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**ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL BOAT AND
PERSONAL WATER CRAFT LAUNCHING AND
REGISTRATION**

REGISTRATION SCHEME FOR PERSONAL WATERCRAFT AND POWER DRIVEN CRAFT 2015

A registration scheme for PWC's (jet skis) and all powered craft is to be run throughout Anglesey for the forthcoming season, summer 2015, starting in April 2015.

All powered craft launched in Anglesey will need to be registered and have valid insurance. It will be possible to register at the County Council offices or through the slipway attendants at Traeth Bychan, Beaumaris, Trearddur Bay, Rhosneigr, and Menai Bridge.

Registration will be required for each and every powered craft even when owned by the same person.

In writing from -
Anglesey Business Centre
Bryn Cefni Business Park
Llangefni
Anglesey
LL77 7XA

A launching fee for all powered driven craft of 10hp and above will also be required at the above 5 sites and this can be on a daily or seasonal basis. The seasonal and daily fees can be paid to the slipway attendants at the 5 sites. The seasonal fee can also be paid by contacting the County Council at the above address. A discount is offered on the seasonal fee only to persons with relevant maritime qualifications.

THE DISCOUNTS ARE ONLY AVAILABLE ON APPLICATION TO THE COUNCIL OFFICES

FEES AND CHARGES

Cheques payable to "Anglesey County Council".

REGISTRATION

AT THE SLIPWAY - £20.00

FROM THE COUNCIL DIRECT - £15.00

LAUNCHING FEES

AT THE SLIPWAY

FROM THE COUNCIL DIRECT

DAILY £16.00
SEASONAL £160.00

N/A
£160.00

A discount of £55.00 on the seasonal launching fee may be applied for by people who have a recognised power boat handling qualification. The discount is available by postal application or by application in person at the Council Offices in Llangefni and **is not available on the slipways.**

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1. **PERMIT RENEWALS**

Please find enclosed the Powerboat / Personal Watercraft Registration Form and the Seasonal Boat Launching Permit Application. Should you wish to take a permit for the year commencing 1st April, then please complete the forms and return them together with your remittance for the appropriate charge (shown on the enclosed sheet), a copy of your insurance certificate and if applicable proof of marine qualification if applying for discounted launch rates. All insurance and marine qualifications must be in the name of the applicant.

To obtain launching discounts a copy of the approved Qualification must be enclosed with the application form. A list of accepted qualifications appears as Appendix 1 and a list of those not accepted is included as Appendix 2. If you have a qualification which you wish to be considered and does not appear on either list please contact the Maritime Section in writing by giving as much details as possible.

Please Note:

- a) If, for any reason, a registered craft does not display the appropriate registration sticker in a way that is easily visible to staff, then a further sticker must be purchased and paid for and displayed correctly, before permission can be given for access over a slipway or the foreshore under the control of the Authority for launching or recovery.
- b) If, for any reason, a registration sticker is damaged then a new one may be issued free of charge, strictly subject to identifiable evidence of the original damaged sticker being presented.
- c) If, for any reason, a registration sticker is damaged beyond recognition or otherwise lost, then a new sticker must be purchased and paid for and displayed accordingly
- ch) If a registered craft is sold or changed, a new registration sticker will be issued free of charge for the new craft, subject to satisfactory completion of an application form and strictly subject to the original sticker being presented in an identifiable condition.

2. **REGISTRATION SCHEME**

Please note that from 1st April 2015 all powered craft launchers are required to register their craft prior to use of the authorised slip ways or access points.

The annual charge for registration has been set at £15.00 if the application is sent direct to the council offices or at £20.00 if the

application is presented at authorised slip ways or access points for 2015.

Customers who do not purchase a seasonal launch permit with their registration will need to pay the £20.00 registration fee plus the daily launch fee of £16.00. On subsequent launches they will only pay the £16.00 daily fee.

This scheme offers considerable advantage to any Anglesey Registered Launchers because Denbighshire, Gwynedd and Conwy Councils will accept Anglesey Registration.

This means for example if you decide to go to Gwynedd for the day instead of Anglesey then you will not be required to register again in Gwynedd as in previous years and pay their registration fee, all you will have to do is pay their daily launch fee.

From the point of view of the participating Authorities this scheme where a registration is valid for all four areas offers the advantage of an ultimate sanction against launchers who create constant problems of any kind by the withdrawal of registration for effectively the whole of North Wales.

The person who registers the vessel or craft will be held responsible for the actions of any person navigating that vessel.

To reassure you on this point the action described would only be utilised under extreme circumstances as a last resort against those who will not comply with Byelaws and/or Local Regulations.

It should also be noted that the Seasonal Boat Launching Permit or payment of the daily fee is required for recovering craft as well as launching on Council controlled slipways or access points.

3. SLIPWAYS ACCESS POINT USAGE

The authorised slipways and access points are:-

REGISTRATION AND LAUNCHING FEES REQUIRED

1. Trearddur Bay Slip way.
2. Traeth Bychan Slip way.
3. Rhosneigr access point.
4. Beaumaris slip way.
5. Menai Bridge slip way (Porth y Wrach).

Restricted slip ways:-

REGISTRATION REQUIRED, (other charges may apply)

6. Llaneilian slip way.
7. Sandy Beach access point.

8. Holyhead Sailing Club slip way.
9. Lligwy beach.
10. Church Bay
11. Penrhos beach (Holyhead).
12. Bol Sach slip way. (coast guard slip way, Holyhead).
13. Cemaes Bay.
14. Fryars Bay
15. Bull Bay
16. Rhoscolyn

Note: No exceptions permitted to 8 to 16 above without the permission of the Maritime Officer or his nominated Deputies.

4. SAFETY AND NAVIGATION

- 4.1 Please make sure that your craft whatever it may be is properly equipped. To help with this the RNLI are now providing a basically free of charge service to boat owners that will check your safety equipment for you and issue a certificate for the boat/craft. If you wish to avail yourself of this service please telephone the RNLI on the "Sea Check" number to make arrangements, it is :- Freephone 0800 328 0600.
- 4.2 Please do make sure that before you go afloat that a responsible person knows when and where you are going and at what time you will return. Also having done this please stick to your intended plan and remember that lifejackets are the same as seatbelts in your car, they only help if you are wearing them.
- 4.3 The HM Coast Guard runs a scheme (CG66) to assist them and you, in the event of your vessel being in trouble. For further information call HM CG on 01407 762051.
- 4.4 Should you wish any safety advice then our staff are always happy to help you as of course are both HM Coastguard and indeed the RNLI.

5. INFORMATION FOR REGISTERED LAUNCHERS

- 5.1. Launching Registrations are valid for use at all Anglesey County Council's launching facilities.
- 5.2. In addition to 1 above registrations for launching purposes are accepted by Gwynedd Council, Conwy County Borough Council and Denbighshire County Council without further registration or payment for such.
- 5.3. Boat users are to acquaint themselves with the local Bye-laws in relation to the conduct of pleasure vessels on the Anglesey coastline. We would particularly draw your attention to the speed limit of 8 knots applicable at all 26 areas, covered by our seashore and seaside pleasure boats bye laws, a copy of which is available for inspection with the relevant Launching Attendant and on signage at each site. In

addition, ski boats are reminded that they must have an observer in the boat, in addition to the driver, at all times when a skier is in the water. Contravention of Anglesey County Council's Byelaws relating to Seaside Pleasure Boats may result in the prosecution of offenders and withdrawal of permission to use Council owned launching facilities.

- 5.4. Prior to going on the water, boat owners should be aware of the following safety considerations:-
- a) At certain states of the tide the currents are considerable in the swellies (between the bridges) at Menai Bridge often exceeding 6 knots.
 - b) Do not use lightweight or unpowered craft unless you have considerable sailing ability and knowledge of the area.
 - c) Inform a reliable person or H.M. Coastguard of your departure and estimated time of return.
 - ch) Boating under the influence of drink, or drugs is not permitted.
 - d) Carry signal flares and an anchor
 - dd) Wear suitable clothing and a lifejacket.
 - e) Ensure your engine's kill cord, if fitted, is attached to your vessel's driver
 - f) Ensure your boat is not overloaded and is in a seaworthy condition
 - ff) Obtain an up to date weather forecast.
 - g) Ski boats must carry an observer when towing.
 - ng) A wakeless speed is required within 50 metres of another Personal Watercraft, boat, mooring, dock, swimmer, skier, angler, or fishing equipment
 - h) If in doubt do not go afloat.

5.5. **MINIMUM INSURANCE COVER WILL BE THIRD PARTY £3 MILLION**

6. **Age Requirement for P W C's :-**

- 6.1 Unqualified people must be at least 18 years of age to operate a Personal Watercraft.
- 6.2 For those aged 15 - 17, they must possess a R.Y.A. Certificate of Competence for Personal Watercraft.
- 6.3 For those aged 12 to 14, they must possess a R.Y.A. Certificate of Competence **AND** operate under direct adult supervision. The definition of supervision is such that the adult is present on the craft.
- 6.4 Under 12 - not allowed to operate a Personal Watercraft.

7. **Speed Restrictions for all powered craft:-**

- 4.1 *A wakeless speed is required within 50 metres of another Personal Watercraft, boat, mooring, dock, swimmer, skier, angler, or fishing equipment.*
- 4.2 *Anglesey Council speed restrictions must be complied within in all designated areas.*

Paragraphs in italics refer to extracts from the Sea Shore and Pleasure Boat By-laws.

LIST OF QUALIFICATIONS – APPENDIX 1

Royal Yachting Association

<u>International Certificate of Competency</u>	<u>Personal Watercraft</u> Personal Watercraft Proficiency Course
<u>Sailing</u> Competent Crew Day Skipper Coastal Skipper Yacht Master	<u>Motor Cruising</u> Helmsman Day Skipper Coastal Skipper Yacht Master
<u>Powerboat</u> Level 1 Level 2 Intermediate Advanced Safety Boat	<u>Navigation</u> Day skipper Coastal Skipper Yacht Master Off Shore Yacht Master Ocean

Also in association with the above the Council will accept instructors, coaches and/or commercial endorsements qualifications.

British Water Ski Federation (Only qualifications accepted)

Ski Boat Driver Award
Club Driver Award
Instructor Award
Club Coach Award
Senior Coach Award

The British Sub-Aqua Club (Only qualifications accepted)

Boat Handling Cert
Boat Handling Assistant Certificate
Boat Handling Instructor
Diver Coxswain

APPENDIX 2

The following do not qualify for discounts:

RYA Sea Survival
RYA 1st Aid
RYA Diesel Engine
RYA Marine Radio (SRC)
RYA Radar
BSAC Advanced Diver
BSAC Oxygen Administration Award
BSAC Advanced Nitrox Diver
BSAC First Aid for Divers
Maritime Radio Operator Certificate
Certificate of Efficiency as Lifeboatman
Seafish Basic Sea Survival

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