

NFDS BOATSWAIN ‘BO’SUN’

Job Title “NFDS Boatswain”

- 1 Advise on Seamanship matters (boat handling and rigging - general)
- 2 Devise repair and modification schemes for boat and land equipment (consult manufacturer a/r)
- 3 Monitor and advise on waterborne safety aspects
- 4 Monitor condition and use of lifting/pulling equipment
- 5 Provide specialist machining/fabrication services. (See **Note 2**)
- 6 Provide technical support for servo boat systems (mechanical and electronic).

Note 1: Items 1 to 4 should be within the scope/knowledge of any experienced yacht Skipper.

Note 2: In Industrial terms, functions 5 & 6 exist at a relatively basic level. These skills may be available from other NFDS Volunteers but mechanical and electronic disciplines are usually found separately. If the NFDS Boatswain does not have those skills personally, the task is to coordinate those who do have them.

Job Title: “Safety Boat Instructor”

Acceptance & standardisation of new Volunteers with previous PB2 qualification.

Monitor powerboat helm safety standards. Training and advice as required

Note 1: This requires RYA Instructor certification, valid for the craft used at Spinnaker. Absence of a Volunteer with this formal qualification requires the role to revert to the Spinnaker Training Manager, under whose local authority this function is conducted.

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