



Newcastle University Sailing and Yachting Club Risk Assessment

Risk Category: One

Last Revised: 09/09/19

Name of club or society etc: Sailing and Yachting		Activity being assessed: Training at DRSC		Date of assessment: 01/07/19 – 30/06/20	
Name of person carrying out assessment: George Haynes		Name of governing body, if applicable: Royal Yachting Association (RYA)		Review date: July 2020	
Hazards identified	Persons who may be harmed	Current control measures	Are the controls adequate yes or no	Further controls needed, if any or comments	
Launching safety boat	Tractor driver	DRSC train drivers of the tractor to ensure safe use	Yes	N/A	
	Safety boat crew	The safety boat engine must be started and warmed up before launching	Yes		
Launching dinghies	All persons	Only 1 passenger in the rescue boat throughout launch	Yes		
		Ensure all sailors are of adequate standard before launching and are confident with their abilities for the weather conditions forecast	Yes		
		Ensure everyone is wearing adequate clothing for the conditions	Yes		
		Check weather forecast for a few days and before leaving for DRSC and launching	Yes		

		Ensure all safety boats have a working VHF radio in case of emergency and other safety boat equipment as detailed by DRSC	Yes	
		Ensure adequate safety cover	Yes	
		Visual inspection of boats whilst rigging in case of damage	Yes	
		Ensure two crew minimum in safety boat at all times both with Powerboat Level 2 (PB2) qualification	Yes	

Name of club or society etc: Sailing and Yachting		Activity being assessed: Sailing at DRSC		Date of assessment: 01/07/19 – 30/06/20	
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Hazards identified	Persons who may be harmed	Current control measures	Are the controls adequate yes or no	Further controls needed, if any or comments	
Bad weather	All team members	Check weather forecast before leaving, particularly in icy or snowy conditions	Yes	N/A	
		Make alternative arrangements or cancel travel if necessary	Yes		
		Wait until next morning if conditions improve	Yes		
Hiring and driving hire vehicles	All team members	Use the hire vehicles as set out in NUSU’s document “Guidance for the Safe Use and Hiring of Vehicles”	Yes		
Team members using private vehicles	All team members	Ensure team member has taken out precautions to have a safe vehicle	Yes		
		Ensure to take adequate breaks whilst driving	Yes		

Name of club or society etc: Sailing and Yachting		Activity being assessed: Travelling to Events		Date of assessment: 01/07/19 – 30/06/20	
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Hazards identified	Persons who may be harmed	Current control measures	Are the controls adequate yes or no	Further controls needed, if any or comments	
Accommodation	All team members	Make sure everyone has a contact number for each other and for the place we are staying.	Yes	N/A	
		Make sure everyone has the address of our accommodation.	Yes		
Racing	All team members	Make sure all members are of adequate standard to compete in an event without damage to the boats or themselves	Yes		
		To follow directions from the host club and race committee as set out in the Notice of Race (NOR) and Sailing Instructions (SIs)	Yes		

Name of club or society etc: Sailing and Yachting		Activity being assessed: Yachting		Date of assessment: 01/07/19 – 30/06/20	
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Hazards identified	Persons who may be harmed	Current control measures	Are the controls adequate yes or no	Further controls needed, if any or comments	
Condition of yacht	All yachting team	Ensure yacht is kept under good condition – a duty held jointly between the yachting captains	Yes	N/A	
Training	All yachting team	Online document of conditions of boat to be kept online and addressed ASAP	Yes		
		Training to be run in accordance with the standards and rules set out by Royal Northumberland Yacht Club	Yes		
		Training to be on race days which is usually Saturdays and Sundays	Yes		
		Adequate buoyancy equipment to be worn by all members of the team	Yes		

Boat Maintenance	All club members involved in maintenance	Navigation lights needed for fog/adverse weather	Yes	Current navigation lights need to be replaced by next year - to be applied for in safety grant or otherwise taken from members account
		Getting up mast to perform essential repairs and maintenance	Yes	Climbing harness available in club
		Wear on anode on propeller shaft necessary for emergency propulsion	No	Anode to be applied for in safety grant

Name of club or society etc: Sailing and Yachting		Activity being assessed: Social Sailing		Date of assessment: 01/07/19 – 30/06/20	
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Buoyancy	People participating in RYA courses	Buoyancy aids 50N. New equipment this year.	No	Current equipment is sufficient, but a higher quantity is required. Apply for more new buoyancy aids in the safety grant to add to our current stock.	
Keeping warm	People participating in RYA courses	Wetsuits in DRSC. New equipment this year.	No	Current equipment is sufficient, but a higher quantity is required. New wetsuits to be applied for in safety grant to add to current stock	