

OFFSHORE POWERBOAT LICENCE APPLICATION - AquaX HOW TO APPLY AND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ISSUE

All UK residents who wish to take part in Powerboat Racing in the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland must hold a valid Powerboat Racing Licence issued by the Royal Yachting Association.

All UK residents who wish to take part in International racing must hold a valid International Powerboat Racing Licence issued by the Royal Yachting Association.

Licenses available are as follows:

Please note: Before applying for an RYA Amateur AquaX Powerboat Racing Licence applicants must have taken the RYA PWC Competency Course and satisfactorily completed an AquaX race-training programme. For information on how to obtain the RYA PWC Competency Course please visit the RYA Training Department site on www.rya.org.uk and details of the AquaX race training dates will be provided by P1 on entry to the series. Once these two training modules have been completed please forward your Licence Application form together with copies of PWC and AquaX certificates to the RYA.

There are two annual categories in the AquaX Series:

1. **AMATEUR** - for first time Licence holders. Riders with minimum or no race experience.
2. **ELITE** — for rider who have previously held RYA race Licence and have a season or more of race experience.

FOREIGN COMPETITORS - Foreign competitors who are resident within the UK and wish to take a UK Licence must:

- i) Have written permission from their National Authority.
- ii) Proof of previous racing experience by the submission of a Powerboat Racing CV with their Licence Application Form.

Note for foreign competitors: The Officer of the Day will require competitors to take a written/oral test prior to racing and demonstrate that they fully understand the racing rules particularly those relating to overtaking and rounding of race marks, together with a full understanding of the International Regulations for the Preventing of Collisions at Sea (G2).

1. EVENT LICENCES: (purchased at each event and issued by Race Secretaries):

An Event Licence provides a competitor with a temporary Powerboat Racing Licence valid only for the duration of the event at which it was issued and restricted to the class as authorised by the Event Officer of the Day and signed by the Race Secretary.

A "Medical Self Declaration" (MSD) form must be completed and signed by the competitor prior to the issue of **each** Event Licence and only a **maximum of two** can be issued with a MSD.

All competitors are required to undertake an AquaX Race Training programme prior to an Event Licence being issued. All Amateurs are required to undertake the RYA PWC competency course. On satisfactory completion of this training the RYA will issue an Event Licence. Full details of the AquaX Race Training programme can be found in the AquaX Racing handbook and on the AquaX website.

Event Licenses will be stamped prior to the race by Race Secretaries to confirm a competitor has paid the fees due and that the paperwork is in order.

Event Licenses will Cost £80 per event.

Note: If a competitor wishes to race with a full RYA Licence there will be no reduction in the full Licence fee to accommodate any Event Licence charges that have been made.

2. POWERBOAT RACING LICENCES FOR THOSE UNDER 18 — (i.e. those who are not yet 18 when they apply for their Licence):

- a) All competitors under the age of 18 are required to submit an RYA Certificate of Competence Form signed and completed with their Licence Application form on an annual basis.
- b) RYA Officials who countersign a Certificate of Competence form are reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure that the named competitor has undergone an AquaX Race Training programme and is in possession of a current RYA PWC Certificate, and in their opinion, is competent to participate in Powerboat Racing for the classes identified on the competitor's Licence Application Form.
- c) Age limit for entering an AquaX competition is 16 years for the 200hp class, and 17 years for the 250hp and 300hp classes on the day of competition.
- d) In the Ski Classes the minimum age for a racer is 14 years old on the day of racing.

3. WHAT DOES THE POWERBOAT RACING LICENCE PROVIDE FOR YOU?

All RYA Provisional, National and International Licence holders will receive free RYA membership. (your membership card and pack will be sent separately to your Licence)

All competitors are provided with Third Party Public Liability insurance whilst racing and during official practice. This cover only applies once the competitor has "signed on" at Race Control at the beginning of the event. All such cover ceases once the competitor has "signed off".

The RYA Powerboat Racing Department is now pleased to offer specialist insurance for Powerboat Racing to all RYA licensed Powerboat competitors. The RYA can now provide insurance for raceboats/skis and their equipment both whilst in transit to and from RYA events and also can provide insurance cover for competitors' boats whilst racing. Full details are enclosed with this application and can also be found on the RYA website.

THIRD PARTY LIABILITY INSURANCE IN UNITED KINGDOM

Payment of the Licence fee ensures that the holder is covered by the Powerboat Racing third party liability insurance policy arranged by the RYA through Gallagher Heath, subject to the terms and conditions of the insurance policy. This insurance policy applies to Powerboat Races (including official practices) organised by the RYA-affiliated clubs and approved by the RYA.

A copy of the insurance policy terms and conditions is available from the RYA Powerboat Racing Department.

10. WHAT DOES THE POWERBOAT RACING LICENCE NOT PROVIDE FOR YOU?

- a) The insurance policies arranged by the RYA do not cover competitor-to-competitor liability.
- b) The insurance policies arranged by the RYA do not cover Personal Accident and Death benefit.

The RYA strongly advise that competitors take out the following insurances before racing:

- a) Personal Accident and Death Benefit.
- b) Legal Expenses cover.
- c) Loss of Earnings insurance.
- d) Travel and Medical Insurance (when travelling to foreign events)
- e) All Year Round Third Party Public Liability (for activities outside of RYA organised Powerboat Racing events) or Comprehensive cover on your boat/ski
- f) Fire, Theft insurance cover on your own craft/trailer — check to see if your car policy covers trailing.
- g) Check all your insurance policies to ascertain whether you are covered whilst Powerboat Racing. It is imperative that you declare this.
- h) **ALWAYS SEEK INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL ADVICE IN INSURANCE MATTERS.**

1. THIS PAGE TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS FOR A RYA LICENCE, including those applying for renewal of an existing licence. Please return this form to the Powerboat P1 in the first instance with the appropriate fee. Note: The RYA as the National Authority reserves the right to refuse a licence to any applicant at its discretion.

2. COMPETITOR DETAILS (PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS):		RYA REFERENCE NO. <input style="width: 150px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Mr/Master/Mrs/Ms/Miss/Other	Date of Birth:	
Full Name:	Age in Years:	
Address:	Sex: Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Club Name: P1	
	Important Medical Information you wish known:	
Post Code:		
Home number (+Area Code)	Glasses worn Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Day Number (+Area Code)	Contact Lenses Worn Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Mobile:	Previous Licence - Category:	
Email:	Previous Licence No:	
Home Page:	Year of Issue:	
Fax Number:	Existing Race Number:	
Nationality:	P1 AquaX Race-Training Certificate no.	
	RYA PWC Training Certificate no.	

3. ENDORSEMENT BY RYA AFFILIATED CLUB: (NB: THE RYA WILL NOT ACCEPT A LICENCE APPLICATION UNLESS FIRST ENDORSED BELOW BY YOUR CLUB (clubs must not sign this form until it has been fully completed). I, the undersigned, certify that I know of no reason why this licence should not be issued, and that the applicant is a member of this club/association. This application also complies to the best of my knowledge, with the rules of licence renewals.

Signed:	Club:	Date:
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Address: Powerboat P1, Queen Anne Mansions, 86/87 Wimpole Street, London, W1G 9RL

Rank:

<p>DO NOT FORGET TO ENCLOSE 4 PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS (NO LARGER THAN 2" X 1½") ATTACH ONE TO THE MEDICAL SECTION ON PAGE 7.</p> <p>PROOF OF YOUR DATE OF BIRTH, IE PHOTOCOPY OF BIRTH CERTIFICATE/PASSPORT/DRIVING LICENCE, TOGETHER WITH THIS APPLICATION AND RELEVANT FEE MADE PAYABLE TO THE "ROYAL YACHTING ASSOCIATION" TO THE P1 ADDRESS ABOVE</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR RYA OFFICE USE:</p> <p>RYA LICENCE NUMBER: PBR:</p> <p>AMOUNT PAID £</p>
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NOW GO TO THE NEXT PAGES. FILL OUT THE DIVISION AND CLASS YOU WANT TO RACE, THEN FILL OUT PART A, THE MEDICAL DECLARATION; GET YOUR DOCTOR TO FILL OUT PART B(ii) AND YOU THEN SIGN THE DISCLAIMER FORM

5. CLASSES AND STATUS RACED

Note: You must tick every status and class/es of licence you require and you just pay the one, greater fee

FAST-TRACK SERVICE – Add £50 to licence fee if you require documentation less than seven working days before an event, or £100 for less than 24 hours - it will be sent back by Special Delivery by the Powerboat Racing Dept direct.

CLASS (Prices incorporate 20% VAT)	✓	COST
AquaX AMATEUR (First time racers)		£79.00
AquaX ELITE (previous RYA licence holders)		£244.00

Annual Event Licences for All National Classes £80 per event – see section 6 for use

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT:

CARD HOLDER'S NAME.....

(NOTE: Is the card registered to the address as shown on page 5? If No, please give details below)

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Please select as appropriate: VISA MASTERCARD MAESTRO SOLO

CARD NUMBER:/...../...../..... **SECURITY CODE:**

START DATE: (if applicable)/..... **EXPIRY DATE**/..... **ISSUE No:**.....

All credit card details will be processed in accordance with current FSA regulations

PAYMENT TOTAL £..... Tick if VAT receipt required

Tick if you require the Fast Track Service:

7 days before event £50 24hours or less before event £100

CHEQUES- Please make payable to 'Royal Yachting Association'

NOW FILL OUT THE REST OF THE FORM CAREFULLY, GETTING YOUR DOCTOR TO FILL IN THE SECTION THAT IS RELEVANT TO HIM/HER USING THE MEDICAL GUIDANCE NOTES PROVIDED.

On occasion an RYA doctor may be present at the event, please check with sport@powerboatp1.com

RYA MEDICAL CERTIFICATE

PART 1. MEDICAL DECLARATION – To be completed by applicant and signed at bottom of form

Surname:	Age:	
First Names in Full:	Date of Birth:	Sex:
Address:		Post Code:

1. Name and address of your regular Doctor

	Continuation of questions for applicant:	YES OR NO
2.	Have you ever been rejected, or accepted at increased premium, for life insurance on medical grounds?	
3.	Have you ever been treated for or do you now have, or have ever had any of the following medical problems:	
	(i) Nervous breakdown, mental disease or disorder?	
	(ii) Head injury associated with unconsciousness or concussion, of which required a stay in hospital for observation or investigation?	
	(iii) Heart disease or disorder or conditions causing shortness of breath on exertion?	
	(iv) High Blood Pressure requiring investigation or treatment?	
	(v) Diabetes?	
	(vi) Epilepsy (when sleeping or awake), fits, dizziness (vertigo), fainting attacks or blackouts of any duration?	
	(vii) Disease of or injury or operation to either eye?	
	(viii) Have you any abnormality or restriction of power or range of movement of any arm or leg or of the Cervical (neck) (Spine)?	
4.	(i) Is your eyesight normal in both eyes?	
	(ii) If the answer to 4(i) is No, is your eyesight normal with spectacles or other correction? When driving (racing) with correction do you wear GLASSES/CONTACT LENSES? (delete as applicable)	
5.	Are you taking any medication on a regular basis (prescribed or non-prescribed)?	
	If so, please declare under Extra Medical Information, the condition being treated and the nature of the medication and provide a copy of a valid medical prescription.	
<p>NOTE: Please answer all questions in the end column Yes or No – your licence may be delayed if this form has to be returned to you for completion.</p> <p>If YES to any part of questions, 2, 3 & 5, please supply full details on a separate sheet.</p>		

EXTRA MEDICAL INFORMATION

If you wish to add to the simple Yes or No answers opposite please make reference to the relevant section and comment on a separate sheet giving details of Hospital or Consultant (Specialist) with dates if possible.

I declare that the statements made to the RYA in Part 1 regarding my physical and mental condition and any previous injury or illness is true and accurate. I further declare that if subsequent to being granted a licence I should suffer any illness or accident which might be liable to affect its validity I will declare this to the RYA so that the RYA can consider whether I should take part in subsequent competition.

(If information is withheld, misleading or false, you may be liable to suspension of your RYA licence and your insurance protection will be invalidated).

I authorise any hospital or medical practitioner to provide information relating to my medical condition to the RYA Medical Officer for the purpose only of helping that Doctor decide if I am fit to undertake powerboat racing.

Signature of Applicant:	Date:
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PART 2A – MEDICAL NOTES FOR THE EXAMINING DOCTOR:

Competitors in powerboat races held under the jurisdiction of the RYA and the RYA affiliated clubs are required to pass the RYA approved medical examination.

No Powerboat Racing licence will be issued until the Medical Examination Form is completed and signed by a Registered Medical Practitioner.

Event Licences however are subject to “self declaration” only and a signature by a Medical Practitioner is not required.

Competitors are required to declare any physical or mental disability.

Competitors must sign the declaration which permits the RYA to request details of their medical history from their General Practitioner or from any hospital or other practitioner. For this reason the examining Doctor is asked to ensure that his full address is entered upon the form.

The fees for the Medical Examination and any Specialist Examinations are the responsibility of the applicant (competitor) and not the RYA, and would normally be expected to follow the guidelines currently recommended by the BMA.

The medical examination should be carried out to a standard similar to that required for Life insurance. Diabetics may apply to the RYA Medical Officer for the issue of a licence to be considered. Epileptic applicants will not be issued for a licence to race.

Applicants who have had, or still suffer from the following may be regarded as unfit to hold a powerboat licence:

- (i) Myocardial infarction
- (ii) Myocardial ischaemia
- (iii) Coronary artery by-pass surgery
- (iv) Serious valvular disease of the heart or other cardio vascular conditions which give rise to cardiopulmonary problems
- (v) Severe hypertension which has given rise to cardiopulmonary problems
- (vi) Misuse/abuse of alcohol or illicit drugs in the last 3 years

Amputations of any type could be incompatible with fitness to race apart from minor amputations of one or two fingers where the normal function of the hand is unimpaired. Absence of a thumb could also be incompatible with fitness. Where the functioning of the limbs is limited free movement should not be less than 50% of normal capability.

Patients requiring the use of any orthopaedic appliance should declare this so that specific consideration can be made of the case by the RYA Medical Officer.

Eyesight:

Normal binocular vision is required with full visual fields, normal eye movements and normal stereoscopic vision. Normal colour vision is required. (Note: if colour deficiency – this can be referred to RYA Medical Officer for second opinion) The vision in each eye to be at least 6/9 either before or after correction. If glasses or contact lenses are worn this should be stated on the form. Contact lenses may be worn provided there is reasonable vision in both eyes without the lenses in place. The visual acuity in each eye to be stated both with and without the contact lenses in place.

The examiner should bear in mind that powerboat racing may take place at high speeds over turbulent water in confined areas, or upon waters used by the public, when considering the suitability of the application (competitor).

Note: Recognised Professional Medical Certificates are acceptable providing the medical examination conforms to the RYA criteria. These certificates are only valid in the year in which they were originally issued; therefore an annual medical examination is still required for subsequent years.

PART 2B – MEDICAL EXAMINER’S REPORT

This section must be completed by a Registered Medical Practitioner. Doctors are asked to note the answers to Part 1 and to read the notes before completing part 2B.

1.

Competitor’s Name (please print)	DOB:	CURRENT PHOTOGRAPH OF COMPETITOR
DOCTOR’S STAMP		<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 100px; margin: 0 auto;"></div> <p style="text-align: center; color: red; font-size: small;">Doctor’s signature confirming this is the person who was examined. Sign across photo.</p>

Medical Examiner’s Report continued:		YES OR NO
2.	Are you the registered medical practitioner of the applicant?	
3.	(i) Is there evidence of abnormality of the Heart, Cardiovascular or Respiratory Systems?	
	(ii) Blood Pressure BP reading: /	
	(iii) Has the applicant had an ECG?	
	If the answer to (iii) is Yes, was this normal? PLEASE PROVIDE REPORT IF THIS WAS ABNORMAL	
4.	Is there evidence of physical or mental condition, past or present, which should, in your opinion, debar the applicant from powerboat racing?	
5.	Is there any abnormality or, or restriction of movement of arms or legs?	
6.	Vision - uncorrected R eye _____ / _____ L eye _____ / _____	
	Corrected R eye _____ / _____ L eye _____ / _____	
	Pupil Reaction L & A R eye _____ / _____ L eye _____ / _____	
	Field of Vision R eye _____ / _____ L eye _____ / _____	
	Is colour vision normal?	
7.	Is urine analysis abnormal for presence of Alb _____ Sugar _____ Blood _____	
8.	Has the applicant used any medication in the past year? If so, please list the medications:	
	(i) In your opinion is any of the medication likely to interfere with the competitor’s ability to partake in powerboat racing?	
9.	Is there evidence that the applicant has misused drugs or alcohol in the past 3 years?	
	If YES to questions 3,4,5 8 & 9, please give details:	

Should a Doctor not approve the applicant, the Medical Examiner’s Report should NOT be signed, but should be forwarded to the RYA with his/her comments recommending whether or not the applicant should be referred to the RYA Hon. Medical Officer.

This is to certify that I have today examined the applicant in accordance with the requirements of this form 2B and advisory notes, and declare that in my opinion he/she is fit to drive a powerboat in competitive races.

Doctor’s Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

PART 3. APPLICATION FOR AquaX RACING LICENCE – to be signed at bottom of form

DECLARATION

- a) I will not take any action which brings the RYA or the sport into disrepute.
- b) I agree to be bound by the rules of AquaX and the RYA, and will not compete in any unauthorised event. I confirm that my application meets these requirements.
- c) I do not hold, and will not apply for a licence from another national authority whilst my RYA licence remains valid.
- d) The medical certificate on page 6 has been completed and signed.
- e) I have read and understood the General Racing rules, the class specific rules, to which my licence refers. I am aware that Harbour Authorities apply bye-laws and regulations and I agree to conform to such bye-laws and regulations when using their waters. I am aware that non-compliance of any of the above rules and regulations could result in RYA disciplinary action. To the best of my knowledge the information given on this form is correct and complete.
- f) **Identification of Risk**
I am fully aware and conscious of the actual and potential risks involved in active water sports, including drowning, hypothermia, physical injuries or death. I accept that, by engaging in active water sports, my physical safety could be endangered. I am also aware that other competitors' actions, or inactions of the organisers of water sports events, including the drivers of safety craft, can also endanger my physical safety.
- g) **Acknowledge of Risk**
I acknowledge that it is up to me personally to assess whether any event or activity on the water is too difficult for me. I acknowledge that the safety of my craft and her entire management including insurance is solely my responsibility, and I am satisfied that the craft is adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the race.

I acknowledge that scrutineering does not constitute a condition survey of the craft and it is solely my responsibility to decide whether or not to start or to continue in any powerboat race. I acknowledge that the efficiency of the helmets and racing vests worn is solely my responsibility.
- h) I have read, understood and agree to abide by the rules set out in P1 AquaX Racing rule book).

NOTE: THE RYA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE THE ISSUE OF A POWERBOAT RACING LICENCE

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE.....

If the applicant is under the age of 18 years this declaration shall be countersigned by parent or guardian. Such signature shall be deemed as approval for the RYA to issue the licence for which application is made.

If applicable, Parent or Guardian's Signature.....

IMPORTANT NOTES

DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE — The Powerboat Racing Division has a ZERO tolerance policy on this, and it would fall under "bringing the sport into disrepute". The medical section of the Licence Application Form has a question relating to any abuse in the past three years. We expect people to be in control of themselves and their craft.

ANTI-DOPING — TUE FORMS

If you are taking drugs for medical reasons which contravene the list of prohibitive substances, you will need to fill out a TUE (Therapeutic Use Exemption) form enclosed and return it with you completed Licence application form — you only need to complete this form if you are racing internationally.

The list can be found on the WADA site www.wada-ama.org

DECLARATION OF MEDICAL FITNESS TO RACE — All fully licensed competitors are required to have a medical examination on an annual basis before the issue of their new documentation. At each race competitors are asked to sign a "declaration of fitness to race" whether they are fully licensed or not, we believe that on some occasions there have been a few whose level of fitness has declined during the season, either through accident, injury or illness. It is imperative to make sure that you are fully fit before participating in an event; bear in mind that to try and recover a fit person after a racing accident is difficult enough, without the added anxiety of trying to recover someone who shouldn't have gone out in the first place. Your actions could have repercussions on our third party insurance — PLEASE THINK CAREFULLY BEFORE PARTICIPATION.

IN THE EVENT OF INJURY:

You will be required to declare whether you have suffered any injuries or trauma during a race. If you are injured during a Powerboat Racing Event and are sent to hospital for examination or treatment, then your Licence will be withdrawn by the organisers (a PB19 form is filled out and your Licence returned to the RYA). You will be sent a copy of the PB19 form and you must get a doctor's signature declaring you fit before you can race again, and your Licence will be reissued.

PROTECTIVE HELMETS: (PB1 rule E30b)

Snell FIA CMR/CMS 2007 will become mandatory for all competitors under the age of 18 from the 1st January 2014. These helmets must not be used by competitor's age 18 years and over.

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