

SAILING RISK ASSESSMENT

Sailfree / Sailability 2020

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Prepared / Supervision: Sailfree committee

HAZARDS/possible outcomes

RISK

Hazard	Person at Risk	Severity	Control	Likelihood
Slips trips and falls	Trainee/volunteer	Medium	Briefing/appropriate support ratio	Low
Fall collision from wheelchair	Trainee	High	Briefing/appropriate support ratio	Low
Moving & Transferring	Trainee/volunteer	High	Briefing/use of trained staff/volunteers	Low
Hoist collapse/misuse	Trainee/volunteer	High	Staff training Hoist certification Hoist maintained to industry standards	Low
Boom hitting heads (crewed boats)	Trainee	High	Briefing/helmets (helmets not required in access dinghies)	Low
Inversion/Entrapment	Trainee	High	-Instructor or approved helm only /briefing -Mast head buoyancy -centre board fixed with pin in down position on all access dinghies -Automatic inflation gas lifejackets not to be worn -competent Support Boat Crew	Low
Capsize	Trainee	Low	Briefing	Low
Rope burns	Trainee	Low/med	Briefing	Low
Slipway accidents	Trainee/volunteer	Med/high	Briefing	Low
Powerboat injuries	Trainee/volunteer	Med/high	Training	Low
Person overboard.	Trainee	Low	Briefing	Low
Hypothermia	Trainee	High	Briefing & awareness	Low
Sun stroke/burn	Trainee	Med	Briefing, cream & clothes (school staff responsible for sun cream)	Low
Entangled hair	Trainee	Low/med	Briefing, hair tied back	Low
Lost glasses/ personal belongings	Trainee	Low/med	Briefing /glasses retainers (school staff responsibility)	Low

Essential Controls:

- All volunteers follow OSC Sailability / Sailfree manual.
- All regular volunteers to be DBS checked, only those with DBS checks to sail with trainees / Sailfree sailors
- For schools events, all Instructors hold a current First Aid Qualification
- All instructors/volunteers to have read Otley Sailing Club Safety Policy and Procedures Manual 2020 and OSC Sailability / Sailfree manual.
- Boats are not allowed on the water without Support Boat cover in place.
- Support Boats helmed by RYA PBL2 qualified helm and crewed by experienced and competent crew. Briefed before going on water.
- All support boats to operate according to Otley Sailing Club Safety Policy and Procedures Manual 2020 and OSC Sailability / Sailfree manual.
- All instructors/volunteers/trainees to be briefed on safety procedures before being allowed near the water.
- Buoyancy Aids must be worn on the slipway, banks or jetties and on water.
- In the event of a capsize causing possible injury or cold, trainees will be removed from the water by Support Boats and returned to the Club House for recovery
- Trainees to be offered safety helmet whilst sailing. Compulsory for children and young people to Level 2.