



NYC Patrol Boat Use Policy

Nelson Yacht Club owns rigid hulled inflatable boats (rhibs), also known as “patrol boats” primarily to facilitate and support its activities. These include:

- Club Sailing - Eg. Saturday Racing, Tuesday Twilight Racing, Foiling Fridays, Regattas.
- Sailing School Activity - Eg. Learn to Sail courses, windsurfing and wingfoiling sessions, supervised hire etc...

Use by other organisations

There are occasions when a boat is requested by another Club to assist with official safety duties at events outside of Nelson and these are considered on a case by case basis.

NYC patrol boats are used by Sailability Nelson and Nelson Bays Team Sailing on an understanding of mutual benefit, and equitable use of resources, with NYC also able to utilise Sailability Nelson and Nelson Bays Team Sailing rhibs.

An NYC patrol boat is used by the Nelson Triathlon & Multisport Club to support the Nelson Sea Swims.

Use by groups/fleets of NYC sailors

Fleet reps of established fleets within the club can make a request in writing to the Club Manager (manager@nelsonyachtclub.org.nz), and may be granted permission, to use a patrol boat for support or coaching at regattas/events at other Yachting New Zealand affiliated clubs, under the following conditions:

- it does not adversely affect normal Club operations
- there are a minimum of 5 NYC sailing members participating *
- the skipper must meet NYC approval standards
- use must be for the benefit of all Club sailors participating in the event
- The boat is returned fully fuelled, with costs covered by the sailors / families benefiting from the use of the boat.

*Outside of the normal Club operational season (Spring school holidays - Autumn School Holidays inclusive) the minimum number of sailors may be reduced

Other use

Only in extenuating circumstances can permission be granted outside the above criteria, by prior approval of the Administration Committee.