

Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club

Conditions of membership



I agree to abide by the rules of Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club Inc. outlined but not limited to the constitution, member protection policy, sailing instructions and other policies published on the club's website lcsc.org.au.

I recognise that Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club Inc. is a non-profit organization based solely on volunteer effort and that, as a member of the Club, I am expected to volunteer for some of its support roles. I will offer to contribute where my skills and lifestyle best fit in with club needs.

I acknowledge that my participation in any club activity is at my own risk and I hereby release Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club Inc., its members, officers, servants and agents from all claims, costs and demands arising from the acceptance of this application and the participation of myself or my child in club activities.

I acknowledge that I have read and understood the **risk warning** below.

I acknowledge that I have understood and will abide by the **boat storage policy** below if I store a boat at the club.

As parent/guardian of a child under the age of 18 years I give permission for my child listed in the membership registration to participate in club activities.

Risk warning

This RISK WARNING is issued by Lake Cootharaba Sailing Club Inc. (LCSC) to all persons wishing to participate in any regattas, races or other events at LCSC.

Participants are warned that, regardless of the precautions, which might be taken by reasonable and experienced persons, sailing can be a dangerous pursuit and participants are exposed to significant risk of property damage, physical harm and possibly death.

As an indication, these risks may include, but are not limited to:

- a) The extremes of weather and lake conditions.
- b) The potential that control of vessels may be lost, resulting in collision with objects and other vessels.
- c) The sudden movement of the vessel at any time and the possibility that participants may fall or be thrown overboard, resulting in drowning.
- d) The possibility that participants may be injured by equipment on the vessel, with possible damage and injuries.
- e) The possibility of unreasonable, dangerous or negligent behaviour by other participants causing damages or injuries.
- f) The possibility of submerged objects in the lake causing collisions with the vessel.
- g) The absence of immediate medical care and the likelihood that significant delays may occur before medical care is available.**
- h) Exposure to the elements for extended periods.

LCSC also warns participants that regardless of their best intentions, they may be unable to render assistance to participants who are in distress.

Participants are warned to consider the above risks and all other risks before deciding to participate in any sailing event at LCSC.

Boat storage policy

1. Storage is available to financial members of LCSC only. This does not include Social Members.
2. All boats stored on LCSC Inc. premises are stored at the risk of the boat owner.
3. Storage shall be allocated at the discretion of the Boat Housing Officer.
4. The Boat Housing Officer, as directed by the Executive Committee has the power to instruct members not actively involved with the Club to move their boat/s when space is required for active members seeking boat housing.
5. If there is a residual after a boat is relocated, a refund may be given at the discretion of the Executive Committee.
6. Boats stored on the club premises if dinghies/cats are required to comply with Australian Sailing Special Regulations part 2 and, if a trailer sailer, to comply with AS Special Regulations Part 1 Category 6 <https://www.sailingresources.org.au/safety/specialregs/>.
7. Storage will be available primarily for sailing vessels. The Executive Committee may permit storage for other boats or vehicles.
8. The Top Shed will be solely for the use of members regularly involved in club racing.
9. Boats stored in the Top Shed and Yard must be on currently registered and fully functioning trailers.
10. No major repairs or restorations are permitted on club storage premises.
11. When written notice is given to any boat owner to remove a boat in club storage, the owner must comply within 30 days. Otherwise, the Executive may dispose of the boat as they see fit.
12. Boat owners should ensure that covers etc should be rigged so as to avoid the pooling of water which can provide breeding ground for mosquitoes.