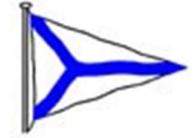


Avon Sailing Club

Risk Assessments



Last review date: August 2024

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Next review date: August 2025

List of hazards / areas of risk

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Fire	Aug 24
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RAG table

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Severity

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Fire	Members Visitors	L	H		Separate fire risk assessment in place	Review fire risk assessment when significant changes made on site	Rear Commodore Site	ongoing	Aug 24
Accidents / injuries	Members Visitors Activity participants Those undertaking maintenance	M	M		First aid bag maintained within clubhouse. Checked monthly	To be hung on wall and check list added	Vice Commodore	16/8/14	Aug 24
	Safety boats carry an emergency pack including a knife, throw line, medical pads, medical tape and spare kill cord. Checked at beginning of season and before training.				None			Aug 24	
	List of qualified First Aiders maintained, and training provided as required.				List of First Aiders to be added bag	Training Principal	16/8/24	Aug 24	
	Accident book retained with first aid bag to record all injuries and near misses, which are reviewed monthly at General Committee.				None			Aug 24	
	Defibrillator on site.				To be wall hung next to bar on completion of refurbishment	Commodore	16/8/24	Aug 24	
	Helmets are available at the Club for use by members at their own discretion. They are strongly recommended for under 18's in stronger wind conditions.				None			Aug 24	

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					must be taken in each safety boat when supervising an organised activity. A radio must always be left on land with the OOD / activity organiser or with a nominated individual.				
Launching and recovery of boats	Those launching safety boats	L	M		Designated slipway provided for launching and recovery. Water pump and hose together with scraper provided for clearing mud from slipway when required.	None			
	Those launching their own boats				Additional people called on to help with launch and recovery of heavier boats.	None			
	Those using the public footpath				When vehicles are used for launching (and the slipway is being/might be used by others) a 2 nd person should be positioned to watch and ensure slipway is clear.	None			Aug 24
					Whilst measures are taken to clear the slipway of excess mud the nature of the river means that it cannot always be completely clear. Those using the slipway should wear footwear appropriate for the conditions.	None			
Drowning	All sailors and those taking part in water-based activities	L	H		Club rules require all non-swimmers and juniors (under 16) to wear a buoyancy aid when afloat or on the pontoons.	None			Aug 24
	Young children Swimmers Visitors				Club safety boat(s) are on the water for all club organised activities and permanently manned subject to experience / age of those on the water and weather conditions. The organiser of the activity (usually OOD or training coordinator) is responsible for ensuring appropriate safety boat cover.	None			

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	Members of the public				Two life belts are located on the clubhouse veranda.	None			
					Activities based around water carry a risk of drowning. The club takes appropriate measures to reduce the risk, however, members and their visitors accept personal responsibility for managing their own risk when on site or taking part in club or independent activities.	None			
					In general, the Club grounds present no greater risk to members of the public using the public right of way than the rest of the right of way along the river bank.	None			Aug 24
Contaminated water / Weil's disease	Those undertaking water-based activities or coming into contact with the water. Higher risk associated with those immersing in the water for longer periods of time e.g., swimming or children playing in the water	L	M		Weil's disease is not believed to present a high risk due to no confirmed cases being traced / reported back to the Club. A notice is displayed in the club giving details of the symptoms and action to be taken if the disease is suspected.	Notice removed during refurbishment. New notice to be put in place.	Training Principal	16/8/24	Aug 24
Cold	All those undertaking water-based	L	H		Club rules recommends that in spring and winter or other adverse conditions sailors should wear suitable protective				Aug 24

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	activities, particularly in winter and spring				thermal clothing e.g., wet suit or dry suit.				
					Club safety boat(s) are on the water for all club organised activities and permanently manned subject to experience / age of those on the water and weather conditions. The organiser of the activity (usually OOD or training coordinator) is responsible for ensuring appropriate safety boat cover.	None	n/a	n/a	
					First Aiders are trained in dealing with cold / hypothermia.				Aug 24
Mowing / trimming	Those undertaking mowing / strimming and those nearby	L	M		Use of equipment restricted to competent adults that have been briefed on the operation and use of the equipment.	None	n/a	n/a	
					Equipment regularly maintained with guards checked and in place.	Review need for a record of safety related maintenance/checks for key equipment?	Rear Commodore site	tbc	Aug 24
					PPE requirements to be assessed by those operating equipment depending on the task undertaken and length of use. Eye and ear protection available at the Club. Any other PPE deemed necessary for the task to be provided by the user, as dependant on size.				
Power tools	Those operating power tools and those nearby	L	M		No club power tools provided	None			Aug 24
					Members using their own equipment are responsible for its maintenance and providing appropriate PPE.	None			
Manual handling	Those involved in lifting and or moving	L	M		There are no specific weight limits so those lifting or moving heavy items should consider the following:	None			

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The task - How long will it take, from where-to-where etc -The individual – Know your own limits, can others help etc -The load – How heavy, size, shape, can it be split down etc. -The environment – Is there enough space, can the task be made easier. 				
Working at height	Those working or needing to access equipment that cannot be reached from ground level	L	H		There are few tasks that require working at height. Step ladders are provided in the changing rooms for access to the sail loft and general use within the clubhouse.	None			
					Some significant maintenance activities such as external maintenance of the club house and roof repairs may require work at height. In these circumstances the Rear Commodore Site will assess the activity and appropriate mitigations such as use of scaffold tower.	None			Aug 24
Portable Electrical appliances (Electrocution)	Members Visitors	L	M		There are a number of electrical appliances used by members and visitors including, dishwasher, kettles, water boiler, microwave, computer. PAT testing to take place annually.				Aug
Camping electrics (Electrocution)	Those camping Those in or around the camping field	L	H		No power provided for camping in the field.	Consider installation of electric hook up points within the camping field with appropriate connections and protection when funds allow.	Rear Commodore Site	tbc	Aug
Chemicals (Substances hazardous to health)	Cleaner Members using cleaning materials	L	M		Substances hazard to health to be stored in locked cupboard. Cleaner brings own supplies.	Storage requirement in kitchen to be reviewed as part of kitchen refurbishment.	Rear Commodore House	tbc	Aug

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	Children who come into contact with chemicals								
Food preparation / Hygiene	Members preparing food and drink Members and visitors consuming food and drink	L	M		<p>Kitchen inspected by Local Authority Health & Safety and Food hygiene rating level 5 obtained.</p> <p>Regular catering restricted to serving of hot and cold beverages and cakes / biscuits prepared off site.</p> <p>In-house catering is provided for some social events and the club has several members of the club that have undertaken food hygiene and preparation courses.</p> <p>There is a dedicated fridge in the kitchen for use by those serving drinks / snacks etc.</p> <p>For larger events, camping fridges may be dedicated for catering purposes only.</p> <p>Separate hand washing sink is provided in the kitchen.</p> <p>Paper towel dispenser and disposable gloved provided.</p>	Inspection to be arranged following kitchen refurbishment.	Reas Commodore House	Aug 24	Aug 24
Food storage	Members preparing food. Members and visitors storing food in the campers' fridges.	L	M		<p>Minimal food is stored on site.</p> <p>Dry foods are stored in high level locked cupboards.</p> <p>Chilled food / drink for catering is stored in dedicated fridge in kitchen.</p> <p>A freezer is provided for storage of minimal food and cleared annually at the end of each season.</p> <p>Dedicated fridges are supplied for use by campers.</p>	Camper's fridges to be emptied following camping events.	Rear Commodore House	On going	Aug 24

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Legionella	Those using showers, sinks etc	L	M		No cold water storage or vented (unsealed) hot water tanks in use on site. Shower heads and taps disinfected each year as part of opening up of the club for the season.				
Dogs	All on site	L	M		Dogs are not allowed in the clubhouse. Dogs must be on a lead when on site. Notices displayed for those using the public footpath.	None			
Overhead electric cables	Members moving boats with tall mast. Those undertaking maintenance works close to cables.	L	H		Overhead cables are at the perimeter of the site and then run underground within the site. Maintenance of the hedge beneath the cables is undertaken by Electrical utility company.	None			
Vehicle movements	All on site Particular risk to young children	L	M		Vehicle movements on site are slow due to rough ground. For movement on slipway see 'Launching and recovery of boats'	None			Aug 24
Safeguarding	Children Vulnerable adults	M	M		Safeguarding policy in place. RYA Code of Conduct adopted.	None			