TUDOR SAILING CLUB, DINGHY SECTION

RISK ASSESSMENT for Dinghy Sailing

RESPONSIBLE PERSON	Peter Codd
CURRENT DATE	03/09/20
DATE LAST ASSESSED	03/09/20

1. Which work activity is being assessed?

Dinghy Sailing – undertaking dinghy sailing is entirely the sailor's responsibility and at their risk. The following are some generic hazards that can apply and control measures that the individual should be cognisant of.

Hazard Number	What hazards have been identified with the activity? (add rows as necessary)	What controls are already in place to protect personnel from harm?
1	Immersion - result of capsize - result of collision - result of equipment failure	Buoyancy aid is mandatory. Understand the risks and symptoms associated with cold water immersion such as cold shock and post rescue collapse. Appropriate clothing for coping with cold water effects.
2	Change in weather conditions	Plan trip with regards to a reliable weather forecast and tidal conditions. Ensure future conditions are within your / your boat's capabilities. Particularly if going out of harbour carry compass and whistle for coping with fog conditions.
3	Hypothermia / exhaustion / sun stroke	Wear appropriate windproof jacket and dry or wet suit for coping with sudden immersion. For winter series, use Dry suit with extra clothing. In summer, take water and use sun protection.
4	Geography of Langstone Harbour. - Grounding - Damage to boat - Unable to exit harbour - Fast tides - Moored boats and moorings	Be familiar with both the low tide and high tide waterways within Langstone Harbour. Do not sail over the extensive mudflats with a falling tide. Be aware of fast tides particularly towards the harbour mouth. Take particular care if passing through moorings to avoid being caught up in ropes/chains/ buoys. Take a mobile phone or VHF radio for contact with emergency services.
5	Collision	Observe Regulations for Prevention of Collision at Sea and RYA Handy Guide to racing rules. Take particular care on either side of high tide for the dredger movements as they have no flexibility for avoiding small boats. Be observant at all times, particularly of your own manoeuvres and near any powered craft.
6	Launching / Recovery	Take particular care of wind shifts and gusts . For recovery, approach at sensible speed, turning upwind and safely adjusting the keel / daggerboard.

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7	Slipway - Edges - Algae growth - Trailling ropes	Sailors to use appropriate footwear and be aware of slippery surface and edges of slipway.
8	Entrapment by harness / rigging	Should carry a suitable knife for freeing from entrapping sheets. For trapeze boats, quick-release harnesses should be considered.
9	Equipment failure.	Check all fittings and ropes before launch.
10	Further dangers due to current health crisis	Club and government guidance to be followed at all times. See current version of Restarting On the Water Activities

To assess the risk factor arising from the hazard;

- \$\Display \text{ Select the expression for likelihood which most applies to the hazard
- \$\Displays \text{ Select the expression for severity of harm which most applies to the hazard
- ‡ Cross reference using the risk estimator table below to determine the level of risk

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2. What is the risk factor? Cross reference			
	Severity of Harm		
Likelihood of Harm	Slight Harm	Moderate Harm	Extreme Harm
Very Unlikely	VERY LOW RISK	VERY LOW RISK	HIGH RISK
Unlikely	VERY LOW RISK	MEDIUM RISK	VERY HIGH RISK
Likely	LOW RISK	HIGH RISK	VERY HIGH RISK
Very Likely	LOW RISK	VERY HIGH RISK	VERY HIGH RISK

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	Hazard Number	Likelihood of Harm	Severity of Harm	Risk Factor
	1.	Likely	Moderate	Medium
	2.	Likely	Slight	Low
	3	Very Unlikely	Extreme Harm	High
	4.	Unlikely	Moderate	Medium
	5.	Unlikely	Moderate	Medium
	6.	Likely	Slight	Low

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7.	Likely	Slight	Low
8	Unlikely	Moderate	Medium
9	Unlikely	Moderate	Medium
10	Unlikely	Moderate	Medium

ASSESSMENT REVIEW DATE	09/09/2020	
Signed by		
Date(Responsible person)		