


WELTON WATERS ADVENTURE CENTRE RISK ASSESSMENT

Activity: POWERBOATING		Location: INLAND / SITE LAKE			
Hazard	Risk	Who	Risk Rating	Control Measure	Out Come
Arriving On Site	None	All	Medium	All participants MUST report to the main office upstairs on arrival to register. All participants MUST complete a booking form and MUST state any medical conditions and medication needed.	Low
First Aid Control	Accidents & Injuries	All	High	A First Aider MUST be on site at ALL times. First Aid kit MUST be available at ALL times containing foil blanket. Proximity of warm building. Accident procedure to be actioned, accident book MUST be completed and emergency procedure followed.	Low
Water	Drowning Hypothermia Illness	Users Staff	Medium	All participants must wear buoyancy aids/life jackets at ALL times. All participants MUST be confident in water but not necessarily swimmers. Monitor water for any pollution. Instructor to designate suitable and safe operating area.	Low
Powerboat	Personal Injury	Users Staff	Medium	All powerboat drivers must hold a minimum RYA Powerboat L2 Award unless under instruction by an RYA Powerboat Instructor. Person's age 16 and under holding a L2 certificate can drive a powerboat under the supervision of an adult who MUST also hold a L2 certificate. KILL CORD MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES. Turn off engine when in close proximity to people in water. Instructor to carry VHF radio when operating powerboat (Channel M2)	Low
Engine	Personal Injury Fire	Users Staff	High	Fire extinguisher (Dry Powder) to be present and in good working order at all times. Instructor to follow RYA procedures for stop/start and kill cord checks.	Low
Transporting Fuel from the Fuel Store to Powerboats	Personal Injury	Users Staff	Medium	Adhere to manual handling best practices. When on the pontoons buoyancy aids or life jackets must be worn. All participants must wear appropriate footwear. Care must be taken when environmental influences affect the outside work place e.g. ice on the path, wet grass etc. Only persons OVER 17 can handle fuel. Funnel MUST be used when decanting fuel.	Low
Decanting Fuel	Personal Injury	Users Staff	High	Ensure that the no naked flame/no smoking policy is in force. Use funnel to limit spillages. Report all spillages immediately to Principle or Centre Manager.	Low
Other Lake Users	Personal Injury	Users Staff	Medium	Vigilance at all times by powerboat driver and crew. Safe Speed (IRPCS Rule 5 - Good look out at ALL times, Rule 6 - Maintain a safe speed at all times)	Low

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Handling Powerboat on Trolley	Personal Injury	Users Staff	High	Always attach winch cable and designated strap before powerboat is moved to slipway. Stow powerboat safety equipment in powerboat before wheeling out of boathouse. WWAC staff only to operate winch.	Low
Winching Powerboat	Personal Injury	Users Staff	High	Adhere to manual handling best practices. Place warning cones either side of winch cable. Only trained winch operators are allowed to operate the winch. No personnel to step over winch cable when in operation. Only use designated winch straps to connect boat to winch cable. No personnel to pass behind the powerboat when winch is in operation.	Low
Weather	Hypothermia Sunstroke	Users Staff	Medium	Correct clothing MUST be worn for weather and water conditions. Proximity of warm building. Adequate protection from sun. In the event of thunder and/or lightning ALL participants MUST evacuate the water. Evacuation procedure is 3 blasts of a fog horn or whistle. No return to water until 30 mins. after last thunder and 45 mins. after last lightning.	Low
		Risk Assessment completed by: Print....Pete Blaney..... Sign.. <i>P Blaney</i>		Date of Risk Assessment: 1st October 2020 Risk Assessments to be continually revised	