



T.A.R.S.

# T.A.R.S. Safety Regulations

## **Application**

These regulations apply to all boats racing in the Cardiff Bay Yacht Club T.A.R.S Series

## 1. General

All safety equipment shall be of a suitable size and type for the boat and all equipment and fittings (including outboard engines if carried) shall be securely fastened.

# 2. Buoyancy

Each boat shall either be self-righting and/or be equipped with a suitable means for baling or pumping.

# 3. Personal buoyancy

Adequate personal buoyancy shall be carried for each member of the crew (wetsuits do not count as personal buoyancy).

#### 4. Radio

Each boat shall carry a suitable marine band VHF transceiver for communicating with the RO or use in an emergency.

#### 5. Flares

Each boat shall carry at least two in-date red hand held flares and at least two in-date orange smokes in a waterproof pack or a suitable LED Distress Flare if racing outside Cardiff Bay.

#### 6. Anchor

Each boat shall carry a suitable anchor and sufficient chain/warp to hold the boat In 15m depth of water in the expected racing conditions.

# 7. Fire extinguisher

All boats shall carry a fire extinguisher.

## 8. First aid

Each boat shall carry a waterproof first aid pack with instructions.

## 9. Man overboard

Each boat shall carry a rescue quoit or throw-bag with at least 15m of floating line.

# 10. Engine

Each boat shall have a suitable working engine and sufficient fuel to propel the boat to a safe haven from any point of any expected course. If propelled by an electric motor then sufficient battery charge should be available to ensure a return to a safe haven.

## 11. Knife

Each boat must carry a knife suitable for the cutting of any rope on the boat and accessible from the cockpit