

RISK ASSESSMENT – Pool Sessions - Taverham Swimming Pool

DATE CARRIED OUT: March 2024. Risk Assessor: Nigel Syder



HAZARD	WHO MIGHT BE HARMED	HOW MAY THE RISK BE ADEQUATELY CONTROLLED	WHAT FURTHER ACTION MAY BE REQUIRED?	Review comments / review date
MANUAL HANDLING - LIFTING AND CARRYING CANOES AND KAYAKS	Students Coaches Helpers/parents	Use recommended safe lifting and carrying techniques. Ask for help.	Demonstrations for beginners and new members. Use kayak trolley.	March 2025
SLIPS TRIPS AND FALLS WET SURFACE	Students Coaches Helpers/Parents	No running or playing around the pool area. Walk when coaching or observing from edge of pool. Covers, ropes and equipment stored adjacent to walls and away from pool edge.	Coaches to instruct students, helpers/parents before starting the session. Have one coach observing at all times.	March 2025
DROWNING	Students Coaches Observers	All participants to wear buoyancy aids. Coach to check buoyancy aids are fitted/worn correctly. Instruction in capsize procedures. Supervision for beginners. Advise to keep away from the pool edge.	Have one coach observing at all times. Condition of buoyancy aids checked and tested annually. Induction sessions for beginners and new members.	March 2025
CAPSIZE WITH ENTRAPMENT	Students Coaches	Coach to check equipment (boats and footwear) Instruction in capsize procedures.	Have one coach observing at all times.	March 2025
CAPSIZE	Students Coaches	Boats fitted with sufficient buoyancy to float when capsized. Instruction in capsize procedures. Coaches trained in emptying boats and rescues.	Have one coach observing at all times. Coach checks appropriate craft is used for water conditions. Coach checks appropriate activity for group ability.	March 2025
IMPACT INJURY	Students Coaches	Coach to exercise appropriate control. Helmets to be worn during activities in the pool.	Induction sessions for beginners and new members.	March 2025

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HYPOTHERMIA	Students Coaches	Session activities and clothing are appropriate to conditions.	Sessions cancelled if activities/ clothing are inappropriate to condition.	March 2025
INHERENT RISK; SPRAINS, STRAINS, AND SOFT TISSUE INJURIES.	Students Coaches Helpers/parents	Coaches' safety brief includes disclosure of risks and highlight hazards. Students to provide details of existing medical conditions.	Coach promotes safe paddling practice. Coach first aid qualification is in date. Coach knows where the first aid kit is.	March 2025
COLLISION	Students Coach	Group to be briefed about collision risk. Helmets to be worn during activities in the pool.	Use of dynamic risk assessment.	March 2025