

# DARWIN SAILING CLUB HOUSE RULES

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# 1 INTRODUCTION

In 1963 the Darwin Sailing Club (DSC) was formed by a group of dedicated volunteer sailors. From these humble beginnings, the DSC has grown to become one of the busiest, 7 days per week community sporting and hospitality operations in the Northern Territory.

Today the DSC has more than 1000 members and welcomes more than 50,000 visitors each year through it's doors.

Over time the Club's growth has demanded the Club employ skilled staff to assist in looking after day to day operations. While a number of committed and passionate volunteers continue to oversee the management of the operation, today most of the Club's services are delivered by paid staff.

In a practical sense, volunteer Board, Committee Members and Officers work together with the Club's paid staff to allow members, their guests and visitors to enjoy the activity of Sailing and the Club's famous hospitality.

At it's heart the Darwin Sailing Club remains an apolitical, community based and not for profit organisation. That said, there are uncompromising commercial and legal obligations the Club must meet to operate safely and within the law.

Darwin Sailing Club aims to develop the sport at all levels through effective governance, recruitment and servicing of members, management of training, promotion of sailing, raising community awareness, supporting the development of sailors, boating participants, coaches and officials.

Darwin Sailing Club's values are to:

- Be professional in approach and management.
- Strive for excellence and innovation.
- Make decisions based on the best interests of the Federation.
- Strive for open, effective and timely communication.
- Value commercial partners.
- Respond to the stakeholders needs.
- Work as a team.

# 2 PURPOSE OF THIS POLICY

These House Rules have been prepared for the guidance of Members and their guests who are encouraged to enjoy the services and unique facilities the Darwin Sailing Club has to offer.

# 3 SALE OF LIQUOR

The Sale of liquor to Members and Guests will be in accordance with the NT Liquor Licensing Act and the following:-

- a) The sale of liquor is only authorised for consumption on or at the Clubhouse by a member of the Club or by a visitor in the presence of a member.
- b) The bar trading hours, except as may be varied by the Liquor Commission or reduced by the Board, from time to time, shall be between the hours:

Monday to Friday	10.00am – 12.00 midnight
Saturday & Sunday	10.00am – 02.00 am

The Darwin Sailing Club is closed on Good Friday and Christmas Day. The Board may also, from time to time, choose to close the Club and will provide members with reasonable notice.

c) The sale of Takeaway liquor is restricted to financial members of the Club for removal and consumption away from the Club's licensed premises. The Sale of Take away liquor to Members will be in accordance with the NT Liquor Licensing Act and the following: -

Take-Away liquor trading hours, except, as may be varied by the Liquor Commission, or reduced by the Management Committee, from time to time, shall be between the hours of:

Sunday to Friday 10:00 - 22:00

Saturday & Public Holidays 09:00 - 22:00

d) Any liquor purchased at the Club's bars to take-away at Take-Away prices shall not be consumed on the licensed premises. Any breach of this rule shall attract a corkage charge equivalent to the difference between take-away and standard bar prices.

Only liquor purchased through the bar may be consumed on the licensed premises.

e) The sale of liquor is authorised for consumption on or at the Clubhouse for those attending a function for which a Special Licence has been obtained.

f) The Club's licensed premises are as shown on the map displayed on the DSC notice board.

g) Any person, who is assessed or considered to be either intoxicated, and /or whose behaviour, conduct, manner, attitude or demeanour is either inappropriate or rude in the opinion of club staff or management shall be refused service.

## 4 CONDUCT ON LICENSED PREMISES

Members and employees of the Club are required to act in accordance with the DSC Code of Ethics and Conduct which is contained within this document. This document is available on the Club website.

The following general rules of conduct apply at all times:

a) Members or their guests shall not bring liquor of any kind onto the licensed premises.

b) Club property shall not be removed from the licensed premises.

c) Glasses shall not be removed from the licensed premises.

d) Glass is not permitted in the boat parks and rotunda (unless specifically approved by the Board) or the children's playground area.

e) No person shall ride or park a motorcycle or bicycle in the vicinity of the bars or beer garden. Bicycles must be parked in the cycle racks, and motorcycles in the car park.

f) No bicycles, scooters, skateboards, rollerblades or similar roller equipment is to be used in the club premises including licensed areas and boat parks.

g) Pet access (dogs) is strictly limited to the inner boat park driveway area from the main gates to the rotunda and northern boat ramp.

No dogs allowed in dining area (inner boat park only)

Dogs must be on a leash or under effective owner-control

Dogs are not permitted on the grassed lay down area that is set aside for rigging/de-rigging of OTB vessels

Owners are responsible for the clean-up of their pet

Nuisance pets will not be tolerated.

h) No unauthorised person is permitted entry to any area of the bar, office or cool-room facilities without the expressed permission of the Commodore, General Manager or Bar Manager.

i) Any misconduct or breach of these rules or the Club's Code of Ethics and Conduct may result in disciplinary action as determined by the Board in accordance with the Darwin Sailing Club Constitution, section 13

j) Members are to abide by the clubs COVID Safe Plan (available on the website), including distancing and sanitisation.

## 5 PROOF OF MEMBERSHIP

To ensure compliance with Northern Territory legislation, members, when on the licensed premises, shall have in their possession their current membership card and a single valid form of photo identification.

Membership cards shall be produced on request to Club employees or members of the Board.

Random membership checks will be carried out.

## 6 TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP

Temporary membership may be authorised by a Flag Officer or the General Manager, in accordance with The Darwin Sailing Club Constitution, clause 10, to a person who is;

- A member of another sailing club and who is a visitor to Darwin: or
- An owner, skipper or crewmen of a yacht visiting Darwin: or
- A visitor to Darwin who resides at least 100 kilometres from the club: or
- A member of the board of directors, managing committee or executive of a club or association involved in boating activities: or
- Persons who have enrolled in approved courses to be held at the club.

A temporary member shall be entitled to membership of the Club for a period not exceeding three months in any one year and shall be liable to pay the membership fees prescribed from time to time.

A temporary member shall not be entitled to sign-in guests to the Club premises and shall not be entitled to stand for membership of any committee of the Club, nominate persons to membership of the Club or any committee of the Club or vote at any meeting of members of the Club.

## 7 MEMBERS GUESTS

- a) Persons other than financial, honorary, life or temporary members shall not visit the Club more than 3 times in any 12 month period.
- b) Guests to the Club must be accompanied by a member and shall provide the information necessary to enable the issue of an automated guest sign in receipt.
- c) A guest shall not remain on Club premises without the sponsoring member and shall vacate the premises with or prior to the sponsoring member's departure.
- d) A member may sign in no more than six guests in any one day.

## 8 DRESS STANDARDS

- a) Except as may be determined by the General Manager for special events, appropriate smart casual attire must be worn by members and guests with the minimum dress to be:
  - 1) Shirt or tee/shirt with shorts, slacks or skirt or dress and footwear.
  - 2) Patrons wearing dirty or wet clothing or singlets, bathing attire, or no footwear shall not be permitted to remain within the lounge area. Hats shall not be permitted in the lounge area.
- b) The wearing of clothing bearing profane, suggestive or improper words or designs shall not be permitted on the licensed premises.
- c) Footwear is recommended in all areas due to the risk of injury from broken glass.
- d) Dress standards shall be enforced by Management and by members of the Board.
- e) Club employees shall refuse service to any person not complying with the dress standards promulgated in these House Rules.

## 9 JUVENILES

- a) Parents and legal guardians shall be responsible for the behaviour of children under their control while on Club premises, including the boat and car parks. Parents and legal guardians of children whose behaviour is deemed by a Flag Officer or the General Manager to be socially unacceptable shall be requested to remove them from the Club premises.
- b) Persons under the age of 18 (minor) shall not be allowed to remain in the bar areas unless under the direct supervision of a person over the age of 18 years.
- c) Children using Club playground equipment shall at all times be under the direct supervision of their parent or legal guardian.

## **10 SMOKING**

Tobacco products are no longer sold at the Darwin Sailing Club. Smoking is only permitted within the designated areas.

## **11 SAFE TRANSPORT**

The Club shall make available all times access to free telephone calls for members wishing to arrange a taxi or transport from the Club.

## **12 EXCLUSION FROM PREMISES**

The management reserves the right to exclude from Club premises persons who do not comply with the House Rules.