



Welsh Sea Rowing Boat Loan Terms and Conditions

A WSR Boats

1. The Welsh Sea Rowing (WSR) loan longboat is identified as boat number 73, coloured white, named Ysbryd y Mor.
2. The Welsh Sea Rowing (WSR) development longboat is identified as boat number 115, coloured white, double gated, named (no name as yet).
3. Each WSR longboat is provided with 4 oars and a road trailer.
4. The WSR coastal double scull is identified as a yellow double scull.
5. The WSR coastal double scull is provided with 4 oars and a road trailer.
6. The WSR coastal quad scull is identified as a yellow coastal quad scull.
7. The WSR coastal quad scull is provided with 8 oars and a road trailer.
8. The WSR boats & equipment are insured by the WSR.
9. Third party liability insurance is provided by affiliation with the WSR.
10. WSR boats are normally based in Aberystwyth but will be stored at various WSR affiliated club locations during each year.

B Eligibility

1. All sea rowing clubs affiliated to WSR are entitled to request a loan of a WSR longboat, coastal double scull or coastal quad scull. Non-affiliated clubs are not entitled to a loan of any WSR boats¹.
2. Clubs intending to request use of the WSR boats must have paid all affiliation fees and submitted a membership list to the WSR secretary.
3. In the event of more than one club expressing an interest in use of a WSR boat, new clubs without equipment will be given priority on a first come first served basis, with an initial loan period of 2 months (except 'Celtic Longboat 115' as this is a development boat that new clubs situated on undeveloped parts of the Welsh coastline have priority allocation based on a loan period of 6 months).
4. Applications will be considered by the nominated WSR official (Chair) and loan periods negotiated with interested clubs.

C Use of WSR boats

1. WSR boats may only be used by club members affiliated with WSR. Non-members may use the WSR boats on up to 2 occasions before membership is required and this is subject to current insurance stipulations.
2. The WSR longboats MUST always be coxed by a responsible adult. The cox MUST be an affiliated member of WSR.
3. Use of WSR boats is subject to local risk assessment before each use.
4. WSR boats may be used for all reasonable training in the usual training locations of the club as agreed with the WSR official at the commencement of the loan.
5. WSR boats may be used in any WSR affiliated race (league or non-league).
6. For use in non-affiliated races, specific permission of the nominated WSR official is required (e.g. Great River Race, Cork Ocean to City, Head of the Taff, etc.).

¹ As per WSR Executive Meeting April 2017, it was agreed that to encourage new clubs to form and try our sport, the WSR would cover the cost of club affiliation for that new club, for their first affiliation year only. Affiliation paperwork would still be required for that club, and individual rower affiliation to be paid. WSR boats can then be loaned.

7. The WSR boats are expected to be used with the appropriate oars and trailer provided. If the boat is towed on an alternative trailer, this must be agreed by the nominated WSR official. The trailer must be fit for purpose and road legal.
8. During the loan period the WSR boat is the responsibility of the agreed club. The boat and associated equipment must be stored in a secure fashion either inside a locked building or trailers can be secured with the use of a wheel locking device – whichever is appropriate.
9. Damage to the boat and associated equipment, beyond reasonable wear and tear, is the responsibility of the hiring club. Damage must be rectified by the club by the end of the hire period. Damage identified at the end of the hire period will be repaired by WSR and the costs of repair transferred to the hiring club.
10. Reasonable care to reduce wear and tear should be taken when using the WSR boat. Damage caused by dragging the boat will not be considered wear and tear and the cost of repair will be the responsibility of the hiring club.
11. Boats should be correctly secured when towing on road. Damage to the boat during road towing is the responsibility of the hiring club. Boats should only be towed on the WSR trailer, except where previously agreed. Third party damage during towing is entirely the responsibility of the vehicle driver.

D Loan Agreements

1. Loan of the WSR longboats is subject to a charge of £10 per week*.
2. Loan of the WSR coastal double scull is subject to a charge of £10.00 per week*.
3. Loan of the WSR coastal quad scull is subject to a charge of £15.00 per week*.
4. The date of boat use will be agreed in advance through the nominated league official.
5. Boats will usually be collected on the agreed date (at an arranged time) from the current loanee club or via the current storage location of the boat - whichever is appropriate.
6. There will be a nominated member of the WSR committee who will keep a record of all loans including dates of loan period, affiliated club, club officials responsible for loaned boat, monies paid, monies owed, condition of boats including damage and wear and tear.
7. The WSR official will check the condition of the hired boat upon start of loan period and at the end of the loan period. The condition of the boat will be agreed with the hiring club and all information reported back to the WSR Secretary to keep paperwork updated.
8. Completion of the loan agreement form is a requirement of the loan of any WSR boat. The contact details of a nominated club official are required for all communication regarding the WSR boat.
9. The initial loan period will be for 8 weeks. After this period, the boat should be returned to a previously agreed storage location with the WSR official.
10. At the end of the 8-week period the loan period may be extended if no other clubs have requested use of the boat. This should be arranged with the nominated WSR official at least 2 weeks prior to the end of the loan agreement. Extensions will be on a 4-week basis.
11. If no extension is agreed, the boat should be returned to a previously agreed storage location with the WSR official at the end of the loan agreement at an agreed time.
12. In circumstances where the location of the next club to hire the boat is significantly more convenient than a previously agreed storage location with the WSR official, the boat may be transferred directly to that club. This may only be arranged with the agreement of the nominated WSR official. Both clubs must submit full records of the condition of the boat including photos of the entire boat and associated equipment upon transfer in the absence of a WSR official.
13. Failure to return the WSR boat on the agreed date will result in a financial penalty of £250, and £50 per week thereafter.

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* It was agreed in the WSR Executive Meeting January 2017 that a half price winter rate can be applied to the months of November, December, January and February. WSR official(s) can also agree for clubs to use boats free of charge if they have performed storage duties for WSR boats whilst not on a current loan agreement.