



RYA Safety Boat

Course Joining Instructions

Thank you for booking a course with BLYM. We hope you are looking forward to attending. In advance of your course, please read the following notes:

Our clubhouse is at Rickmansworth Aquadrome (Postcode: WD3 1NB) and you should park in the main Aquadrome Car Park (<https://blym.org.uk/club/find-us>). Please do not drive into the pedestrianised area of the park even if you find the gates open.

The **Safety Boat** course starts at 09:30 and finishes at 17:00 each day. Please let us know if you are going to be late, or if you unexpectedly must miss a part of the course, by telephoning BLYM on the day on 01923 772015.

We would advise you not to spend a lot of money on special clothing prior to the course. We recommend that you wear old, comfortable, warm clothes (**not jeans**), which you won't mind getting wet. You will find that the temperature on the water is lower than on the land, and you can become chilled even in the summer. Here is a summary of personal items you should bring each day:

- Old, warm, comfortable clothes for use on the water
- A complete change of clothes including underwear and shoes
- Towel and shower kit
- Smooth soled shoes such as trainers (*these may get wet or muddy*)
- Hat, sunscreen and sunglasses
- Gloves (*optional*)
- Waterproof jacket and over trousers if you have them
- Packed lunch
- Notebook and pen or pencil

We provide buoyancy aids, and these must be worn whenever you are afloat. If you have your own, you are welcome to use it, provided it meets the current CE standard. Wetsuits and waterproofs will be provided on your course if the conditions require and can be hired at other times for a small charge. A range of sailing clothes including waterproofs, footwear, gloves, buoyancy aids etc. can be purchased from BLYM at discounted prices if required.

Theory sessions are sometimes held during the lunch break and there will therefore be little opportunity to leave at lunchtime. Tea, coffee and squash are available free of charge during the course. Snacks and confectionery can be purchased from the galley.

We hope that you have an enjoyable and stimulating course. Our instructors will keep you informed of your progress throughout the course, and if you have any questions or concerns do, please let us know at the time so we can respond. In case you have further queries, a range of frequently asked questions are available (<https://blym.org.uk/courses/faq>) along with the agreed registration terms (<https://blym.org.uk/terms-and-conditions>).

Looking forward to seeing you at BLYM soon,

David Ritchie

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