ISAF Code of Environmental Friendly Behaviour

Protect our Seas, Lakes and Waterways

Garbage

- *reduce the amount of waste you make (remove packaging before you take things on board)*
- *Re-use whatever you can – (re-fill plastic drinks bottles for example)*
- *Recycle as much as possible – depending on what facilities exist in your country And never throw any waste over the side!*

Sewage

- *Use toilets on-shore whenever possible*
- *Use a holding tank if you have one fitted and empty at least 3 miles from shore*
- *Avoid discharging sewage close to shore and in sensitive habitats*

Pollution

- *Keep your engine well maintained to avoid oil and fuel leaks*
- *Put an absorbent pad in your bilge to collect any oil and dispose of this ashore*
- *When refuelling or carrying out maintenance, take great care not to allow oil and fuel to enter the water*
- *Try to use environmentally friendly cleaning and maintenance products on your boat*
- *Capture any antifouling scrapings and dispose of them appropriately on shore*

Respecting habitats and wildlife

- *Navigate carefully around wildlife on the water – keep your distance!*
- *Launch and recover craft from appropriate sites to avoid damaging or trampling sensitive habitats*
- *Take care when anchoring to avoid damaging the seabed*

Non-native species

- *Apply effective antifouling on a regular basis to help reduce the spread of invasive and damaging non-native species*
- *For craft moved between water bodies, wash down thoroughly on leaving a water body to ensure nothing hitches a ride*
- *Wash off anchors and chains on leaving an anchoring site*