

**Raft Building****Responsible Chief Instructor:****Ash Cato**

Assessment by: <b>Simon Fishwick</b>	Date: <b>February 2013</b>	Target Date for review:
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**DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY:**

Frequency: Whenever raft building is organised

Duration: Typically 2 hours

<b>Significant Hazards &amp; Level of Risk</b>	<b>Those who might be harmed</b>	<b>Control Measures(CM's):</b>	<b>Additional CM's required? Or Further Action Planned</b>	<b>Residual Rating</b>
Construction hazards – trips spills etc	Employees Rafting participants Volunteers	Participants under Instructor guidance. Participants warned of danger when handling paddles and poles to reduce risk of hitting others. All participants are instructed how to carry equipment. Paddles are to be kept smooth and chip free. Poles, barrels and lashings to be checked for damage before use.		
		BTAC Standard Operating Procedures shall be adhered to at all times.		
Capsize, falling off raft, collisions etc	Participants	All key personnel to be suitably trained for the role that they perform. Qualified staff provide rescue cover. All participants should, and all children <b>MUST</b> , wear suitable helmets. Participants are warned of the hazards inherent in raft racing, including embarking / disembarking, manoeuvring etc. These issues are reinforced during courses at the appropriate time. All equipment to be checked by an instructor before going afloat.		

Significant Hazards & Level of Risk	Those who might be harmed	Control Measures(CM's):	Additional CM's required? Or Further Action Planned	Residual Rating
		No raft shall launch until adequate safety cover is available. A safety boat should attend any capsize or accident as soon as possible. Safety Boats shall carry serrated knives to cut ropes etc in the event of entrapment		

**REVIEWS:**

Date of review:	Reviewed by:	Comments:
May 2018	S Fishwick	No change..