

THE INDIVIDUAL BLUE FLAG FOR BOAT OWNERS

The individual Blue Flag is awarded to the interested boat owner/user signing an environmental code of conduct declaring that he/she will act according to the issues outlined in the environmental code of conduct. The individual Blue Flag is not awarded to the boat.

The following issues must be included in the environmental code of conduct:

- * I will not throw garbage into the sea or along the coast
- * I will not release toilet water in the sea in coastal waters and sensitive areas
- * I will not release of poisonous or toxic waste (oil, paint, used batteries, cleaning agents, etc.) in the sea. I will deliver these types of waste to the containers in the marina
- * I will promote and use recycling facilities (glass, paper, etc.)
- * I will use the most environmentally friendly products among paints, anti-fouling, paint remover, detergents, etc, that are available and work efficiently
- * I will instantly report pollution or other violation of environmental regulations to the authorities
- * I will not use forbidden fishing practice and I will respect periods when fishing is prohibited
- * I will protect animals and plants in the sea, including no disturbance of breeding birds, seals or other marine mammals
- * I will respect vulnerable and nature protected areas
- * I will avoid damage of the sea bottom, e.g. in the way that I anchor
- * I will avoid disturbing fishery or fishing gear
- * I will not buy or use objects made from protected species or from archaeological underwater findings
- * I will encourage other sailors also to take care of the environment

Other issues can be included in the national environmental code of conduct.

The small individual Blue Flag for boat owners can be obtained both through the marinas, the national organisations and the Blue Flag Coordination.

The design of and the issues included in the national environmental code of conduct are different from country to country.

The national operator should register the sailors flying the individual Blue Flag in a Blue Flag Environmental Club with name and address.

When producing material about the Blue Flag Programme and press releases the sailors will receive a copy in order to be updated about the Blue Flag Programme.

The Individual Blue Flag for boat owners should be promoted by the national operators and on the Blue Flag website.

ENVIRONMENTAL CODE OF CONDUCT

TO BE RESPECTED WHEN FLYING THE INDIVIDUAL BLUE FLAG



As holder of the individual Blue Flag for boat owners I hereby confirm that I will respect the following environmental code of conduct:

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Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____