

Maidenhead Rowing Club Terms and Conditions of Membership

I agree to:

- Conform to the club's rules and bye-laws
- Adhere to British Rowing's RowSafe advice ([RowSafe - British Rowing](#)) and [Maidenhead Rowing Club's Safety Plan](#) and make safety paramount, both on and off the water at all times
- Support the club and represent the club to the best of my abilities
- Help with a reasonable and fair share of activities towards running the club, including the 2 bi-annual workdays and 2 regattas
- Allow my details to be held on the club's membership database ([BR's ClubHub](#)) and keep these up to date (see Data Protection note below)
- Allow my rowing history to be verified with other clubs and with British Rowing (BR)
- Notify the membership secretary if I wish to terminate my membership

I understand that:

- Full Adult membership is on an annual basis from 1 June to 31 May, of which no part is refundable.
- Full Junior membership is also on an annual basis from 1 September to 31 August, of which no part is refundable.
- The club has insurance cover for its boats while being used by fully paid-up members, but that I should contact my own insurer if I require personal accident cover.

I certify that:

- My health is my own responsibility, and I have read and understand the health note below.
- (Active rowers only) I am a competent swimmer and able to swim AT LEAST 50 METRES in light clothing.

Health Note: Regular exercise may include some risk, especially for those who have been sedentary. Before beginning a regular exercise programme, you should consult your doctor if you: are over 40 years of age and have not done any regular exercise for the past 5 years; smoke; have high blood pressure/cholesterol; have any signs/symptoms of any disease; experience chest pains/dizziness/loss of consciousness; are recovering from a serious illness or surgery; have a pacemaker or another implanted electronic device; have any other concerns about your ability to undertake regular exercise. Please let your coach know if you are under doctor's advice regarding exercise.

Club Officers

Please note that club officers are unpaid volunteers, elected by the membership. Subscriptions pay for the costs of running the club and, where possible, buying new boats.

Code of Conduct & Safeguarding

Maidenhead Rowing Club (MRC) is fully aligned and compliant with the British Rowing (BR) Code of Conduct on the [BR website](#), as well as the other guideline documents published on their [Safeguarding webpage](#).

By becoming a member or renewing my membership, I confirm my own compliance with these codes and guidelines.

The taking and use of photographs of members

There will be instances when photos or videos are taken for training and publicity purposes. MRC is very aware of the sensitivity of this issue, particularly where junior members and adults at risk are involved. MRC undertakes to comply with British Rowing's guidelines outlined in their [Safeguarding Handbooks](#).

By becoming a member or renewing my membership, or as the parent or guardian of a Junior Member, I confirm my own compliance with these guidelines.

Welfare

MRC takes safeguarding seriously and has a Club Welfare Officer as mandated by British Rowing. As part of the safe running of the club MRC ensures all coaches and adults involved in the supervision of juniors and adults at risk are checked by the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS).

Boat Racks

Members with a boat rack at MRC will abide by the [Private Rack Policy](#) detailed on the MRC website and agree to the following additional terms and conditions of membership.

I take responsibility for:

- Arranging my own boat insurance
- Naming my boat in accordance with the Environment Agency's (EA's) rules
- Obtaining my own boat licence from the EA, either by using the BR [ClubHub](#) system or direct from the EA.

I understand that:

- My boat is stored at my own risk, and the club cannot accept any liability for any loss or damage to it, howsoever caused
- The club reserves the right, after giving prior notice, to move a boat to a storage rack if it is not being used regularly, and to reallocate the accessible rack to another member on the waiting list
- If a member leaves the club and doesn't remove their boat or pay their rack fees, the club reserves the right to remove the boat to a storage rack and then dispose of the boat if the owner can't be contacted or doesn't respond to communications. Any money raised will be used to cover the costs of racking the boat.

Data Protection

MRC is committed to protecting and respecting your privacy. The Club's [Privacy Statement](#) sets out how the information that it collects and/or received from members is used and protected, in accordance with the UK Data Protection Act 2018. The Club's Privacy Policy, including your rights as a data subject, can be found [here](#).

Members can access their own personal data online by logging into the club's online membership system ([BR's ClubHub](#)), accessible from the website. It is the responsibility of each individual member to ensure their own personal data is accurate and up to date. The Club cannot be held responsible for errors in the accuracy of any data provided by its members.

Queries regarding your membership should be addressed to:
membership@maidenheadrc.org.uk

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