

RISK ASSESSMENT 2010

READING TOWN REGATTA, THAMES VALLEY PARK REGATTA

	Hazard	Risk	Existing Control Measures	Severity	Freq.	Action Outstanding	Timescale
Serial 1	<p>Those associated with boating</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Racing Safety -Boat Park Area -Boating Area -On the water - Physical failures / illness 	<p>Collisions with other boats, banks and sinkings. Competitors suffering from the effect of cold water immersion.</p>	<p>Event conducted within British Rowing (BR) Row Safe rules. Reliance on competence of competitors. Umpires carry out random checks of some aspects of the Row Safe to audit the duty of care of clubs and competitors to boat only in boats that are compliant with the code. Such checks do not constitute a warranty that the boat is safe. No boats will be allowed on the water without a check that all coxes are wearing an appropriate life jacket. All racing is under BR rules with umpiring. Water Safety Boats, Red Cross and Doctor are attending. Safety equipment is on all umpires' launches</p>	5	3	<p>Instructions sent out in accordance with rule 223 Boating & Navigation instructions posted at Crew Stewards and Race Control. ARA Handbook detailing racing rules and regulations at Race Control</p>	In place on day
Serial 2	Navigation Channel	Collisions with other boats, banks and sinkings	Boating and Navigation instructions issued to all competitors. Presence of Water Safety	5	2	Navigation Channel and course to be clearly buoyed and signed at both ends	In place on day

Serial 3	Land Safety	Collisions	craft on course and in Navigation Channel Umpires present in Boating area Separate Boat racks provided adjacent to boating area for boat storage. Red Cross and Doctor in attendance	2	2	with floating signage Umpires present in Boating area	In place on day
Serial 4	Marquees and tented structures including bar	Wind Damage, Structural Failure (guys, poles)	Wind sheer effects minimised, structures erected by trained professionals using high quality materials fit for purpose.	3	1	Check structure with contractor on erection	Immediately prior to opening
Serial 5	Electrical Provision	Electric Shock	Installation by professional contractors.	5	1	Check with contractor on completion	Re check on day of event
Serial 6	Combustible structures and decorations	Fire, caused by cigarettes etc.	On site attendance of Red Cross and Doctor Fire extinguishers in main	6	1	Place on day of event	Place on day of event

			marquee and bar area. Waterside Centre fire provision as per requirements and in line with WDC requirements				
Serial 7	Food/Bar/Side stalls	Misuse of equipment / hygiene issues	Trained personnel manning stall with Food Safety certificate where relevant. Doctor and Red Cross on site	2	2	Rebrief personnel on day of event	On morning of event
Serial 8	Terrorist attack/Air Crash	Bomb / chemical attack/Air Crash	Police aware of events. Ambulance and Doctor on site. Full radio comms. available across site. Regatta Control will manage evacuation of site until arrival of Emergency services	6	1	Monitor weather conditions, structural checks: guys etc. All staff briefed on evacuation procedure. General security announcements On day.	On day
Serial 9	Wildlife hazards / incidents	Swans/geese/ ducks stray onto course	General duty of water safety patrols and umpires to observe and	2	2	Re-brief on morning of regattas	On day

Serial 10	Umpire Towers	<p>leading to collision / sinking</p> <p>Public may climb tower ladders and cause injury through falling</p>	<p>ensure course is kept clear</p> <p>All towers / ladders / access to be made safe and inaccessible to public</p>	3	2	<p>Structures to be checked on completion by contractor and made safe by Committee on site</p>	<p>On completion and when not in use for regatta</p>
Serial 11	Vehicle / people risk on site	<p>Eg vehicle crashes, vehicle / people collisions</p>	<p>Car Park (marshalled) for all visitors to the site with separate access next to security building on Thames Valley Park. No vehicles except specific officials and boat trailers/minibuses in designated areas will be on the site at any time (fenced off). Officials' car park with restricted access (marshalled)</p>	3	2	<p>All Marshalls briefed prior to event and again on morning of event</p>	<p>Prior and On day</p>
Serial 12	Avian Flu	<p>Animal waste on bank/boating area</p>	<p>Swans will be removed and any waste in the boating area will be cleared / washed down</p>	2	2	<p>Clearing task to be allocated the day before event</p>	<p>On day</p>

			prior to the event commencing				
Serial 13	Competitors	Dehydration if a warm day	Water provided via taps at rear of main Marquee in competitor preparation area. Bottled water on sale if preferred.	2	3	Team tasked with providing this during Regatta set up	Day before
Serial 14	Competitors	Hypothermia if cold / exposed to water	Ensure crews adequately dressed as per BR Row Safe rules	2	3	Crew Stewards and Umpires to check on day	On day
Serial 15	Competitors	Lightning – eg with carbon fibre oars etc being carried	Ensure crews aware – Race Committee to decide if safe etc Crews to be informed at check in of any risk. 30-30 rule applies.	5	3	Announcements on day if lightning risk – may result in racing being stopped – Safety Officer and Race Committee	On day
Serial 16	All other incidents	Eg Near misses	General duty of water safety patrols and umpires to observe and inform. All events to be recorded in Incident book at Regatta control.	3	1	Rebrief on morning.	On day
			In the event of any emergency this will be informed to Regatta Control in person or via Radio link. The Duty Controller will assume	2	2	Rebrief on morning.	On day

			control of the incident calling for radio silence except for those dealing with the incident. Help will be summoned where necessary, with racing suspended immediately if the incident has occurred on the course. Should the incident require assistance beyond that which is available on site then 999 will be called by Regatta control				
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Frequency 1=Highly improbable occurrence 2= Remotely possible occurrence 3= Occasional occurrence 4= Fairly frequent occurrence 5= Frequent and regular occurrence 6= Almost a certainty.

Severity 1= Negligible injuries 2= Minor injuries 3= Major injuries 4= Multiple major injuries 5= Single fatality 6= Multiple fatality

36-26 Action now 25-17 Action within 3 months 16-6 Action within 6 months.