## **Blakeney Sailing Club Flotilla Sailing Rules**

These Rules are in addition to the Sailing Instructions. Flotilla sailors are encouraged to make themselves familiar with these, particularly those relating to safety.

- 1. In the event of an emergency, instructions will be issued by the Event Organiser (EO) and/or relayed by the Patrol Boat (PB) crews.
- 2. All participants must complete the 'Intention to flotilla sail form' before leaving shore and sign back in when returning to shore.
- 3. The provision of a Patrol Boat does not relieve participants of their responsibilities, as set out in the Sailing Instructions.
- 4. All boats taking part in Flotilla Sailing events should carry anchor/warp, paddle, painter (of adequate length for towing) and bailer (as appropriate for their class of Boat). These are essential items of safety equipment when sailing further down the Harbour particularly if several boats get into trouble at once or boats need to be abandoned.
- 5. Youth Member participating in flotilla events are subject to the conditions in the BSC Youth Policy.
- 6. The possession and use of VHF hand held radios is encouraged. However, their use should be restricted to essential communications only.