



## Open Canoeing - Onsite - Thames Young Mariners

|  | HAZARD                                      | WHO MIGHT BE HARMED        | RISK CONTROL MEASURES   |
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| General (see also site-specific general hazards) | All hazards                                 | All Participants & Staff   | BC qualified Instructor/Coach/Leader to ensure safe supervision of participants. All participants to be briefed clearly throughout session. Staff must follow operational procedures of activity sessions. See 'general' risk assessment for S.O.L.D. centre. |
| Human  | Capsize                                     | All Participants and Staff | All participants must wear buoyancy aids.   |
| Human  | Hit by paddle                               | All Participants and Staff | Participants briefed prior to the session and made aware of potential hazard.   |
| Human  | Recovery after capsizing                    | All Participants and Staff | BC qualified Instructor/Coach/Leader and participants help each other.  |
| Human  | Injury to upper body from deep water rescue | All Participants and Staff | Roll person into boat taking care of upper body. Use a rope or sling as a step-up device. Paddle to shallow area.   |
| Human  | Carrying & lifting                          | All Participants and Staff | Instructor / coaches to brief on good lifting technique and ensure boats are carried with suitable numbers  |

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| Environmental | Drowning capsized, falling overboard, falling in from bank | All Participants and Staff | Participants must wear buoyancy aids. Staff to brief and supervise safe selection including size and condition, use, entering & exiting craft and the water. Staff trained in CST/FSRT/PSRC rescue techniques. Groups to remain in close proximity and line of sight and hearing distance of the instructor. Participants briefed in a capsized drill and to shout swimmer/raise the alarm to the instructor  |
| Equipment     | Rope related accidents                                     | All Participants           | Participants to be taught correct operational techniques. Supervised by BC qualified Instructor/Coach/Leader  |
| Equipment     | Collision with other vessels                               | All Participants and Staff | S.O.L.D staff appropriately trained to deal with situation. Communication means available between staff on the water [Radios]   |
| Equipment     | Lock gates closing on a boat (Entrance to TYM lake)        | All Participants and Staff | All participants are under the supervision of qualified instructors/coach who are all aware of the dangers involved.  |
| Equipment     | Entrapment and entanglement                                | All Participants and Staff | Participants to be taught correct rope and sheet practices and techniques. Supervised by instructor / coach. Any equipment carried should be appropriately secured with no long loose trailing lines or loops. Safety brief given on entrapment if sitting with legs under seats or in air pocket of upturned canoe. Rafted canoes must use appropriate equipment/Spar. Rafting using painters is not allowed to stop "clam shelling". Staff are aware of the stages of rescue for entrapment: swift response, count heads, right the boat, free the participants then rescue the participant. Any lines should be kept short, tidy, elastic maintained so that fixtures and fittings do their job effectively. |
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