

RISK ASSESSMENT

PROJECT TITLE

VENUE

Kayaking and Canoeing

Saltash Waterside

Hazards Identified	Persons at Risk	Measures to control risk	Risk Multipliers			Further measures to control risk	Residual Risk		
			Severity	Likelihood	Risk		S	L	R
Trip and Slip Hazards	All TCA Members and passing public.	Members made aware of the metal rings embedded in the slipway and of its slippery surface when carrying equipment to and from the water. Members instructed not to leave equipment on ground in walkways. Reminders given at each session.	2	2	4	Members advised to wear Bouyancy Aids and helmets when on the slipway.	1	2	2
Manual Handling	All TCA Members	All members given instruction on good practice for lifting and carrying kayaks and canoes. Members strongly encouraged to 'share' loads. Reminders given at each session.	2	2	4	Kayak and canoe trolley wheels available in the boat shed. Young people encouraged to use 4 people to move canoes.	1	1	1
Water. (Drowning and Hypothermia).	All TCA Members	Members must wear a Bouyancy Aid when on the water. Members are all given instruction on how to wear Bouyancy Aids correctly. Members are encouraged to check each others kit. Training in capsizing prevention and rescue techniques is ongoing. Members are instructed on suitable clothing for paddling, and to have dry clothes to change into after. Coaches will not allow a member to paddle if not dressed suitably for the conditions.	3	1	3				
Vehicles and other users.	All TCA Members	All members and coaches are warned to be aware of other users and particularly vehicles launching and/or recovering boats. TCA activities give way and make room for motorised craft and vehicles, both on the water and on the slipway. Members are warned to be aware of Anglers and stay clear of fishing lines.	3	1	3				
Tidal Effects, Moorings and Pontoon.	All TCA Members	Coaches in charge groups on the water will ensure that all floating hazards and their dangers are pointed out and avoided. Special regard being paid to the direction and strength of the tidal flow relative to the hazard.	3	1	3				
River Traffic.	All TCA Members and other river users.	Coaches leading groups on the water will avoid risk of collision with larger vessels by staying out of the main channel whenever possible. Also by maintaining a compact group and giving way to larger vessels when in or crossing the main channel. Particular attention will be paid to being aware of and giving plenty of clearance for sailing yachts that are racing. Also to Jet Skis and Ski Boats travelling to and from the slipway.	3	1	3				

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