

Powered Watercraft Launching Permit Application Form

Borough Council of
**King's Lynn &
West Norfolk**



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Please Complete All Sections in BLOCK CAPITALS

1. Applicant (Must be the craft owner or person to whom the Datatag is registered)

Name	
Address	Telephone (inc Code)
	Mobile Telephone
Postcode	
E-Mail Address	

2. Craft (Complete One Section)

Make
Model
Colour
Datatag <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>

B) Other Personal Watercraft

Make & Model
Colour
Craft Name
Craft Number

3. Insurance & Training (Copy to be attached unless verified & stamped by club official)

Company	Training Cert	Club Stamp & Official's Signature <small>Club Stamp only required where a copy certificate IS NOT attached.</small>
Certificate No.	Certificate No.	
Expiry Date	Issue Date	

4. Payment (Cheques payable to BCKLWN)

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I am a member of Hunstanton Power Boat Club and enclose £9.00	
I am a member of Heacham Boat Owners Association and enclose £9.00	
I am NOT a member of either above Club and enclose £32.70	

5. Declaration

I confirm that I have read & agree to abide by the terms & conditions of Permit Issue and Use. *Data Protection*: I consent to the Borough Council processing my data and making it available to both clubs for member validation and it being passed to Datatag for the purposes of owner verification. Datatag will conduct a speculative search in relation to stolen craft and may pass any such information to the Police, they may also contact the owner for the purposes or updating/amending registered keeper details.

Signed Date

Terms and Conditions of Permit Issue and Use

1. Permits will be issued to the Registered Owner of the personal watercraft/Jet-ski.

The issuing of a permit does not permit use of the ramps unless insurance is held and for those wishing to launch, a minimum Certificate of Competence such as the Personal Watercraft Certificate for Jet-skis, SBDA Certificate for British Waterski members or RYA Level 2 for powered boats must be held by each driver. The permit and certificates must be produced to gain access to either ramp; failure to produce either document will result in refusal of launching rights.

2. Permits will only be issued to those Keepers who can prove the existence of Public Liability Insurance for the craft concerned with a minimum value of £1million. Where the insurance policy produced is restricted to named riders and/or age restrictions, the permit holder will not allow any other rider to use the craft unless that rider has in place an insurance policy of at least the equivalent value. Where the insurance certificate expires prior to 12 months (the duration of the permit), the initial permit will be issued to the expiry date of the insurance. Upon renewal of the insurance, a copy should be forwarded to the Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk so that a secondary permit may be issued for the remainder of the period, 14 days processing time as a minimum should be allowed.
3. Where a vehicle is used to tow and/or to launch a craft, the vehicle must be insured for the purposes of launching craft and for use on the ramps and/or beach. It is the responsibility of the person launching the craft to ensure that appropriate insurance is in place.
4. Datatags are required for all Jet-Skis. Datatag was originally introduced to reduce theft and illegal sale of stolen craft, it is now the accepted equivalent to a car registration number. All Jet-skis have Datatags if they have been manufactured for sale in the UK since the early 90's. Imports may not have this kit but a kit for registration is available from Datatag and selected marine outlets. A Condition of the permit will be that the Datatag number is displayed on the craft.
5. For occasional users, Day Memberships can be obtained at the ramps either from Council staff at Heacham or the Gatekeeper at Hunstanton, upon payment of the appropriate fee and production of suitable insurance and training certificates.
6. An exception to all the above requirements is to be given to the Port Authority, Emergency Services, Lifeboat Vessels, Commercial Vessels with the appropriate licensing and any other craft with the appropriate prior permission in writing from the Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk. This is likely to include those craft involved in any organised event where an event licence has been obtained.
7. All permit holders must consent to their details and personal data being processed by the Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk, for the list of club members being passed to either club and for all those with Datatags their information will be passed to Datatag for the purposes of a speculative search to identify potential stolen craft and where appropriate, pass the supplied information onto law enforcement agencies. To allow Datatag to maintain and update their registered owner details Datatag may contact the registered owner directly.
8. Permits and/or Certificates of Competence must be produced, on request, to any Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk Officer, Club Safety Officer or other nominated official for the purposes of verification and/or recording.
9. Where the conduct of any rider is deemed to constitute a risk to themselves or any other person through inappropriate behaviour, any Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk Officer, Club Safety Officer or other nominated official can request immediate removal of the craft from the water. Offenders may have their launch permits revoked should the Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk feel their continued use of the water is in breach of these conditions or constitutes a safety risk.