

CHRISTCHURCH SAILING CLUB

DINGHY ESCORT SKIPPER

Pre Race

Contact your Race Officer and confirm that you will be reporting for duty.
Contact your Escort Assistant and confirm that he will be reporting for duty

Race Day Preparation

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

Club Start	1 Hour
Harbour Start	1 1/2 hours
Sea Start	2 Hours

Report to the Race Officer.

The weather forecast for the day can be checked on the computer stations in the Club House.

Check the notice board for signing on sheets and duty roster, and note the number of boats planning to race.

Make a note of the courses to be sailed.

Collect the equipment box and life belt for the assigned boat from the store in the boatshed. (Lock Code 8315)

Collect a radio from the store.

Check the radio is working, CH 15 in the harbour and CH 77 at sea. Ensure the boat engine will start

The Race

Check the number of boats on the water and agree with the RO the number of boats racing. Also check the course to be sailed.

Have the escort boat on the water when the first boats are being launched and follow the fleet down the harbour to the start line. Possible tow any late launches to the start position.

Follow the fleet around the harbour watching out for problems, especially with Scows which always require assistance when they capsize.

Attend to any incidents as fast as possible. Prioritise the care of sailors first and let the boats take care of themselves if required.

Do not take boats in tow and leave the race area when racing is still going on.

After the racing, assist with towing any boats home but stay towards the back of the fleet.

Do not berth the escort boat until all the boats are out of the water.

Post Race

Complete the boat log before returning the equipment to the store. Sign off with the Race Officer.