

KILCULLEN CANOE CLUB

RULES

- 1 All paddlers, Junior & Senior, must be able to swim at least 25m in light clothing and footwear and must have a complete change of clothes.
- 2 Junior members must stay within the valley as visual from the jetty or clubhouse unless they are supervised by a proficient canoeist **or deemed experienced enough to do so, either on their own or with other Junior members.**
- 3 All paddlers must wear Life Jackets at all times unless dispensed by CI Rules. Senior paddlers must wear helmets at all times – unless paddling a K Boat or open Canadian craft. Junior paddlers (u/18) must wear helmets on all craft.
- 4 Novice and Junior members will not be allowed on the river if in flood. This rule will be rigidly enforced but if a Committee Member feels that a Novice or Junior is capable of paddling in flood conditions, he/she may, at their own discretion, bring that Novice or Junior on the river but must, at all times, stay with them.
- 5 **Junior Member may train in the valley area, unaccompanied by a Senior member, provided they are deemed sufficiently competent, by the Committee, and are supervised by a Senior Member either from the clubhouse or its grounds.**
- 6 All Junior members must be off the river before dark.
- 7 All club equipment must be properly looked after and any damage reported, immediately, to a committee member. Privately owned equipment must not be used without permission from the owner.
- 8 All persons wishing to join the club must be prepared to undergo a course of instruction in canoeing skills.
- 9 The clubhouse and grounds should, at all times, be kept clean and tidy. Occasionally, a general clean up is made and any clothing etc found lying around is discarded. All members are expected to keep the grounds and premises clean and tidy.
- 10 Selected members are issued with a clubhouse key at the discretion of the Committee. None but authorised persons may use such keys.
- 11 Equipment must be returned to its proper place after use. Senior members should ensure that this is complied with.
- 12 All persons must adhere to the Code of Ethics of the Sports Council / CI
- 13 Members may invite guests into the Club. However, anyone wishing to make regular use of the Club facilities must become a member.
- 14 Any club member caught using drugs will be expelled, from the club, for life.
- 15 Kilcullen Canoe Club agrees to adopt Canoeing Ireland Child Protection Policy. All members are deemed to have assented to abide by Canoeing Ireland Child Code of Conduct for the Protection of Children and, as such, agree to adhere to the principles and responsibilities embodied in that code.
- 16 Any person who violates any of the above RULES is subject to disciplinary action by the Committee.

NOTE: Club rules are not part of the constitution and may be subject to change at the discretion of the Committee.

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