

Broads Authority Non-Powered Craft for Hire- Vessel Conditions

This document sets out the Broads Authority Non-Powered Craft for Hire Operator Conditions that need to be satisfied if an operator's license is to be granted by the Broads Authority. The Licence will be issued under Section 94 of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1907 (reference Section 40 of the Broads Authority Act 2009). Each licence will enable the operator to let for hire the vessels listed in a Schedule.

The following definitions apply: -

“the Authority”	means the Broads Authority.
“the Vessel”	means a canoe, kayak, paddleboard, pedal craft licensed under the conditions.
“Rescue Vessel”	means a Vessel, whether mechanically powered or not, used for the purpose of recovering hire Vessels.

The Conditions

1. A Vessel must not carry any number of persons or overall loading in excess of that recommended by the manufacturer.
2. Vessels shall be fitted with flotation so that the craft, empty of equipment and occupant but filled full of water, as near as practicable floats parallel to the surface in flat water, and is capable of supporting the occupants whilst holding on to it.
3. Vessels and equipment must be maintained in sound condition and inspected prior to the issue for each hire period. The Operator must record in writing and retain records of all inspections, carried out.
4. Each Vessel is to be marked on the exterior of the vessel with the Operator's name and the registration marks issued by the Authority must be conspicuously displayed on the vessel in accordance with the 'Broads Authority Vessel Registration Byelaws 1997.
5. The Authority may suspend or revoke the licence in the event of any breach of any of these conditions if the Authority considers it necessary or desirable in the interests of the public.
6. The Licence must be returned to the Authority within 7 days if:
 - a. The Operator has ceased the activity for which the Licence has been granted

Or

- b. The Authority has revoked the Licence.
- 7. This Licence will remain in force, unless previously suspended or revoked, for a maximum of one toll year 1 April – 31 March following year.
- 8. The Licence is personal to the Operator and is not transferable except with the written permission of the Authority.
- 9. The Authority reserves the right to modify, alter, revoke or add to these conditions, should it be necessary or desirable in the interests of the public to do so. Such variations will have effect as and when specified by the Authority.

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