

WFWSC Rules of Conduct

The Club Conduct Rules have been developed to ensure the safety of all the river users and in the hope that by establishing a good standard of behavior we can ensure the continued use of the river for water skiing. The Club Management Committee can penalize members breaking any of the published rules under a 12 point penalty system. Any members collecting 12 points in a club membership year will be banned from the club for a year and will have to make a new application for membership.

Any club member of Crouch Harbour Authority Official may report a member breaking the conduct rules to the Management Committee. Depending on the circumstances points may be issued or the boat number noted for future observance. Appeals against penalty points may be made to the committee in ensuring compliance to the club conduct rules rests with the boat owner. It will be that person who collects the points unless the driver can be positively identified as another member of the club.

Description	Points	
1	Paragliding/Parascending on the Crouch is prohibited by the river bye-laws.	12
2	Any member, found driving a boat whilst towing a skier without a valid SBDA, unless being supervised by a club member with a valid SBDA undertaking training towards an SBDA test.	12
3	Any member allowing a non-member the use of their allocated key or a duplicate key, to enable unauthorised access to club facilities will be disqualified.	10
4	Driving in a reckless manner likely to cause injury.	10
5	There must be an observer in the boat at all times when towing. An observer must be capable of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpret signals from the skier • Understands the safety rules of the sport • Could take charge of the vessel in an emergency 	10
6	Positioning of boat passengers outside of the cockpit area	10
7	Skiing in unauthorised areas including back creeks.	10
8	Jet Skis and Wet Bikes are not to be used by members in the Brandy Hole / Clements Green Creek ski areas and / or launched from the club compound.	10

9	Abuse of club premises or property.	10
10	All club boats must have current year Decals, and boat numbers clearly affixed on both sides of the hull at all times, even if you do not intend to ski. No Decals & Numbers = No launch	10
11	Only one boat is allowed to use Clements Green Creek at a time. All other Boats must be moored at the pontoon awaiting their turn. Each boat has a maximum of six passes of the slalom course or the equivalent time before giving way to another Boat. All boats wishing to use the Creek must approach the pontoon off the plane, 'NO WAKE' and await their turn.	8
12	Non compliance with other River bye-laws especially the 8 knot speed limit through all restricted areas.	8
13	Ski-lines must be recovered immediately if not in use. Under no circumstances must you approach a downed skier on the plane with a trailing ski line.	8
14	Conduct by members that might cause offence to other river users or contrary to the interest of the club. Consideration must be given to all river users especially small tenders, sail craft and fishermen as they may not be as well equipped as you to cope with tides or wash from power boats. If you have the choice, give them as much clearance as you can in the interest of safety and goodwill.	8
15	Skiing on the main river at Brandy Hole must be only in an anti-clockwise direction when more than one boat is using the area.	3
16	Training booms must not be installed whilst travelling through 8 knot speed limit areas.	2
17	Third party insurance cover must be to a minimum of £2,000,000 with specific cover of water skiers.	2
18	Buoyancy aids should be worn at all time, especially by Children (bye law).	2
19	Members must enter the details of their guests in the guest book upon arrival.	2

These updated and revised Rules of Conduct were approved at the AGM Held on Friday 1st February 2008