



Terms & conditions of booking

In these terms and conditions the term "company" means GILL'S POWERBOAT SCHOOL, its Instructors or any sub-contracted person. The term "the client" shall mean each person in whose name the course is booked.

1. If the company is unable to meet any booking through circumstances beyond its control, the client(s) may be offered another booking at the company's discretion or an alternative booking offered with another company.
2. If the company is unable to offer the client(s) or the client(s) are unable to accept such an alternative booking, the company will refund any deposit or course fee paid.
3. The company will decide how and when any course is run and whether or not the course will go out onto the water. The company's decision is final.
4. Your place on a course is secured when we receive a completed booking form (per course participant) and full payment for the course. Please send a cheque payable to "Mark Gill"
5. In the event of your wishing to cancel your place on a course the client will receive a full refund of all moneys paid.

In the event that you need to change the date of your course then we will do our utmost to accommodate the change at no further cost. This is though dependant on the notice given and thus our ability to 'resell' your place – as per the terms above.

6. The school is insured for anyone getting on or off or travelling on the school boat, however the client is strongly recommended to take out their own insurance against cancellation, damage or loss of personal effects, death or personal injury.
7. The company and its employees accept no liability for theft, loss or damage for clients clothing, equipment and personal property howsoever caused on or off the company's craft.
8. The company does not accept responsibility, unless it is proved in a court of law to be negligent, for death of, or injury to the client or loss or damage to the Client's property.
9. The client acknowledges that there are inherent dangers involved in sports / power boating and understands and agrees to sign the booking form indemnity holding the company and its Instructors free of liability in the event of an accident, death, injury or damage to person or property.
10. Own boat tuition. Tuition is provided on the following basis:
 - The vessel is insured by the owner for loss, damage and legal liability to third parties
 - The owner remains the skipper and legally responsible for the safe management of the vessel at all times (including when under tuition) and will not hold the Instructor responsible for any loss or damage.
 - The owner undertakes to secure the consent of the insurers to this agreement
 - Own boat tuition will only be undertaken on a vessel owned by the person attending the course, courses cannot be undertaken on Commercial craft or craft belonging to Clubs
11. A client who seeks 'own boat tuition' will also be sent a separate document detailing the equipment required on the boat. It is a condition of the booking that the client's boat satisfies the conditions detailed within this document.
12. Clients will not be provided with waterproofs and is the clients own responsibility to provide adequate foul weather equipment including non slip footwear. G-P-S does provide a life jacket for the duration of the course, clients are responsible for their safe return at the end of each day. Damage to any item beyond normal wear and tear may render the client liable to either pay for the item in full or to pay an amount to the company as compensation (as determined by the company).

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13. Individuals intending to obtain the International Certificate of Competence (ICC) are advised that under current RYA 'rules' this certificate (when issued by the RYA) is only available to "...British Citizens or bone fide British residents. (Evidence of British residency may be required)". NB: Our experience though is that non British nationals living & working in the UK have successfully applied for and received their ICC. The conclusion being that this 'term' of issue is aimed at preventing individuals arriving from overseas to obtain these qualifications. Please note though that no reliance can be placed on our interpretation and if in doubt as to your eligibility then please discuss it with us and if necessary the RYA.
14. Children's Powerboat Courses: G-P-S runs Level 1 courses for 8 - 18 year olds, whilst those between 12 – 18 can attend level 2 courses. All certificates issued will be endorsed
 - 8 – 11 year olds: "The holder should only use powered craft under the supervision of a responsible adult on board the craft"
 - 12 – 16 year olds: : "The holder should only use powered craft under the supervision of a responsible adult"
15. G-P-S will accept children onto courses where the child is not accompanied by a parent or guardian, such a booking is accepted under our specific Child Booking Form. When booking a course we urge the adult booking the course to carefully consider the following points:
 - Whilst we will use boats appropriate to the size and strength of the children on the course is your child capable of the physical activities that a powerboat course entails?
 - It is your responsibility to provide plenty of warm clothing, waterproofs and suitable footwear. We advise waterproof trousers & tops, bobble hats & gloves, sunglasses, wellie boots etc. As you know children get colder quicker than adults and this would spoil their course. Please ensure they have plenty of spare clothes with them as boats can be a wet environment.
 - If being away from their parents/guardian for a day/2 days may cause distress then perhaps they could attend with a friend.
 - We sincerely hope that the child attends because he/she really wishes to do so rather than being pushed onto the course.
 - On the 2 day level 2 course we will be looking at areas such as tides and navigation, whilst the course is available to those 12 years old or more please think though whether they are likely to embrace such areas or whether perhaps a one day level 1 course might be a better start where there is less time spent on such areas.
 - Parents/guardians must be contactable at any time during the course.
16. All courses require you to reach a certain standard at which the relevant certificate can be awarded. Certificates can only be awarded to those reaching that standard however if for whatever reason further time is required to reach the standard we will aim to create a plan to help you achieve the award. Within reason we will invest time to help you do and rarely charge for such services.