

# CARDIFF BAY YACHT CLUB

*GAFFERS IN THE BAY*



## **Gaffers in the Bay Safety Regulations**

### **Application**

These regulations apply to all boats sailing in the Cardiff Bay Yacht Club Gaffers in the Bay 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 bailing or pumping. If a boat is designed to be used with ballast then this must be installed.

### **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 and for use in an emergency.

### **5. Engine**

Each boat shall have an alternative means of propulsion. If an engine is fitted sufficient fuel or battery power to propel the boat to a safe haven from any point must be carried. If the form of propulsion is by oars or similar the crew must be physically capable of propelling the boat to a safe haven.

### **6. Knife**

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