



Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron

SUP and WINDSURFER HIRE
POLICY

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1. Requirements

- 1.1 All persons wanting to hire a SUP/BIC, Bic Techno or RSX for Windsurfing or SUP purposes must meet certain criteria to be allowed private use. These are the following:
 - 1.1.1 Must be an RQYS member or attending a non-member designated session
 - 1.1.2 Must be 16 or over
 - 1.1.3 If under 16 the individual must be supervised by a parent/guardian or instructor (this is to be agreed upon prior to a hire).

2. When Equipment can be Hired

- 2.1 Equipment can be hired for members on terms agreed with the Sailing Academy
- 2.2 Non-members are required to report to reception where they will need to acquire a Day Pass at a cost of \$15 per sail (please note each hirer can purchase pass three times before they require to become a crew member or above) and pay for hire of equipment. Please note Non-members can only use equipment for a designated session.

3. Pricing

- 3.1 These are the allocated prices for hiring a BIC Sup, Techno or RSX for windsurfing or SUP purposes.
- 3.2 Extra costing will be arranged if the hiring if an instructor is needed.

Cost	WindSUP			Bic Techno			RSX		
Full Set	\$20/h	\$40/half day	\$150	\$25/h	\$50/half day	\$150	NA		
Board	\$10/h	\$20/half day	\$100	\$15/h	\$30/half day	\$100	\$25/h	\$50/half day	\$100
Rig	\$10/h	\$20/half day	\$100	\$15/h	\$30/half day	\$100	N/A		

*Half day constitutes three hours

4. Waiver and Assumption of Risk

- 4.1 The undersigned hereby waives and releases all claims of negligence or strict liability arising of use or misuse from equipment provided from RQYS. I fully understand, recognise, and accept that SUP/BIC, techno's or RSX can pose inherent risks and dangers such as the possibly of injury to myself and others, damages to equipment, and even death. As a condition for the use of these boards and equipment. I will assume all responsibility for any injury or damages of any nature and extent. I agree to use my best judgement in undertaking this activity.

5. Requirements before departure

- 5.1 Prior to departure from RQYS on a SUP/BIC, techno or RSX the following must be completed:
 - 5.1.1 Must sign all appropriate paperwork at Reception/Sailing Academy
 - 5.1.2 Inform Marine Radio you are going out (ONLY if you do not have an instructor with you)
 - 5.1.3 Must set an expected time of return (ETR)
 - 5.1.4 Collect a life jacket
 - 5.1.5 Be wearing enclosed shoes, hat and sun screen

6. Requirements upon Return

- 6.1 Upon return to RQYS the following must be completed before leaving the premises of RQYS:
 - 6.1.1 SUP/BIC, Techno or RSX must be packed up off the beach away from the tide. Or where ever you are asked to put equipment. If you have hired the board for a term, it is required that you wash down and pack the board and the rig into the designated containers at the Windsurfing Centre of Excellence. It is your responsibility to ensure the security of all equipment
 - 6.1.2 Life jacket returned
 - 6.1.3 Sign off with Manly Marine Radio (only if you do not have an instructor with you)
 - 6.1.4 Any equipment not packed away correctly, or at all will incur a labour fee (\$25.00).
 - 6.1.5 Late return of equipment will incur a late fee prorated of the hire fee.

7. Safety and Self-Rescue

- 7.1 In the event of an emergency situation these are the steps necessary to ensure safety:
 - 7.1.1 It is more fun to windsurf with other people. Not only will you learn from each other but also there will be somebody close should you need help.
 - 7.1.2 Tell someone where you are going and when you will be back.
 - 7.1.3 Obtain a weather forecast for the local sailing area.
 - 7.1.4 Avoid strong tides, offshore winds and poor visibility.

8. Emergency Situation

- 8.1. In the event of an emergency situation these are the steps that should be taken:
- 8.2. Attracting Attention by:
 - 8.2.1 The international Distress Signal – By repeatedly raising and lowering your arms at either side of your body while kneeling or sitting on your board.
 - 8.2.2 Attracting Attention – A bright piece of material, such as a hat or another piece of clothing, can be waved to attract attention. This can be incredibly effective, even over large distances.
 - 8.2.3 Blowing a Whistle – This is a handy way to attract the attention of people close to you. Provided the wind is not too strong or in the wrong direction, as the sound could simply get carried away.
- 8.3 Self-rescue – There may be times when you need to help yourself and perform a self-rescue, but only consider this when there are no rescue options. Some of the self-rescue techniques listed below can also be used for getting to and from your sailing area.
 - 8.3.1 Flagging – If you are struggling to get downwind because you are too tired or the wind is too strong you can use a technique known as ‘flagging downwind’.
 - 8.3.2 From the secure position, lean the rig towards the front of the board until board and sail are pointing downwind. As you move the rig remember to counterbalance with your body.
 - 8.3.3 Stand just behind the rig with your feet either side of the mast foot and let the wind blow you downwind.
 - 8.3.4 By leaning the rig to one side or the other you can steer.
- 8.4 An additional method – Another technique to help self-rescue in no wind or very light wind conditions, when it is a struggle to sail, is the turtle method.
 - 8.4.1 Kneel or sit in the middle of the board facing forwards and detach the rig, pulling it alongside the board with the mast foot facing forwards and holding onto the mast.
 - 8.4.2 Pull the rig over your head with the boom in front of you and lie down with your upper body through the gap between the boom and sail. You are now lying on the inside of the boom with the sail over the top of you. The mast foot should be facing forwards with the boom clear of water.
 - 8.4.3 Paddle back to the shore.
- 8.5 Once safely ashore, fill out an RQYS incident report and if necessary, fill out a Marine incident report form.

Should you be on land or on a pontoon call out for help and continue to contact RQYS.

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9. Breakages and Damage

9.1 In the event that a privately-owned vessel or the SUP/BIC, Techno or RSX and/ or equipment is damaged these are the necessary steps to take:

9.1.1 Once safely ashore, you will inform reception staff of incident and fill out the appropriate paperwork and incident forms.

9.1.2 You shall be responsible for any loss or damage to the SUP/BIC, Techno or RSX and/or related accessories for whatever reason. In the event of equipment malfunction or failure becoming apparent during the period of hire, you will return it immediately or notify staff. You acknowledge that no repairs are to be made to the Boards or equipment without prior consent from RQYS. In no event shall RQYS be responsible for any expenditure. Inconvenience or loss incurred by me.

10. Cost List for Damages

10.1 In the event that the hired items are damaged and are beyond reasonable repair the below table contains the amount each individual item costs to replace:

Equipment	BIC	Techno	RSX
Board	\$1,259	\$1,949	\$4,241.56
Rig 3.0	\$629	\$629	\$629
Rig 4.5	\$895	\$895	\$885
Rig 5.8		\$1,415	\$1,415
Rig 6.8		\$1,469	\$1,469
Rig 7.8		\$1,519	\$1,519
Mast			
Boom			
Mast Base	\$69	\$89	\$89
Dagger Board	\$95	\$95	\$95
Harness Rope	\$35	\$35	\$35
Up haul Rope	\$15	\$15	\$15
Mast Extension	\$89	\$89	\$89
Foot Straps	\$39	\$39	\$39

11. Credit Card Details or Members Account

Name on Card: _____

Card Type: _____

Card Number: ____ / ____ / ____ / ____ Expiry date: ____ / ____

Members Account #: _____

12. Acknowledgment

I _____ acknowledge that I have read the terms of the above agreement, and give permission to the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron to charge any loss, damage or late fees to the above credit card or Members Account.

Signature: _____

Date: _____