

WINTER STORAGE CONDITIONS

ALL CRADLES MUST HAVE PLYWOOD PADS FIXED OR BOLTED ON TO PREVENT MARKING THE TARMAC (Bolts must be recessed). IT WILL NOT BE PERMISSABLE TO USE A CRADLE WITHOUT THESE PLYWOOD PADS.

1. All boats, equipment and fittings berthed or moved will be entirely at the owner's own risk. Owners are advised to check their insurance cover, **particularly third party fire risk** to £3 million.
2. The storage area shall be maintained in a clean and tidy condition and every consideration must be shown to others when electrical sanding or similar equipment is being used. **Any change to the ground surface, or work required in cleaning up the area, or any club equipment damaged, destroyed or lost, shall be charged to the owner concerned. We strongly advise the use of plastic sheets or similar placed under the boat when anti-fouling.**
3. All masts must be unstepped. All boats, masts, spars, oars and gear stored in Club buildings or on Club land must be plainly and visibly marked either with the boat's or owner's name. The Committee's permission must be obtained for any storage facility (excluding those stored in cradles on the craft).
4. A line must be in place running from winch to winch under the craft's hull to facilitate positioning of the aft sling for boats being craned out at the Club.
5. No boat craned out and stored on Club premises may be moved without permission of the Moorings & Storage Committee. Stored craft may be moved, at the Committee's discretion, for any Club function or other reason.
6. Only boats which have been allocated storage may remain on the premises during the winter period.
7. Boat tenders, masts, etc may only be stored on top of the parent craft, not underneath. All masts must be unstepped and if stored on the craft, placed so the fore and aft overhangs are approximately equal.
8. Electricity is not to be left connected overnight: Prior permission must be obtained for electricity to be left connected when the owner is not in attendance. Members are fully responsible for the electrical safety of leads, plugs and appliances, which **must** comply with accepted safety standards for the purpose for which they are being used. If, in the opinion of a Committee member, there is a danger or risk to members or the Club, the appliance(s), lead(s) etc will be removed and permission for their use withdrawn. Battery charging can be very dangerous in enclosed spaces. **Fire and explosion can happen!** Permission must be obtained to use electricity for prolonged periods with appliances such as de-humidifiers, driers, heaters etc. This permission is at the discretion of the Committee and usage will be metered and charged accordingly. **Boats stored on the pontoon requiring electricity for the winter will be metered and charged accordingly.**
9. All ladders and/or step-ladders should be fit for purpose. When working at height, you should have another person in attendance in case of incident. Ladders and step-ladders when used for access top-side should be properly tied on. Only work at height if you are fit and competent to do so safely. The optimum angle for placing a ladder is 75 degrees.
10. **No Oil, Diesel or Batteries shall be discharged or deposited on club premises.** (Civic Amenity Sites have proper facilities.)
11. THE DECISION OF THE COMMITTEE AS TO STORAGE ALLOCATION IS FINAL.
12. **Please remove all mooring lines, strops and floating lines but leave a weighted link line (to prevent risers getting tangled with adjacent moorings) this line should not be too tight as this makes winter servicing difficult. The risers should be individually buoyed and be marked with the mooring number.** Further assistance and diagrams of best practice are available from the Club office.