

COVID-19 RISK ASSESSMENT

As a Canoe Wales accredited provider we are completing a COVID-19 Risk Assessment for all activities to sit alongside our normal risk assessment. We acknowledge that a risk assessment is only the first step of the process of risk management so we undertake to communicate our safety protocols to all participants, updated continually for each coaching and competition event.

ACTIVITY & VENUE	Improver>Intermediate Coaching Course	ASSESSMENT COMPLETED BY	Benjamin Edom	DATE OF LAST REVIEW	14/7/2020
HAZARD	WHO MIGHT BE HARMED?	POSSIBLE CONTROL MEASURES FOR THIS HAZARD		CONTROL MEASURES FOR THIS EVENT	
Spread of the virus through close contact between participants and coach	Participants, Coach	Paddle in small groups (size based on current government guidance); Minimise use of shuttles; Ensure 2m distance between everyone; Social distancing protocols such as one-way system, booking system, controlling number of people in a given area, signage, communication to participants; Follow current government first aid guidance; Consider which rescue techniques to use to avoid close contact.			
Spread of the virus through contact with other water users or members of the public	Participants, coach, members of the public	Follow all Welsh Government advice about travel.			

HAZARD	WHO MIGHT BE HARMED?	POSSIBLE CONTROL MEASURES FOR THIS HAZARD	CONTROL MEASURES FOR THIS EVENT
Spread of the virus through contact with contaminated surfaces	Participants, coach, members of the public	Avoid sharing equipment. Wash all equipment between uses according to Canoe Wales guidelines or leave 72 hours between use of each item; Regularly wipe down high contact surfaces; Have handwashing facilities and hand sanitiser available and use them regularly.	
Pressure on local emergency services caused by paddlesport incidents or accidents	First responders, other members of the public in need of emergency services	Keep group activities well within the capabilities of all participants.	
Conflict with other water users or members of the public	Participants, coach	Respect any closures - only use open access points and waterways; Respect rural communities and other water users and calmly diffuse any conflict; Be sensitive to the environment, i.e. be careful not to disturb nesting birds; Report any incidents to Canoe Wales.	