

RISK ASSESSMENT

Activity : Paddlesport Safety & Rescue Workshop Venue : Devil's Bridge, Kirkby Lonsdale

Assessor : Barry Curley

Assessment Date : 11 November 2018

Review Date : 10 November 2021

HAZARD	RISK	PEOPLE AT RISK	LIKELYHOOD	CONSEQUENCE	CONTROL MEASURES
Activity	Generic risks as below	Entire group	Low – High	Low – High	Leader competency (per coaching & leading remit) Leader first aid trained, adequate first aid & means of contacting emergency services available during the day.
Weather	Hypothermia	Entire Group	Low – High	Low – High	Leader to check weather forecasts prior to event. Ongoing review during the day
	Change in weather / water level (may be rapid)	Entire Group	Low – High	Low – High	Change plans as necessary. Group dressed appropriately; warm clothing available
Environment	Drowning	Entire Group	Low	High	Clear briefings, appropriate PPE properly used. Leader fully trained in CPR Group briefing. Awareness of conditions underfoot, esp. when lifting / carrying. Group Briefing. Awareness of traffic in vicinity at all times, parents to be vigilant.
	Injury due to Slips, Trips and Falls	Entire Group	Low – Medium	Low – High	
	Traffic issues	Entire Group	Low – Medium	Low – High	
Equipment	Injury due to poor manual Handling	Entire Group / Public	Medium	Low – Medium	Clear briefings. Loads broken down or shared
	Injury due to unsuitable / faulty equipment	Entire Group / Public	Medium – High	Low – High	All equipment checked by owner / user with ongoing checks during activity
People	Separation of group	Entire Group	Low	Low	Clear briefings, good group management
	Behaviour of other groups	Entire Group	Low	Low - High	Clear briefings, planning, group control
	Collision with other boat or water users	Entire Group	Low	Low - Medium	Clear briefings, avoid collisions

Venue location - public car park, west of the A65 road bridge, Kirkby Lonsdale, Cumbria LA6 2JR

The nearest (22km) A&E unit is the Royal Lancaster Infirmary, Ashton Road, Lancaster, LA1 4RP Telephone 01524 65944

Parking is free; toilets need 20p coin to access, burgers, bacon butties, hot drinks available at van on bridge