

## **BYE-LAWS OF THE NATIONAL YACHT CLUB**

The following are Bye-Laws which have been laid down by the General Committee under Rule 32 of the Rules of the National Yacht Club.

1. All members must pay for every expense they incur at the Club at the time when it is incurred unless otherwise authorised by the General Committee.
2. A Member bringing a guest or guests into the Club shall enter his or her own name and the name and address of the guest or guests in the visitor's book kept for the purpose and which will show the date of each visit.
3. No notices shall be posted in the Clubhouse, nor shall any books or papers be introduced (save for private perusal) without the sanction of the General Committee or the Honorary Secretary.
4. No member shall take any book, newspaper or other article the property of the Club without the permission of the General Committee or the Honorary Secretary save in line with the borrowing procedures applying to the Club Library.
5. Talking on mobile phones is not permitted in the bar or the dining room. The use of laptops, tablets and other such devices is permitted on the Club premises outside the bar and dining room areas.
6. Photography and Videography is to be used in strict accordance with ISA Code of Ethics Good Practice for Childrens activities V16.1. Members are not permitted to publish or share any images taken within the Club on social media without the express consent of any subject captured in those images.
7. Racks are provided in the ground floor corridor for the short-term deposit of sailing bags etc., on sailing days for the convenience of members. These racks may not be used for long-term storage or for the storage of sails, boat gear or tools etc. On no account may sailing bags etc., be left unattended on the upper floor or in the cloakroom. The Committee may remove offending articles and the Club accepts no liability for articles lost or stolen from such racks, from the changing rooms or from elsewhere on the Club premises.
8. Neat dress should be worn in the bar and dining room at all times. The wearing of sailing gear (oil skins, sea boots, etc.) in the bar or dining room is absolutely prohibited at all times.
9. Members and their guest must treat other members and staff with dignity and respect and do nothing to offend other members or guests, generally in accordance with the rules of good behaviour as specified in government of Ireland rules for public offices.
10. Foul language and threatening behaviour is not allowed on the club premises or on the water in club competitions.
11. Children under 16 years of age are permitted on the Club premises including the balcony and platform at any time up to 21:00 hours under the direct supervision of their parents and or a Junior Section supervisor who shall be responsible for their conduct and safety at all times.

12. Members and their guests shall at all times co-operate with Staff in ensuring the Club's adherence to the Licencing Laws as they apply to Sports Clubs with specific regard to the minimum permitted age for consumption of alcohol and closing times for service of alcohol.
13. In order to comply with our licencing requirements children are not permitted in the main bar after 21:00 hours however children between 12 and 16 years of age accompanied by their parents may be in the main bar prior to or while dining with their parents, during which time they must be supervised by their parents.
14. Snooker Regulations as posted in the Snooker Room form part of these Bye-Laws.
15. Members intending to collect monies for charity on the premises must request permission from the Honorary Secretary.
16. Members shall not send Club staff away from the premises on messages or errands including returning boats to their moorings during their working hours.
17. Members shall not reprimand other members or Club staff. If a member considers another member is in breach of Club Rules or of these Bye-Laws or has misbehaved in any way, such misbehaving may in the first instance be drawn to the attention of the Manager or a Committee Member and/or a complaint in writing may be made to the Hon Secretary. Such complaint will be referred by the Hon Secretary in the first instance to the Membership Committee or to the General Committee as appropriate.

Any complaint against a member of staff should be made to the Club Manager or failing resolution by the Manager to the Honorary Secretary.

**Peter Sherry**

**Honorary Secretary**

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