

SAILING RISK ASSESSMENT: Sailing Training Courses 2020

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HAZARDS/possible outcomes

RISK

Hazard	Person at Risk	Severity	Control	Likelihood
Boom hitting heads (crewed boats)	Trainee	High	Briefing/helmets	Low
Inversion/Entrapment	C&YP	High	-Instructor training/briefing -Mast head buoyancy -Automatic inflation gas lifejackets not to be worn -Trained Safety Boat Crew	Low
Capsize	Trainee	Low	Briefing	Low
Rope burns	Trainee	Low/med	Briefing	Low
Slipway accidents	Trainee/club member	Med/high	Briefing	Low
Powerboat injuries	Trainee/Instructor	Med/high	Training	Low
Person overboard.	Trainee	Low	Briefing	Low
Hypothermia	Trainee	High	Briefing & awareness	Low
Sun stroke/burn	Trainee	Med	Briefing, cream & clothes	Low
Entangled hair	Trainee	Low/med	Briefing, hair tied back	Low
Entrapment	Trainee	High	Briefing/flotation	Low

Essential Controls:

- All instructors are RYA qualified and under supervision by RYA Senior Instructor.
- All instructors to hold current First Aid Qualification
- All instructors/volunteers to have read Otley Sailing Club Safety Policy and Procedures Manual 2020.
- Boats are not allowed on the water without safety boat cover in place.
- Safety boats manned by RYA Safety Boat qualified helm *and assisted by experienced and competent crew. Briefed before going on water.*
- All safety boat helms to have attended an annual update / assessment at OSC.
- 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 safety boats and returned to the Club House for recovery
- Trainees to be offered safety helmet whilst sailing. Compulsory for C&YP to Level 2. **Note - this does not apply to participants sailing in access dinghies**