



Sailability Shorncliffe

Queensland Australia

Sail Safe SAFETY BOAT SKIPPER

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Sail Safe SAFETY BOAT SKIPPER PROGRAM STATEMENT

Sail Safe is Sailability Shorncliffe's accreditation program for sailing and motorboat skippers operating at Sailability Shorncliffe. It is a practical, commonsense program with a clear focus on sail competency and safety.

Safety Boat skippers will familiarise themselves with the Safety Boat, as well as the boating conditions and navigational requirements of Cabbage Tree Creek, Bramble Bay and surrounding waterways. Skippers are coached in procedures and protocols to safely operate the boat and support the safe operation of Sailability Shorncliffe.

The Sail Safe Safety Boat Skipper program requires the prospective skipper to already have a current Queensland Recreational Marine Driver Licence or equivalent before any coaching is commenced. Coaching and accreditation sign off to be conducted by an accredited and experienced Safety Boat skipper.

Ongoing coaching and support is provided to skippers to improve and practice knowledge and skills. Regular maintenance and training days also provide opportunities to review and practice procedures.



Sail Safe **SAFETY BOAT SKIPPER** **COMPETENCY SIGN OFF**

Skipper* **Date**

Skippers should be familiar with the Sailability Shorncliffe ‘Safety Boat Safety and Operational Guidelines’, plus all other relevant Sailability Shorncliffe policies and procedures.

Area	Knowledge/Skills**	Confirmed
Pre-launch awareness and safety checks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness of the day’s sailing conditions • Readiness of the boat for sea including fuel, bungs, power on switches and safety equipment checks • Awareness of radio protocols for UHF and VHF channels 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes / No • Yes / No • Yes / No
Boat handling skills during launch, retrieval and on water operation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrated control of the boat during launch and retrieval procedures • Demonstrated safe maneuvering of the boat in waterways including docking and exiting the pontoon • Demonstrated use of the Lowrance screens to provide speed and depth information in the area of operation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes / No • Yes / No • Yes / No
Application of specific boat handling skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrated maneuvering to a dinghy or object in the water without collision • Demonstrated maneuvering alongside a dinghy that is either stationary or underway • Demonstrated safe towing of a dinghy from shallow water, in open water as well as to and from the pontoon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes / No • Yes / No • Yes / No
Understanding of actions required in urgent/ emergency situations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness of adverse weather procedures • Demonstrated procedure for person overboard (POB) drill • Knowledge of on water procedures to be used in a range of emergency situations including injury, collision, fire and loss of power 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes / No • Yes / No • Yes / No

**A current Queensland Recreational Marine Driver Licence or equivalent has been sighted and recorded.*

***Any of the above competencies may be deemed to have been met if the skipper has recently demonstrated experience for that requirement.*

This document confirms that the requirements for the safe operation of the Sailability Shorncliffe Safety Boat have been met under the Sailability Shorncliffe Sail Safe program.

Signed (Skipper)

Name and signature for Sailability Shorncliffe