

HOLLOWELL SAILING CLUB BIOSECURITY POLICY

Following the discovery of an invasive species of shrimp (*Dikerogammarus villosus*) at Pitsford Water Reservoir in July 2015, Hollowell Sailing Club reviewed the existing biosecurity measures and sets out the following requirements of members and visitors at Hollowell Reservoir.

The following requirements apply to all craft, being powered or non-powered craft, including RIB, rowing craft, dinghies, canoes, kayaks and sailboards and others, entering the reservoir.

Auditable check of all visiting craft

All visitors to Hollowell Sailing Club premises with any type of craft attending open meetings will be required to sign a declaration in their application form to confirm they agree to self-regulated checking, cleaning and drying all craft, in so far as is practical, before entering the reservoir and prior to their departure.

Application forms will be received by those supervising the open meetings and kept on file for a period of no less than twelve months thereafter. Responsibility for processing and filing the forms will rest with the relevant open meeting **Fleet Captain**.

On site signage and information

Anglian Water is responsible for ensuring permanent signage is and remains in place regarding biosecurity at Hollowell reservoir.

Hollowell Sailing Club will promote check, clean, dry procedures regularly to its members and visitors by posting notices on club notice boards, website and in other correspondence with members. Responsibility for promoting procedures will rest with the **Web Master**, the **Membership Secretary** and any other **Committee Members** as are relevant.

Wash down procedures

Members' craft which do not leave the site are not required to wash down before or after entering the water.

Hollowell Sailing Club will provide a wash down facility away from the shore in the form of a stand pipe and hose.

Self-regulation by members

With immediate effect members are required to self-regulate the wash down procedure and endeavour to take all possible practical measures to prevent the spread of invasive species.

Members will be required to sign a declaration in their membership application form or membership renewal form to confirm their agreement to do so before their membership is approved. Responsibility for processing and filing the membership application forms will rest with the **Membership Secretary**.