

Risk Assessment

BLACKPOOL & FLEETWOOD YACHT CLUB: Training & Open Days

Date of risk assessment: FEB 2018

Undertaken by :A M Airnes, Training Sec.

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing?	Do you need to do anything else to control this risk?	Action by who?	Action by when?	Done
Drowning	Members / Students / Instructors / Members of the public	All to wear buoyancy aids / lifejackets at all times when on the slipways, jetties and on the water. Safety cover to be provided for all water activities. Check boat users can swim. Lifejackets for non swimmers.	Safety cover to attend all capsize incidents within three minutes. Safety crew to assist in righting capsized dinghy and other craft.	No Further Action needed		
Entrapment	Members / Students / Instructors / Members of the public	Masthead buoyancy to be fitted to Laser 2000 and Topper Sport 14 Dinghies. All non training craft used in the activity to be regulated by the owner.	Safety cover to attend all capsize incidents within three minutes. Safety crew to assist in righting capsized dinghy and other craft.	No Further Action needed		
Mass Capsize	Members / Students / Instructors / Members of the public	All safety crew to concentrate actions on ensuring personnel are safe and accounted for.	Safety crew briefed to ignore the recovery of boats and equipment until all 'heads' are counted and safe.	No Further Action needed		
Cold, Immersion, Hypothermia	Members / Students / Instructors / Members of the public	Students briefed on conditions and advised on specific clothing. Instructors to check on students' wellbeing during training. Waterproofs provided for each student Courses only run for beginners May / Sept. Space blankets in each RIB Members of the public monitored for being wet and/or cold by the person in charge of the respective craft, and recovered to shore.	Assess conditions on the day. SI /Principal / Flag officer in charge to abandon sailing if conditions thought unfit.	No Further Action needed		
Injuries - booms	Members / Students / Instructors / Members of the public	All briefed to be 'boom aware' Juniors to wear helmets as determined by SI. Adequate supervision when stepping masts. All boats reefed appropriate to conditions and skill level of sailors.	Monitor accident stats to determine if controls are adequate	Training Sec. and H&S officer after each major event or course		

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Trips and Slips	Members / Students / Instructors/ Members of the public	All advised re mud / damp on slipway Take adequate care on the jetties and ladders Advise of trip hazards in dinghy park (tie downs) Trolleys to be safely stored when sailing	Slip regularly cleaned	Training Sec. and H&S officer and Ships husband to regular monitor		
Fall from Jetties	Members / Students / Instructors / Members of the public	No members of the public allowed on jetties without supervision. All on jetties to wear buoyancy aids or lifejackets as appropriate.	None	No Further Action needed		
Public, Horses, Cycles on Bridleway	Students / Instructors/ Members of the public / Animals	All reminded that access to the general public is required at all times, across top of slipway	Ensure free passage is available. Advise horse riders to be aware of flapping sails	Investigate if further signage is required and marking of the Bridleway	H&S Officer / Ships Husband by Easter 2018	
Sunstroke/ sunburn	Students / Instructors / members of the public	All advised to wear hats and use sunscreen, take drinks on the water	Provide water when bar closed and sunscreen	No Further Action needed		
Strains, sprains when recovering RIBs	Students / Instructors	Adequate help available to recover and launch RIBs	Use small lightweight Highfield RIB when insufficient help is available	Dinghy Committee investigating alternative forms of recovery		
Fast tide / stranding	Students / Instructors	Off water time briefed and fast flood and ebb tides briefed	None	No Further Action needed		
Shard Bridge Height Restriction	Students / Instructors	All warned to keep clear of bridge, particularly on a flood tide	None. See Training Operating Procedures	No Further Action needed		
Other Water users particularly power craft	Students / Instructors/ other water users	All warned to keep good look out for other water users	Main Committee monitoring behavior of powerboat users.	No Further Action needed		<i>*Hint, tab here for new row</i>

You should review your risk assessment if you think it might no longer be valid (eg following an accident in the workplace or if there are any significant changes to hazards, such as new work equipment or work activities)