**Last updated:** 29th March 2021

**Covid 19 Framework for a return to boating activity in Northern Ireland Step 2 Guidance**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Step 2** | | | |
| **Phase 2** | **Phase 2A** | **Phase 2B1** | **Phase 2C** |
| Starting Date | **1st April** | **12th April (indicative)** | **To Be Advised** | **To be advised** |
| Travel | Advice is to ‘Stay Local’ | Advice is to ‘Stay Local’ | To be advised | To be advised |
| Organised Activity  Sailing, windsurfing or powerboating formally organised by an RYA affiliated club or recognised training centre. | Recreational outdoor activity permitted for maximum 10 people from 2 households (2:10 rule), following risk assessment and PHA guidance.  No mixing allowed between groups and social distancing maintained.  Activity on multi-handed craft from 2 different households permitted. Maximum 10 onboard and on deck, only where 2 metres social distancing can be adhered to at all times. | Maximum 15 participants in any single group for purposes of organised training. (inclusive of coaches, safety etc)  No mixing allowed between groups and social distancing maintained.  Activity on multi-handed craft from 2 different households permitted. Maximum 10 onboard and on deck, only where 2 metres social distancing can be adhered to at all times. | Increase in numbers permitted, groups may come together to maximum 30 for purpose of organised training  Activity on multi-handed craft from 2 different households permitted.  Maximum 10 onboard and on deck, only where 2 metres social distancing can be adhered to and any contact (less 2 metres) is brief. | Increase in numbers permitted – to be advised.  Mixed household guidance for sailing and racing applies |
| Recreational Activity  Activity falling outside the definition of organised activity. | Sailing, Windsurfing, Powerboating for maximum 10 people from 2 households (2:10 rule), permitted from Affiliated Clubs and Centres.2  Activity on multi-handed craft from 2 different households permitted. Maximum 10 onboard and on deck, only where 2 metres social distancing can be adhered to at all times. | 2:10 rule applies.  Activity on multi-handed craft from 2 different households permitted. Maximum 10 onboard and on deck, only where 2 metres social distancing can be adhered to at all times. | 2:10 rule applies.  Activity on multi-handed craft from 2 different households permitted.  Maximum 10 onboard and on deck, only where 2 metres social distancing can be adhered to and any contact (less 2 metres) is brief | Mixed household guidance for sailing and racing applies |

1 To be confirmed when further guidance is released

2 Where there is a representative organisation that regulates providing advice and guidance to members / clubs on matters relating to sport and physical activities. These organisations should take responsibility for the activities listed against Governing Bodies.

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Shore-based courses | Classroom-based courses to remain online. | Classroom-based courses to remain online where possible.  ‘Face to face’ limited to outdoors and only  where an essential part of the course3 | Classroom-based courses to remain online where possible.  ‘Face to face’ limited to outdoors and only where an essential part of the course | Classroom-based courses to remain online where possible.  ‘Face to face’ limited to outdoors and  only where an essential part of the course |
| Sailing events | Not permitted | Not permitted | Not Permitted | Permitted with no spectators and essential personnel only.  Club Racing and small regional events may take place. |
| Safety | Safety cover cannot be expected, participants should know their limits; look after themselves; keep in touch and, above all, have a plan; | Safety recovery mitigations in place to prevent contact unless absolutely necessary. PPE available. Safety personnel included in group size | Safety recovery mitigations in place to prevent contact unless absolutely necessary. PPE available. Safety personnel included in group size | Safety recovery mitigations in place to prevent contact unless absolutely necessary. PPE available. Safety personnel included in any group size |
| Facilities | Outdoor facilities access permitted.  Indoor facilities remain closed except for emergencies and limited access to toilet and storage facilities.  Multiple groups of up to 10 people from two households is permitted, provided they are separate and distinct groups. Zoning may be required and clear guidance for entry/ exit and concourse areas (e.g. ramps, pontoons).  Site capacity is significantly reduced and managed. | Outdoor facilities access permitted.  Indoor facilities remain closed except for emergencies and limited access to toilet and storage facilities.  Onsite numbers limited in clearly defined groups based on permitted numbers and to enable social distancing at all times  Site capacity is significantly reduced and managed. | Outdoor facilities access permitted.  Indoor facilities remain closed except for emergencies and limited access to toilet and storage facilities.  Site capacity is reduced and managed. | Outdoor facilities access permitted.  Indoor facilities remain closed except for emergencies and limited access to toilet and storage facilities.  Site capacity is reduced and managed. |
| Changing rooms | Closed, except for emergency access | Closed, except for emergency access | Closed, except for emergency access | Closed, except for emergency access |
| Hospitality | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |
| Overnight Stays | No overnight stays | No overnight stays | No overnight stays | No overnight stays |

3 Only where a risk assessment has been completed that meets certain stipulations