

2XS[®] CLUB RULES

Watersports have been on West Wittering's private beach since the late 70s. 2XS took over the Club in 1991 – since then we have worked very hard and spent many hours with locals, WWE & CME board members and local councils creating a workable safety system. We have strong support from West Wittering Estate, the landowners of the beach.

Our aim at 2XS is to ensure the safety of all our members and beach users. We pride ourselves on running a safe location for kitesurfing and windsurfing.

All members must abide by the decisions of the Safety Officer/Club Manager. If in the interest of safety, particularly in the height of the summer, if it is deemed necessary, the Safety Officer may stop windsurfing/kitesurfing temporarily. We have a rescue ski on standby, 7 days a week, between 1st March – 31st October.

GENERAL RULES

SIGNING IN/OUT IN CLUB OFFICE

- All members are required to sign on and off the water to ensure you are covered by our rescue service.
- For weather updates, kit size, zone change

INSURANCE

- Members are required to have 3rd liability
- Minimum of £3 million cover

CLUB RASH VEST

- Members will be required to wear a Club rash vest.
- £30 deposit is paid on joining.
- Refundable when you leave club and bib is returned.
- Lost club rash vest, £30

LAUNCHING AND RECOVERY

- Through yellow buoyed lanes only.
- Avoid launching when beach users are down wind of you



ON THE WATER

- Respect other beach users.
- Swimmers must be avoided by at least 100ft (6 mast lengths/2 kite lengths).
- Swimmers must always be passed to seaward-upwind
- Sandbars change regularly, be aware of depth change

SAFETY RULES

- Members who jeopardise the safety of a swimmer/beach user/club member or ignore safety rules (instructions) risk the chance of being temporarily or permanently banned from the club.
- In the event of a permanent ban membership and car parking will not be refunded.

MEMBERSHIP

- Single-one person only adult over age 18 years old
- Family Membership -2 adults and children under the age of 18 all at same home address, same surname (max number 4 children)
- Local membership is available to homeowners in the following postcodes only PO20 7XX, PO20 8XX or PO20 9XX – this does not cover short-term holiday rentals.
- Membership is annual – runs for 12 months from the time you pay for your membership.
- Joining fee – for new members there is a joining fee of £85 – if members are late with their renewals over 1 month they will also be required to pay the joining fee again
- Membership is not transferable.
- Membership is only for personal watersports use – no commercial/promotional use is allowed

ON UNDER 18'S/CHILDREN

- Under 16's cannot be left alone at the windsurf club or whilst windsurfing/kitesurfing, the parent or guardian must be with them at all times
- Minors under the age of 11 years old are not allowed to use the changing rooms without parental supervision.
- Under 18's out on the water must be supervised at all times

CAR PARK

- Take special care when parking or reversing, small children are difficult to see behind vans or cars – Parents please don't let small children play in car park area.
- Please observe and abide by the car parking terms; all vehicles must be off the Estate by 8.30pm GMT. (You can stay later if car is off site)
- Season tickets are cheaper than daily car park fee

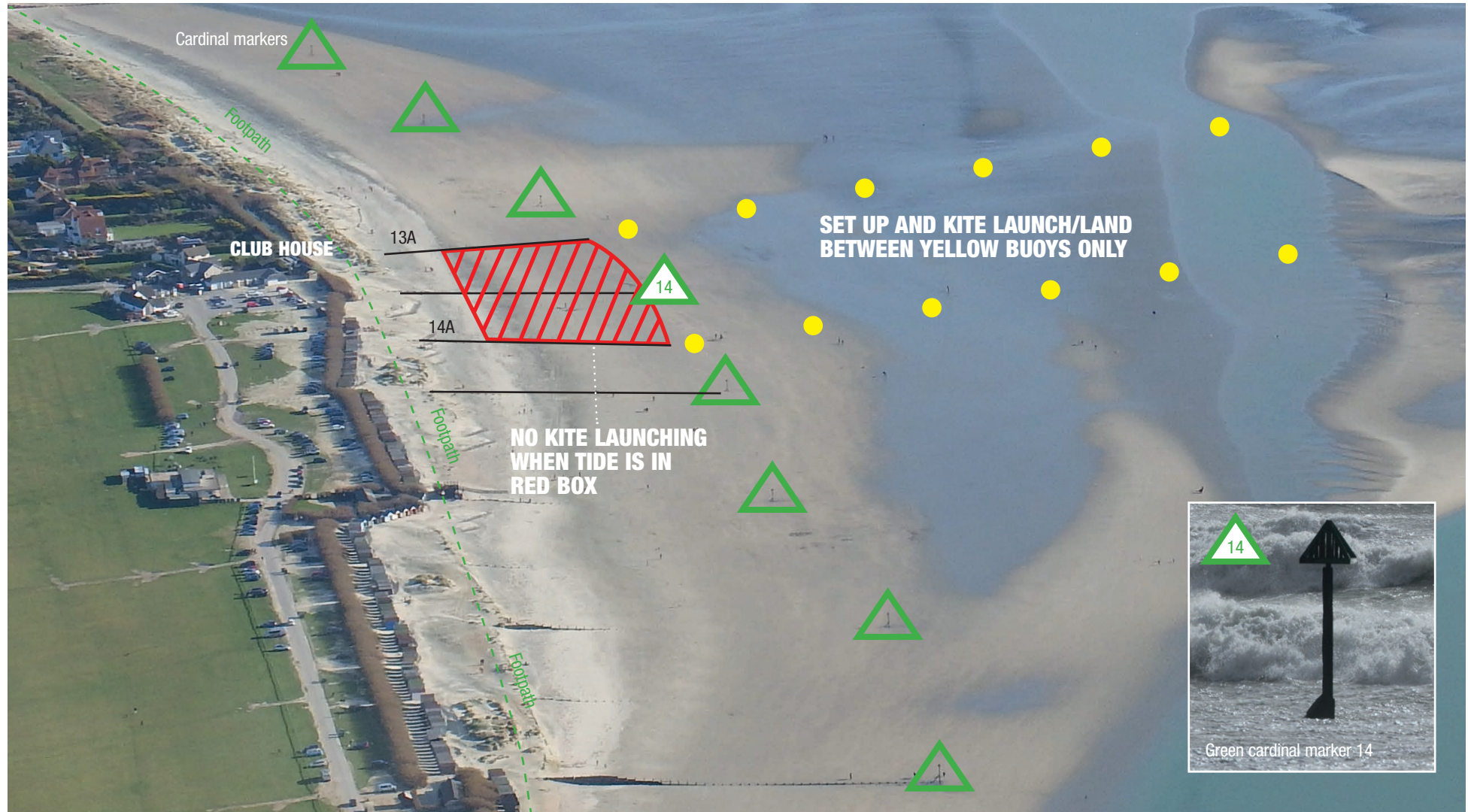
WINDSURF GUEST PASS

- Maximum 4 visits
- Members Guest £8
- Non members pass £15
- Guests must follow the club rules, have 3rd party insurance, and wear a club bib.

KITESURF GUEST

- We do not offer daily membership for kitesurfing (due to the safety rules)

KITE RULES



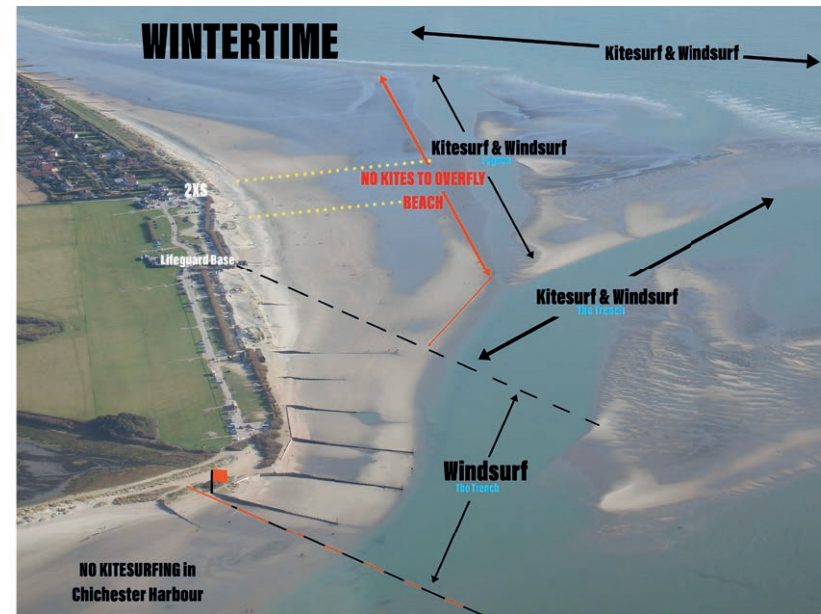
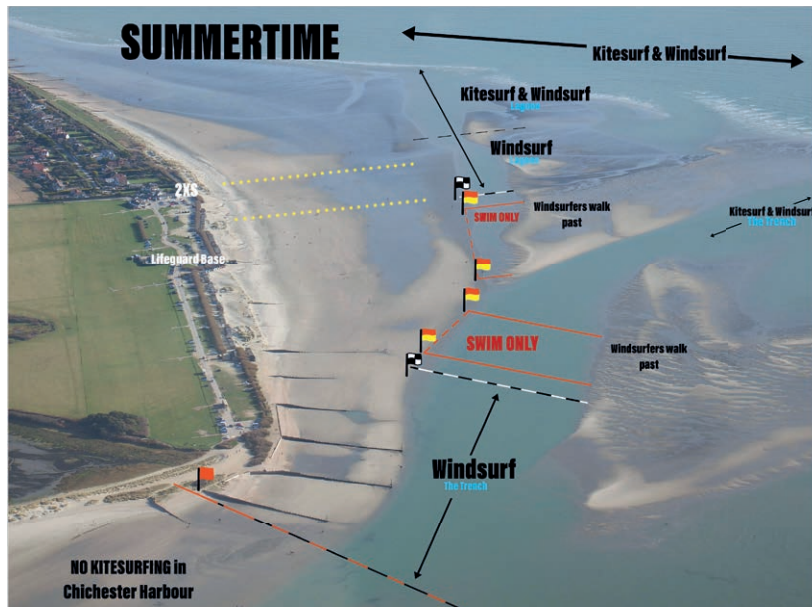
- **No launching at high tide – launching only after tide is one meter to seaward from the green cardinal marker on groyne 14, which is the first groyne to the right after the windsurfing club.**
- Kite surfers must keep at least two line length (i.e. 50 meters) or more from the shoreline; do not over fly the beach.
- Never 'over fly' people on the beach, footpaths or horses. Be especially careful of children who are drawn to all kites thinking they are toys, but generally do not realize the dangers that a power kite can present.

- All kites must be fitted with a safety leash to the harness. Please test safety systems prior to launching kite. Carry kite safety knife
- No more than 30 kite surfers out at once.
- Launching and landing through the yellow buoyed only
- Kite to be launched pointing to the sea
- Kites must not be left unattended, unless they are secure with sand bags. Lines **MUST** always be detached when kites are left on the beach

- Kite surfers must take absolute responsibility for their own safety, and other beach and water users, Ensure there is enough room to launch and land safely.
- If you see a kite surfer out of control or about to launch dangerously – help them. Collectively kite surfers can create a safer environment, those who act irresponsibly will jeopardize the sport for everyone.
- No Jumping on land
- Novice kite surfer must be able to kite within the club rules, or will need further lessons before venturing out. (please ask advice at the club)
- Ask for assistance for launching and landing
- Kite surfers should keep clear of other watersport users, preferably downwind.
- Kitesurfers avoid jumps/transitions on water if there is anyone downwind.
- If you are too close to another windsurfer or kitesurfer put the kite into its neutral position and allow them to pass.
- The decision will be taken each day in the summer whether there is suitable space and conditions for kite surfing by the Club Manager

LAGOON/TRENCH/CHICHESTER HARBOUR

- Be aware from red flag to seaward tip of Hayling, no kitesurfing in Chichester harbour
- No kiting in lower trench
- Use of trench and lagoon changes summer and winter. This also changes annually due to sandbars changing. See diagrams of summer and winter kitesurfing windsurfing.
- Please keep clear of all lessons



LIFEGUARDS/ZONES

- Red/Yellow Flags – swimming zone only, no kiting or windsurfing (walk past to seaward)
- Black/White Flags – Hard craft zone. Windsurf/kiting from flag point. See diagram
- Red Buoy – This will mark a point where you can kite/windsurf up to in the water, incase the flags are hard to see.
- The WWE lifeguards will keep swimmers contained in the zoned area. If this is not happening we will chase the situation up on your behalf, but please avoid swimmers in the mean time.
- Please take advise from WWE lifeguards when required



WINTER

- Members must wear their bibs throughout the winter months
- Rescue cover stops as of the 1st Nov – 28th Feb
- Call 999, ask for coastguard, in the event of an emergency
- Club is still in use and rules still apply

RESCUE

- Rescue cover from March 1st – 31st Oct, ski on standby
- The 2xs safety officer scans water every 15 minutes
- Members need to stay in line of site of club
- Use distress signal for attention, stay with kit
- Members kiting/windsurfing too far out to sea cannot not be seen!



SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

- Assessment of weather conditions is essential, in particular the size of kite/sail for wind strength/ability – check kit size at club office.
- Always check the weather, wind speed and direction and tides, use our live feed and webcam through 2xs.co.uk/weather
- Starboard tack has right of way over port
- Collisions must be avoided at all costs
- Sailor going through surf has right of way to someone coming in
- Sail/kite with others, avoid going out on your own
- Avoid strong tides/off shore winds
- Maintain and check your kit
- Don't go out if the conditions are not suited to you, or you don't have the right kit.
- Carry spare rope, flares, knife and phone on the water
- Be ware of changing depths, the sand regularly shifts and depths can change
- Personal safety equipment such as helmets, float jackets/BA's are recommended to wear.

HIRE PACKAGE

- To reserve kit, call the day before. We cannot guarantee available kit if you just turn up. (No reservations, we will hire out kit)
- If you damage any equipment, you will have to pay for the repair/replacement
- Hire is available from 15th March 31st October between opening hours of the Club (9am – 5.30pm)
- Hire members can switch between Kite/Windsurf/SUP/Surf (subject to ability level)
- Membership is not transferable
- Keep within club rules and safety recommendations



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