be supervised by an adult of suitable experience either in the boat or in a supporting motor boat.

1.1 The boat is for club members. Guests or visitors may be offered it, at the discretion of the Sailing Manager or Club Secretary.

1.2 A maximum of 2 adults or 1 adult and 1 child may be on board the boat.

**2. Ability**- The hirer, or their instructor or guide, should be of RYA level 2 (adult) or RYA stage 3 (youth) standard, or have had similar experience. Thus someone in the boat must be able to:

- Rig according to the weather conditions including reefing
- Launch and recover the boat in all wind directions
- Confident tacking and gybing
- Sail on all points of sail
- Come along side moored boat
- Capsize and right the boat
- Understand basic rules of road
- Recover a man overboard
- Understand basic tides. Springs, neaps, ebb and flow
- Meteorology – understand basic weather and wind forecasts

**3.** Hirers who do not have relevant experience must engage one of the Club's qualified instructors, or sail with an experienced person approved by the office. A list of instructors is available from the office.

**4. Availability** - Bookings should be made in advance via the office. If the boat is available bookings can be made on the day.

4.1 Bookings can be made for half or full day slots – morning slots from 9.15 until 1.00 afternoon slots from 1.15 until 16.45. Evening slots may be available- ask at the office. The boat is available to hire all year round on days the Club Office is open.

4.2 Booking will require the following information: Name of the hirer: names of those on board: time in / out: estimated time of return, passage details.

**5.0 Hire Fees** - There is a hire fee of £10 is required for a half day hire and £20 for a full day hire payment is required at the time of booking see also the insurance note at 14 below.

5.1 Stage Berth fees, Harbour Dues and general maintenance will be paid by the club.

**6.0 Handover** – On commencement of hire, report to the office and sign this agreement. If under 16 then the hirer's parent or guardian must sign. The handover form will include confirmation as to condition of the boat.

**7.Tuning** - . Fittings and equipment must not be removed or changed on the boat.

**8.0 Sailing Area** – The boat is limited to the sailing area to the north of East Head Spit, east of Johns Folly race mark, south of Star racing mark, and the reach west of Itchenor SC. The area up to Dell Quay may be used by agreement with the office. Details of the passage must be reported to the office as part of the hire agreement.

**9.0 Weather Conditions** – The boat will not be permitted to launch in wind gusts or forecasts of 20 knots and above, or in poor visibility.

**10.0 Clothing and Buoyancy** – Buoyancy aids must be worn by everyone on board and suitable clothing for the conditions must be worn.

**11.0 Returns** – The boat must be returned to its berth, washed down and stowed away neatly and free of any personal belongings and the boat signed in by the return time agreed.

**12.0 Damage and Loss** - Any damage or loss must be reported to the office at the end of the session. The boat will be checked by the Sailing manager and will record any damage and/or loss.

**13.0 Insurance** - The boat is insured on the club policy against physical loss or damage and third party liability. In the event of damage or loss of equipment, or third party liability, resulting in an insurance claim, regardless of fault, the excess fee of £100 is payable by the hirer. The hirer will also assist in replacing broken parts.

**14.0 Disclaimer of liability** - The hirer and all users of the boat, use the boat and facilities entirely at their own risk and accept that:

The club will not accept liability for any damage or loss of property or belonging to the hirer or any other user. The club will not accept any liability for personal injury arising from the use of the boat, whether sustained by the hirer or other users, or caused by the said hirer or users. Whether or not such damage or injury could have been attributed or contributed to or has occasioned by neglect, defect or negligence of any of them, the officers, committee, members or servants of the club. The club does not provide on the water cover during the period of hire.