



Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club

Physical Distancing and Sanitation Directive

USE OF CLUB SHARKS

Part 1 Objectives and Guiding Principles

This Directive applies to the use of the Club Shark keelboats and is issued based on requirements issued by the government of Quebec and Voile Québec to minimize the risk associated with COVID-19.

1. Should a member observe that another person at the Club is not respecting a requirement of this guideline, it is acceptable to politely and respectfully ask that person to conform to our requirements. Should the issue not be resolved we ask the member to communicate with our Club Manager, Mr. Florin Tosun, or the Assistant Manager, Mr. David Fleet. Both have full authority from the Commodore and the Executive Committee of the Club to enforce this Directive.
2. **Do not, under any circumstances, come to the Club if you have any symptoms of COVID-19 or if you are living with a person who has such symptoms. If you are under a government mandated self isolation period, you are required to complete it before coming to the Club.**
3. If you have a condition whereby you are **immunosuppressed** or have a **chronic illness**, you should consult your physician or the web site at the Institut National de Santé Publique (<https://www.inspq.qc.ca/>) which has extensive information, to help you decide if you should come to the Club.
4. In keeping with the latest best practices, **everyone coming to the Club must carry a face covering and wear it over the nose and mouth should you be unable to stay 2 metres or six feet from another person.** This is to protect your fellow Club members and staff, should you **unknowingly** be a carrier of the virus. Note that wearing a face covering while working on your boat is always a best practice!
5. All government mandated physical distancing and sanitation measures must be fully complied with when you come to the Club and use the Sharks.
6. The three most basic requirements that everyone must respect when at the Club are:
 - a. Maintain six feet or two metres distance from each other.
 - b. Wash your hands frequently and thoroughly (minimum 20 seconds with soap and warm water) or use hand sanitizer.
 - c. Wear a face covering over the nose and mouth when required by these directives or when you are not able to maintain the required physical distancing.



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7. The Club may post specific directives on notice boards at the Club and on the grounds. Please look out for, read, and respect them.

Part 2 Making a reservation to use a Shark

Registered Shark users who have signed the 2020 Shark User agreement are required to acknowledge receipt of and read this Directive. Make sure you have read this directive before reserving. By making a reservation, you agree to abide by this Directive.

To reserve a Shark, please use the reservation system available on our website. Once the Shark User Agreement is received please sign it, so our Chairman, Instructional Sailing, Shark and Race Programs can confirm you as an approved Shark User. Your name will be added to the Certified Shark User list, which will offer you the access to reserve the Sharks.

Note that each boat is reserved for the entire day, odd numbered boats for odd calendar days and vice versa.

Remember that everyone on each Shark must be living at the same address.

Part 3 Using the Sharks

A 48 hours rotation will be used for our sharks, which will be controlled through the reservation system.

We ask that your sailing party be self sufficient and capable of leaving the dock and returning to the dock without assistance from anyone else. On returning to the dock, you should not request assistance in docking from anyone who is not in your sailing party.

The Shark you have reserved will have been sanitized after its last use.

When you have finished your day of sailing, please loosely flake the foresails, and leave them in the cabin, with the three corners exposed. The mainsail should be kept on the boom, but the cover should not be installed. The cover should be left in the cabin, spread out so that it can be sanitized when the cabin is fogged.

Jib, and spinnaker sheets, if used, should remain secured and neatly stored on deck and exposed to the elements.

A Club employee will disinfect the boat and sails using a portable fogger, after you have left the boat.



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Part 4 Access to Club Buildings and Bathrooms

The Club washrooms are accessible as of July 1st, during the posted office opening hours.

Part 5 Docks, and going on the Water

1. When accessing the docks and piers please follow these rules:
 - a. **On Hynes and Forbes piers and Stevens jetty:** These piers and jetty are not wide enough to safely permit physical distancing for people traveling in opposite directions. To maintain physical distancing and avoid an accidental swim in the harbour, when persons walking in opposite directions meet, priority is given to the person heading towards the shore. The give-way person shall step out of the way onto the closest finger pier to let the priority person pass. **To help remember these rules: they are inspired by the rules of navigation! Keep to the right and a vessel leaving the harbour must give way to a vessel entering the harbour!**
 - b. As most boats share a finger pier, members are kindly requested to use common sense and take turns, to maintain physical distancing rules.
 - c. In all cases, please remember to keep to the right when walking on piers and jetties.
 - d. Every member must sanitize common trolleys before and after using them.

Part 6 Enforcement

All members shall comply with these directives with civility and politeness to others. The Club reserves the right to warn anyone for non respect of these directives, insist that they be followed and expel from the property anyone not respecting them.

Should you have any questions or concerns please call our Club Manager or Assistant Manager.

Part 7 Hold Harmless

Due to the unique nature of this pandemic, all who visit the Club and/or use a Shark must recognize that collectively we are doing our best and the club, its employees and its members cannot be held liable should anyone fall sick of COVID-19 or a related illness, after coming to the Club.