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### Application and Election to Membership

There are six categories of member:

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| 1 | Full         | Person over 25 at 1 January   |
| 2 | Full 18 – 25 | Person between the ages of 18 and 25 at 1 January and not in full-time education  |
| 3 | Family       | Couples with or without children under 18.<br><i>A child within a Family membership is referred to as a 'Family Cadet'.</i>   |
| 4 | Student      | Person over-18 in full time education   |
| 5 | Cadet        | Children under-18 at 1 January who are not part of a Family membership.<br>A cadet member remains a cadet until the end of the calendar year of their 18th birthday.<br>A parent or guardian must sign cadets' application forms. |
| 6 | Temporary    | Membership for a single period of up to four weeks.   |

To apply for membership categories 1 – 5 please send an "Application for Membership" form to The Membership Secretary, Mrs Frances Alexander, Pine Trees, Wilmslow Avenue, Woodbridge, IP12 4HW, Tel. 01394 385221. Please include the appropriate fee to cover the annual subscription and all the facilities you require. Please make your cheque payable to: Deben Yacht Club.

To apply for temporary membership, category 6, please contact the Membership Secretary by letter or telephone at least one week before the start of the requested period of membership.

The committee confirms all admissions into membership.

### Entitlements of Membership

On election, members except Temporary members may take part in all Club activities. Most activities are listed in the programme for the year, and additional events are advertised from time to time on the website, by email or in the clubhouse. Adult and Family memberships have one key fob to access the Clubhouse. Fobs remains the property of the Club and must be returned upon ceasing to be a member. Replacement or additional fobs costing £5 each are obtainable from the Membership Secretary.

Dinghy Park or Pontoon places for small rowing dinghies will be allocated according to plans displayed in the Clubhouse. There are also lockers for small outboard engines and oars. These places will be allocated as far as they are available, but it may not be possible to offer a preferred place.

The club has several sailing dinghies that are available for short-term use by members. Details of booking and charging are on the website.

Members may apply to join sailing training courses for novices or improvers, these usually take place in the spring.

Members will receive a card containing the programme for the year. Newsletters are distributed four times each year, while bulletins, occasional notices and notifications of Club events may be sent by mail, email or displayed in the club. The Rules of the Club, the annual sailing and events programme and Newsletters can also be found on the Club's website: [www.debenyachtclub.co.uk](http://www.debenyachtclub.co.uk)

All members may attend Annual and Special General Meetings but cadets and temporary members are not entitled to vote.



### Safety and security

*You must understand that boating is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk, which is outside the control of the club e.g. the tide may alter the slope of a ramp or make it more slippery.*

The Club's committee takes matters of Health & Safety seriously by routinely identifying potential hazards, assessing risks and identifying all reasonable measures to minimise any adverse consequences. We have made considerable investment in powerboats to support sailing activities and thus maximize safety for all who are afloat during club activities.

At the same time, it is essential that all members recognise from the outset that they have a part to play by:

- familiarising themselves with basic safety measures listed in the clubhouse by the Club Captain;
- maintaining Third Party Liability insurance of at least £2,000,000\* when participating in any Club sailing event; and for all craft using the Club's moorings, pontoons or dinghy park. \* *This is typically part of the standard provision for boating insurance policies.*

### As is normal, all entitlements carry some obligations

The Club is run on a self-help basis, so it is important that all members contribute in some way to the running of the club, and that they make it easy for others to help – particularly by abiding by the Club's Rules. All members are expected to take their turn by undertaking some of the club's many volunteering opportunities; parents of cadets can help too, especially at Club Sailing events!

### Other points

Members are expected to ensure that:

- Any boat, trailer or road base kept in the dinghy park displays the sticker provided for the current year.
- Launching trolleys are marked with the boat or owner's name.
- A tender on the pontoon is no more than 10 feet in length, is of the stem or pram type, is fitted with effective all-round fenders, and is never left with a mast erected.
- Each tender must be moored in its allocated pontoon place and display the owner's name, boat name and a contact phone number in prominent lettering inside the transom.
- The area of the pontoon opposite the bottom of the access ramp is reserved for use by safety boats bringing casualties ashore,
- The part of the pontoon on the river side of the outboard lockers is for short time use only. Cruisers use this area for loading and unloading and safety boats moor here during sailing events.
- The club has some moorings close to the clubhouse, which are available for members' dinghies and cruisers.
- Moorings are not transferable.

### Computer Data

The details from your application will be kept on the Club's computer database, solely for the purposes of the Deben Yacht Club. The information will be used in accordance with the DYC Data Privacy policy ([https://www.debenyachtclub.co.uk/wp\\_dir/theclub/information-for-members/data-privacy-policy/](https://www.debenyachtclub.co.uk/wp_dir/theclub/information-for-members/data-privacy-policy/)). Please enter information clearly and accurately. If you do not wish certain details to be added to the database, please circle the specific information in red.