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Orwell Yacht Club Vessel Guidelines

Guidelines - Acceptable Vessels

1.0 The following guidelines will be used by the Management Committee and the Club's Officers when considering the suitability of vessels for use at the Club.

- (a) *Sailing cruisers capable of being recovered or launched by the present, (January 2021), straddle carrier and no greater than 35'-0" (10.7 metres) L.O.A. (This will apply irrespective of the owner's desire to make use of the straddle carrier);*
- (b) *Sailing cruisers, that are unsuitable for being recovered or launched by the straddle carrier, by reason of design, draft or weight but do not exceed the physical limitations or capabilities of the Club's other plant, equipment or facilities;*
- (c) *Sailing dinghies no greater than 16'-0" (4.9 metres) L.O.A. and using an auxiliary engine no greater than 9.9hp. Dinghies over 16'-0" will be treated as a sailing cruiser;*
- (d) *Displacement or semi displacement motor boats no greater than 35'-0" (10.7m) L.O.A.;*
- (e) *Tenders up to a maximum L.O.A. of 10'-0" (3.0 metres).*

For the avoidance of doubt '*plant, equipment or facilities*' includes the dolphin, the landing/loading facilities at the end of the tuning fork and the temporary mooring posts.

1.2 The size limitation of such craft that are unsuitable for being recovered or launched by the straddle carrier, by reason of design, draft or weight should normally be no greater than 40'-0" (12.2 metres LOA). This would allow for the more traditional boats which may have extended bowsprits or counters.

1.3 In practice, the decision as to whether a sailing cruiser, sailing dinghy, motorboat, or tender, would be acceptable would ultimately rest with the Management Committee advised by the Bank Master and Mooring Master. Members should therefore seek appropriate advice on the suitability of their intended vessel and ensure that it falls within the guidelines, before they commit themselves to a particular vessel, if they are in any doubt.

2.0 For the avoidance of doubt these guidelines will not apply retrospectively. However, they will apply to Members re-joining and to Members who wish to change their boat.

2.1 The following non-exhaustive list of vessels are likely to be unacceptable:-

- Ski boats.
- PWC's (personal water craft, popularly known as jet skis, jet bikes etc.).
- Catamarans - Non-demountable multihulls with a fixed overall beam greater than 12' (3.65m) with an overall beam greater than 12'-0". (This would avoid loss of space on the wall).
- Wind surfing boards.
- Kite boards.