

# Christchurch Sailing Club

## Dinghy Assistant Race Officer Instructions

### Pre Race

Contact your Race Officer and confirm you will be reporting for duty and on time.

### Race Day

Arrive at the club allowing the following minimum period before the start:

Club Start	1 hour
Harbour Start	1 ½ hours
Sea Start	2 hours

The weather forecast for the day can be checked on the computer stations in the club house.  
Refresh your understanding of the CSC sailing instructions and the RYA racing charter.  
Collect the AutoHoot apparatus, flag staff, life belt and radio (lock code 8315#).  
Check the equipment, start the engine and check the radio (channel 15 in the harbour and channel 77 at sea).

Collect the "Dinghy Race Entry Sheet(s)" from the notice board

20 minutes prior to a club line start

45 minutes prior to a harbour start

1 ½ hours prior to a sea start

Check for late entries

Note details of the course and the number of entrants.

### Sea Races

Two ribs will be in use for all sea races where dinghies are involved

Two Crew (Max) will be in each rib at any time on escort duty at Sea.

A formal safety briefing prior to all sea races is to be conducted by the Race Officer

### The Race

Check the number of boats on the waster against the "Dinghy Race Entry Sheet(s)" and agree the number of boats with the Escort Skipper by radio which also acts as a radio check.

Raise and lower the flags as appropriate for the starts and assist the Race Officer in watching for boats over the line at the start.

At the finish use the hooter to signal finishing boats and assist the Race Officer in logging the finishing times of all boats on the "Dinghy Race Finish Order and Time Sheet"

Assist with towing any boats back to the club. Return the equipment to the store in the boat shed and ensure the boat log is completed.

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### **Post Race**

Assist the Race Officer with any queries and protests and in placing the “Dinghy Race Finishing Order and Time Sheet” and the “Dinghy Race Entry Sheet(s)” in the Office post box.