

Sailing Committee Constitution

1. Election of the sailing Committee:-

1.1 Rear Commodore Sailing (RCS) is elected to the management committee at the annual general meeting each year or co-opted by the management committee as described by the current Carsington Sailing Club articles.

1.2 Sailing Committee Secretary (SCS) will be proposed by the RCS, prior to the first sailing committee meeting and will be approved by the majority vote at the 1st sailing committee.

1.3 General Sailing Committee members will be elected by the following method and called "fleet captains".

1.3.1 Fleets can only be represented on the sailing committee if they hold fleet status as described in 2.1.

1.3.2 Fleet captains need to be proposed and seconded in writing by a minimum of 2 members of their own fleet, after the RCS and the Sailing Committee Secretary (SCS) have confirmed fleet eligibility as described in 2.1.

1.3.3 The fleet captain should be confirmed by both RCS and the SCS before being given a fleet captain position.

1.3.4 If there is more than one candidate for each fleet captain position the position will be granted to the nominee with the most supporting own fleet members signatures on their nomination form.

1.4 RCS may co-opt sailing committee members as appropriate with the agreement of the SCS.

1.5 Sailing Committee membership is subject to management approval.

2. Fleet status,

2.1 Fleet status is given to fleets that qualify as described in 2.2 and 2.3.

2.2 Qualification for fleet status is applied to fleets that:-

2.2.1. Have more than 35 boats of the same class registered on the Carsington sailing club membership database, or

2.2.2. Have 3 or more boats of the same type qualifying in 2 series over the last 12 months.

2.3 Permanent fleet positions on the sailing committee will be appointed as follows: - Fast, Medium, Slow, Catamaran, asymmetric, Cruiser, Training, Youth and Sailability. These should be elected as described in 1.3 above. These positions may also be covered by other serving general sailing committee members.

3. Sailing Committee Constitution review and approval

3.1 The sailing Committee Constitution should be reviewed and amended if necessary by the RCS following their election at the AGM, and then proposed to the management committee for approval at the next available management committee meeting.

4. Rules governing the sailing committee must be adhered to and are clearly laid down in the sailing committee manual.

5. Sailing committee voting rules.

5.1 SCS and co-opted members will not have voting rights on the sailing committee.

5.2 RCS will not vote on any issue unless a casting vote is required.

5.3 Qualifying fleet captains will have voting rights.

6. All decisions and actions of the Sailing Committee will be made in accordance with the Rules and Articles of Carsington Sailing Club and the RYA Sailing Charter.

7. The Sailing Committee may raise working groups as required, which may co-opt members from **outside** the Sailing Committee.