



Risk Assessment; Hadleigh Pool

Activity: SCC's Hadleigh Public Canoe Pool Sessions		Location/Site: Hadleigh Pool	
Hazard	Who might be harmed?	Is the risk adequately controlled?	What further action is necessary to control the risk?
Entering and leaving the water	Instructors/coaches/helpers Paddlers	Code of conduct agreed during previous use of pool that includes no 'seal launching' of boats off the side of the pool avoiding damage to pool-sides and immediate capsize without training. Coaches/helpers support participants entry/exit into and from boats and or the pool.	Coaches/helpers given a good practice discussion before session. All paddlers given a pre-session briefing - action in the event of a capsize is explained here.
Carrying boats	Coaches/helpers Participants	All boat manoeuvres off or from the water including emptying after capsize and completion of sessions are overlooked by coaches and helpers running the sessions who have been trained to BCU standards for carrying. Dual carrying techniques is explained to paddlers.	Coaches/helpers given a good practice discussion before session. All participants given a pre-session briefing.
Pollution	Coaches/helpers Participants	All boats checked and or cleaned before entry in to the pool to avoid contamination of outside substances.	
Drowning	Coaches/helpers Participants	All participants fitted with buoyancy aids to be worn at all times during the sessions. BAs have been checked to CEA standards by the SCC. No free swimmers are allowed in the pool during session unless it is a	Observation by coaches/helpers

		coach organised training exercise, i.e. capsize training or water support by Coaches for the event.	
Entrapment	Instructors/coaches/helpers	All participants supported during capsize and BCU ratio of instructors to participants upheld (1:8). Instructors/coaches/helpers all trained to BCU standards for safe practice.	Poolside observation by Hadleigh Pool lifeguard and water based observation by coaches/helpers. Pre session briefing on leaving boats right way up.
	Participants		
Child Protection	Instructors/helpers	All coaches CRB checked by BCU. Parents and family members poolside.	Poolside observation by Hadleigh Pool lifeguard. Guidelines for SCC child protection policy followed.
	Participants		

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