

Mercantile Rowing Club Risk Register

Last updated 6th September 2010

UNTREATED RISK							TREATED RISK					
Ref	Risk Description	Causes/Components	Consequences	Likelihood	Consequence	Assessment Score	Control Measure	Likelihood	Consequence	Assessment Score	Responsibility	Action Date
On-water												
1	Collision	Bridges, other boats, bank, floating/submerged object, inadequate lighting	Impact injury, person in water	Likely	Major	High	Publish maps; assess risk daily	Rare	Moderate	Low	Safety Officer & Head Coach	31-Dec-10
2	Capsize	Oars inserted incorrectly, poor technique	Person in water (possible drowning)	Rare	Major	Low						
3	Swamping	Wash from passing boats, damage to hull before boating	Person in water (possible drowning)	Unlikely	Moderate	Moderate	Ensure pre-boating checks carried out; teach how to handle washes	Rare	Moderate	Low	Rowers	Ongoing
4	Fall	Slippery landing or grass	Serious injury	Likely	Major	High	Assess risk weekly & have landing cleaned regularly; repeatedly advise rowers of risk	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Safety Officer & Head Coach	Ongoing
5	Medical Emergency	Over-exertion, unsuitable weather, medical condition	Injury, person in water (possible drowning)	Rare	Moderate	Low						
6	Bacteria	Contact with waterway & surrounds	Infectious disease	Rare	Moderate	Low						
7	Boat failure	Inadequate maintenance, unrepaid damage	Injury, person in water (possible drowning)	Unlikely	Moderate	Moderate	Quarantine system	Rare	Moderate	Low	Safety Officer & Head Coach	Ongoing
8	Fire in launch	Inadequate maintenance, unrepaid damage	Injury, person in water (possible drowning)	Unlikely	Moderate	Moderate	Boat check and quarantine system	Rare	Moderate	Low	Safety Officer & Head Coach	Ongoing
9	Propeller strike	Attempted rescue of rower in water	Serious injury, death	Rare	Major	Low						
10	Missing sculler	Single sculling boating by themselves running into difficulties	Serious injury, death	Unlikely	Major	Moderate	Introduce unaccompanied single sculls tracking board	Rare	Major	Low	Safety Officer & Head Coach	31-Dec-10
11	Rescue service failure (on approach)	Inadequate rescue vessels or equipment, lack of visibility, poor directions	Injury, person in water (possible drowning)	Rare	Major	Low						
12	Rescue service failure (on arrival)	Inadequate training in medical treatment, recovery of rowers from water	Injury, person in water (possible drowning)	Unlikely	Minor	Low						
13	Unqualified rowers, coxes or support personnel	Inadequate checking of competences, poor risk assessment	Injury, person in water (possible drowning)	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Ongoing review of competence	Rare	Minor	Low	Safety Officer & Head Coach	Ongoing
14	Communication failure	Equipment not carried or unserviceable	Delay in rescue	Unlikely	Minor	Low						
Boatshed												
15	Impact injury	Boat & equipment storage, thoroughfares	Abrasions, lacerations, contusions, fractures	Likely	Insignificant	Low						
16	Collision	Pedestrians, cyclists, other boats	Abrasions, lacerations, contusions, fractures	Rare	Moderate	Low						
17	Fall	Balcony, ladder being used to access equipment, stairs	Injury or death	Rare	Major	Low						
18	Slip	Slippery showers, wet floors	Fractures or contusions	Unlikely	Minor	Low						
19	Electrocution	Faulty electrical equipment	Serious injury or death	Rare	Major	Low						
20	Refuelling fire	Undue care, inadequate equipment	Explosion, burns, fire	Rare	Major	Low						
Away Regattas												
21	On-water injury	Unfamiliarity with venue	Injury, death	Unlikely	Minor	Low	New athletes to be briefed by their coaches before attending a new venue	Rare	Minor	Low	Safety Officer & Head Coach	Ongoing
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Boat Towing												
23	Poor Boat Loading	Improper configuration	Trailer top-heavy, injury to driver, passenger or third parties	Unlikely	Major	Moderate	Loading plan to be verified by two people	Rare	Major	Low	Safety Officer & Head Coach	Ongoing
24	Faulty Trailer	Inadequate maintenance, unrepaid damage	Injury, death	Unlikely	Major	Moderate	Trailer to be inspected for damage before every use	Rare	Major	Low	Safety Officer & Head Coach	Ongoing
25	Inadequate towing vehicle	Inadequate planning	Injury	Unlikely	Minor	Low						
26	Collision (Poor Driving)	Inadequate training or planning	Injury, death	Unlikely	Major	Moderate	Head Coach to verify driver's planning & experience before each use of the trailer	Rare	Major	Low	Head Coach	Ongoing
27	Collision (Other)	Inadequate warning signs, poor driving	Injury, death	Rare	Major	Low						