

Hope Boats – Deep Water Mooring Terms and Conditions

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These Terms and Conditions apply to all users of the deep water moorings provided by Hope Boats in Hope Cove. By using any mooring, the user agrees to abide by these terms in full.

1. Mooring Categories and Availability

1.1 Seasonal Moorings (S1, S2, S3, S4)

Moorings S1 to S4 are available for seasonal use from 1st May to 30th September (inclusive).

Use outside this period is not permitted without written consent from Hope Boats.

1.2 Weekly Moorings (W1, W2, W3, W4)

Moorings W1 to W4 are available on a weekly hire basis.

Each booking runs for 7 consecutive days, beginning on Friday at 12:00 noon and ending the following Friday at 12:00 noon.

Early arrival or late departure may result in additional charges or termination of future access.

2. Vessel Limitations

All moorings are strictly for use by vessels up to 7 meters in overall length.

Only recreational vessels are permitted unless specific written permission is granted for commercial or other uses.

No rafting is permitted: tying one or more vessels alongside a moored boat is strictly prohibited on all moorings.

3. Mooring System and Load Capacity

Each mooring is secured using a 20 kg galvanised crown stock anchor.

The tackle includes high-grade mooring chain with a Safe Working Load (SWL) of 530 kg.

All shackles used are stainless steel and fitted with an anti-tamper stainless steel retaining mechanism to ensure secure and reliable performance.

Users must ensure their vessel and mooring configuration do not exceed the stated SWL, especially during strong wind or swell conditions.

Hope Boats is not liable for damage or failure resulting from overloading.

4. Use of the Mooring

It is the customer's responsibility to secure their vessel to the mooring buoy using a bow line and a secondary safety line.

Both lines must be of appropriate length, material, and condition for mooring in exposed coastal conditions.

The vessel must be properly fendered and monitored regularly.

Moorings must not be sublet, reassigned, or shared without express permission from Hope Boats.

5. Weather and Sea Conditions

The moorings are not designed for use in severe or unsettled conditions.

Maximum recommended swell height: 0.8 meters.

Maximum sustained wind speed: 20 knots (Force 5).

Users must vacate the mooring in the event of worsening conditions, including long-period swell or strong onshore wind.

Hope Boats assumes no liability for any consequences of a user's decision to remain on the mooring in adverse conditions.

6. Maintenance and Inspections

Hope Boats installs and maintains all moorings but cannot guarantee continuous service or access.

Users must report any signs of wear, damage, or failure immediately.

Access to the mooring may be required at any time by Hope Boats for inspection, maintenance, or reallocation.

7. Payment

Payment in full is required to secure your booking.

Payment for the mooring is for the period agreed in section 1.

If, for any reason, you are not able to use the mooring (including weather), there are no refunds.

8. Conduct and Environmental Responsibility

Discharge of waste, sewage, or pollutants is strictly prohibited.

Users must respect other vessels, swimmers, and water users within Hope Cove.

Rafting is not permitted under any circumstances.

Antisocial behaviour or damage to mooring equipment may result in immediate termination of mooring rights.

9. Liability and Insurance

Use of any Hope Boats mooring is entirely at the user's own risk.

Hope Boats accepts no responsibility for loss, damage, theft, or injury relating to the use of moorings.

All vessels must be appropriately insured, including third-party liability coverage.

10. Termination and Removal

Hope Boats reserves the right to:

Revoke access for breaches of these terms.

Request immediate removal of a vessel for operational or safety reasons.

Seasonal users must remove their vessels by 30th September. Weekly users must vacate by the end of their designated booking slot.

11. Governing Law

These terms shall be governed by and interpreted under the laws of England and Wales.

I agree to all of the above Terms and Conditions

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Print Name

Signature

Date