



# Blackwater Sailing Club

## Guidelines to Improve Movement of Dinghies on the Ramp

1. Arrive in plenty of time.
2. Rig your boat as much as is possible away from the ramp and bring it up onto the ramp when you are changed and ready to launch.
3. Don't stand in the water blocking the ramp, holding your boat, whilst your crew takes the trolley. Please ask someone on the ramp to take your trolley.
4. People waiting to launch can help by removing trolleys, since someone will do them the courtesy of removing theirs when they come to launch. The idea is to clear the ramp as quickly as possible.
5. If you see a novice having difficulties, please help them get away.
6. The trolleys are moved down to the areas used on club and cadet week, around the daffodil mound and by the shrub pots, not left on the ramp. This will give more space for dinghies and the tractor. Please keep the wash down clear for returning boats and cruiser trailers.
7. Make sure there is a gap to allow trolleys to pass.
8. If there isn't enough water alert the race officer so they can delay the start, rather than people becoming stressed.
9. When the tractor is moving on the ramp, please do not try to bring your dinghy onto the ramp or launch without the approval of the tractor driver or their assistant.
10. When the tractor is moving on the ramp and you wish to land, please circle until the tractor has left the ramp. We did consider a flag but if you don't spot a massive tractor with LED headlights and flashing lights on top you probably won't notice a flag.
11. On returning please help each other getting boats on trolleys, especially for novices and single handers.