

Keyhaven & Hurst Kitesurf Club – Risk Assessment/Codes of Conduct

Specific Location Codes of Conduct:

Mount Lake (New Lane) & Telegraph Lake (Hurst Castle)

- ❑ Maximum of 6 riders at any one time at each location, take turns if there are other riders on the water.
- ❑ Club vests to be worn at all time by both members and guests.
- ❑ These areas are for competent kitesurfers only; no learners/teaching.
- ❑ These areas are only kiteable at certain tidal times, usually 2 hours each side of high water, check tide times & ride accordingly.
- ❑ Do NOT transit the river.
- ❑ Mount Lake – do NOT sail past the moored yachts; you must stay at the road end of the lake.
- ❑ Telegraph Lake – maintain absolute minimum of 20m downwind buffer zone when passing moored vessels.
- ❑ Give way to all other watercraft & water users.
- ❑ Stay clear of all nesting birds, flora and fauna – this means stay off the marshes when launching, landing & riding.
- ❑ These areas can become very busy during the summer months, especially the shingle spit; if it is too busy, do NOT go out.
- ❑ If you see somebody doing something wrong then talk to them.

**REMEMBER: This is an outstanding area, and it is *OUR* local spot.
We must keep access open!**

Kitesurfing Codes of Conduct:

- ❑ Riders must hold 3rd party liability insurance.
- ❑ Be sure you can handle the prevailing weather conditions.
- ❑ Always assist fellow kitesurfers when launching and landing.
- ❑ Always use an effective kite safety leashing system.
- ❑ Wrap your lines when not in use and secure kite properly.
- ❑ Keep a reasonable distance between yourself and fellow kitesurfers & other water/beach users.
- ❑ If you lose your kite or board whilst on the water, always report it to the coastguard as soon as possible.
- ❑ A kitesurfer must know the navigation laws and abide by them at all times.
- ❑ If you ride alone, let someone know you are out and what time you will be expected back.

Emergencies: Dial 999 (112 from a mobile) & ask for Coastguard