



Water Safety Event Safety Audit

Hants & Dorset ARA Safety Committee

Suitable for processional race, regatta and rowing event organisers

EVENT Itchen Imperial Regatta

DATE (of event) 18th September 2021

QUES	Yes	No	NA	
1.0 1.1 1.2 1.3	Has a person been appointed to act as Water Safety Adviser for the event as required by the HDARA Safety Committee and the BR RowSafe document. Is the Water Safety Adviser a member of the Organising Committee? Is Water Safety a regular item at each meeting of the Organising Committee? Is Water Safety part of the event review?	X X X		
2.0	Has a Risk Assessment been undertaken covering situations on both land and water?	Х		
2.1	Is the nature of the course taken into account including the start and finish area, the room for crews to overtake over the majority of the course and room to accommodate other water users or crews not racing?	X		
2.2	Is the Risk Assessment reviewed after each event taking account of previous incidents, changes to the course or new hazards?	X		
3.0 3.1	Has a Safety Plan been formulated, based on your Risk Assessment? Does the Safety Plan cover the decision making process for cancellation due to inclement conditions, rules applying to the event, communications, medical and first aid, the start and finish, Race Monitors/Umpires, instructions to officials and	X		
3.2	competitors, emergency vehicle access and an Accident and Emergency Action Plan? Has the Safety Plan been shown to the police, water authority, ambulance service, life saving and first aid organisations to confirm that the event can take place under	Х		
3.3	safe conditions for both competitors and the general public. Do you ensure that officials, safety boat crews, umpires, first aiders and medical officer are fully briefed about your Accident and Emergency Action Plan?	X	X	
4.0	First Aid:			
4.1	Do you provide first aid cover?	Χ		
4.2	Do you instruct your First aid Provider to be on station at least one hour before the start of the event.	Х		
4.3	Do you appoint a Medical Adviser to ensure that all medical aspects, recovery and first aid are put in place?		X	
4.4	Is there a Defibrillator available at the Event venue? If not how close is the nearest unit.	Х		
4.5	Are your First Aid Providers equipped with a Defibrillator and are they trained in its use.	Х		
4.6	Do you ensure that competitors, supporters and the general public know where to obtain first aid?	Х		
4.7	Do you have a medically qualified person on site to provide general medical support and advice?		X	
4.8	Do you have a method of communication to summon first aid to an accident?	Х		





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			Yes	No	
	5.0 5.1	Safety boats Do you provide safety boats suitable for the task in sufficient numbers to provide rapid response?	X		
	5.2	Are the crews of your safety boats competent in boat handling and rescue techniques (preferably trained to RYA Powerboat Level 2)?	X		
	5.3	Do your safety boats carry buoyancy aids, line throwing equipment, thermal blankets, first aid equipment, bailer, knife, paddle, engine cut-out lanyard device, anchor and line and simple hand holds fixed to the side?			
	5.4 5.5	Are the crews in radio contact with Event Control? Do you provide lifejackets/buoyancy aids for all safety boat crews on duty?	X		
	0 6.1 6.2 6.3 6.4	Umpires launches Do your Umpires' launches carry buoyancy aids, line throwing equipment, thermal blankets and first aid equipment? Do you provide lifejackets/buoyancy aids for all Launch Umpires when on duty? Do you instruct your Umpires that in the event of an accident their first duty is to the safety of the competitor? Do you provide Launch Umpires with radio communication and loudhailers?	X X X		
	. 0 7.1 7.2	Bank Umpiring: Where practical do you provide your Bank Umpires with line throwing equipment? Do you provide radio communication and loudhailers for Bank Umpires?			X
	0 8.1 8.2	Race Monitors in Processional Races Do you appoint sufficient Race Monitors so that between them they can observe the full course? Do you place Race Monitors in positions where there are tight bends, narrow passages that prevent overtaking, or where special care needs to be taken?			X
	8.3	Do you provide Race Monitors with radio communication and loud hailers?			Χ
	. 0 9.1	Instructions to Officials and Competitors Do you provide officials and competitors with instructions which include local racing rules, navigation rules, flow pattern and identification of local hazards together with a plan of the course illustrating these features?	X		
	9.2	Do you advise competitors of the actions they should take in the event of an accident together with emergency telephone numbers and the location of the nearest telephone?	X		
	9.3 9.4	Do you provide officials with specific instructions regarding their particular duty? Do you instruct course officials and safety launch crews to be in position prior to crews boating?	X	X	
1(0.0	Do you have a system to check that competitors' boats are in a safe condition to race before embarkation is allowed i.e. bow balls secure, heal release mechanisms secure and working, rudder lines and fine in good working order?	X		
1	1.0	Where required to you display warning notices of the event to other water users and			
1	1.1	the actions they should take? Where practical do you clearly buoy the racing course and traffic lanes for other passing river users as required by the local navigation or harbour authority?	X		





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Statement by	the event:					
This safety audit has been undertaken thoroughly and the response to the questions truly reflect the events compliance with the HDARA Safety Committee recommendations and the BR RowSafe document. Print Name Gary Joyce Position held Event Safety Advisor						
Signed	Gary Joyce					
On the satisfactory completion of an audit the Certificate of Compliance below will be signed.						
On the Satistac	tory completion of an additure certificate of compliance below will be signed.					
This is to certify that the Safety Procedures of						
were audited on and found to comply with the requirements of the HDARA Safety						
recommendations and the BR RowSafe document.						
Signed	H&D/Wessex Safety Sub Committee.					
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