

**TERMS & CONDITIONS**  
**ST MAWES RIB HIRE**  
**07891 300078**

**Qualifications**

A minimum qualification of a RYA powerboat level 2 certificate or an ICC is mandatory to meet insurance requirements. The certificate must be shown before the hire commences.

**Insurance**

The boats are fully insured although the charterer is liable for damage to the level of the excess which is £750. The insurers set the excess at this level to discourage carelessness. The Ribs are not insured for water-skiing, wake-boarding or any similar activities so these activities are not permitted.

**Age limit**

There is a minimum age requirement set by the insurers which is 25 years.

**Cruising range**

The boats are Cornwall Council-coded for an area from inside an imaginary line between St Anthony Head and Nare Point (Helford). The Rib is not to be used in the hours of darkness. St Mawes Rib Hire reserves the right to restrict the areas used in certain wind strengths and direction.

**Operating conditions**

The charterer is responsible for the safety of the passengers and needs to drive in a way that does not expose the passengers to risk. Ribs are not suitable for those with an illness or injury for whom shock loads may present a problem. This includes those who have neck, back, hip, knee or foot injuries or who are pregnant. The licence stating the number of persons on the Rib must not be exceeded

**Alcohol and drugs**

The charterer must not have consumed, or be consuming, alcohol or have taken, or is taking, intoxicating drugs. Similarly, the Rib is not suitable for passengers who have consumed alcohol or taken intoxicating drugs.

**The kill cord must be worn at all times**

**Speed Limits**

See separate sheet for limits which must be adhered to.

**Cancellation**

If the weather forecast for the day is too windy or very wet, then the charterer can postpone the day. Boats cancelled within 3 days of the charter date for reasons other than poor weather are chargeable in full.

## **Emergency procedure**

If there is an emergency which cannot be resolved by St Mawes Rib Hire, such as engine failure, or a medical condition, follow the procedure below:

### Using a mobile phone

1. Dial 999 or 112 and ask for the Coastguard
2. Give the location, number of people on board and describe the problem

### Using the VHF radio if fitted

1. Switch to High Power and go to Channel 16
2. Activate DSC Alert
3. Press and hold Transmit button and say:
  - a. *Mayday, Mayday, Mayday,*
  - b. *This is* (give name) and repeat 3 times
  - c. *Mayday* and give name again
4. *My position is* (describe position and give GPS if possible)
5. *We are* (describe the nature of distress, the assistance required, the number of people on board)
6. *Over,* and wait for a response

### As a last resort

Use the flares provided in the safety pack, as directed on the casing