

CODE OF CONDUCT for Key Holders of OUWC 2009/10

"Windsurfers have nothing without trust for each other" (Churchill)

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- 1.0 Introduction
 - 1.1 Possession of a key to the container at Farmoor reservoir allows you to use club equipment or personal equipment at Farmoor and to windsurf independently of other club members.
 - 1.2 A number of rules concerning safety, security and the maintenance of equipment must be complied with. These are set out below.
- 2.0 Safety and Governing Body Recommendations
 - 2.1 Key Holders must be competent windsurfers able to windsurf safely without supervision. They must be a minimum of RYA Intermediate standard. Or certified to be this standard by the president.
 - 2.2 Key Holders agree not to windsurf in conditions beyond their ability or to use equipment that is not suitable for their ability. In particular short boards must not be used unless the sailor can water start competently.
 - 2.3 It is the responsibility of the individual to ensure that any equipment they use is in working order. In particular mast feet and should be checked.
 - 2.4 It is the responsibility of the individual to bring to the attention of the Committee any known medical condition or previous injuries that may affect their safe participation within the sport. If the issue is of a sensitive nature, then this MUST be raised via the Area Safety Officer, Mr Richard Dodsworth, at the University Sports Dept
 - 2.5 Key Holders must be individual windsurfing members of the RYA. This provides third party liability insurance.
 - 2.6 Key holders will familiarise themselves with and follow the RYA recommendations with respect to safe conduct for windsurfers.
- 3.0 Adherence to Oxford Sailing Club (Farmoor) rules.
 - 3.1 Key holders agree to abide by the rules of OSC. In particular:
 - 3.2 Membership vests must be worn on the water at all times. They must be returned to the container after use.
 - 3.3 Either a buoyancy aid or a harness must be worn at all times when on the water.
 - 3.4 All vehicles must be parked in the car park and not left by the reservoir.

4.0 Security

- 4.1 The OUWC container is the furthest large red container from the clubhouse. We share the container with Oxford University Sailing Club, and occupy the back half of the container.
- 4.2 Key holders agree only to use club equipment and their own personal equipment. It is their responsibility to ensure that they understand which equipment belongs to OUWC.
- 4.3 Key holders agree to lock the container at all times, even for short periods of time. There have been a number of thefts from the container in recent months and key holders will be held responsible for any stolen equipment.
- 4.4 Key holders must notify the President, John Lyle, of any damage to club equipment.
- 4.5 Personal Equipment is kept at Farmoor at the Key Holder's own risk. OUWC accepts no responsibility for loss or damage to personal equipment.
- 4.6 Any person found to be abusing the above rules will have their access removed without refund.

5.0 Contact:

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6.0 Declaration

As a Key Holder for OUWC I am aware of my moral and legal obligations to my fellow Club members.

I have read, understand and agree to abide by the rules of the Club Constitution, Code of Conduct, Code of Conduct for Key Holders, Risk Assessment and RYA guidelines.

I am a windsurfing member of the RYA.

Signed.....

Date: __/__/__