



Dinghy Safety

A MESSAGE FROM ROYAL FRESHWATER BAY YACHT CLUB



Personal Flotation Device

It is a mandatory requirement for all sailors to wear a Personal Flotation Device (PFD) when sailing a dinghy, windsurfing or foiling. A PFD will keep a sailor buoyant, particularly if they have been in the water a long time and are getting tired. Here are some very important guidelines:

- + PFD must adhere to the correct standards and regulations.
- + PFD must be marked on inside with owner's name and phone number or Club name
- + PFD should include an attached whistle that is readily accessible if required
- + PFD must be suitably sized and correctly fitted for the individual sailor. The PFD must fit securely and snugly. All straps must be firmly tightened & all clips engaged.
- + PFD must be worn outside of all sailwear and personal equipment
- + Regularly wash PFD in fresh water. Regularly inspect PFD for wear or damage. Ensure all zips, clips and straps are functioning correctly. Replace PFD if necessary.



Safety - its everyone's responsibility