

Risk Assessments

Ouse on Board

Any risk with a rating of more than 3 must have a control measure in place to reduce the risk.

S - Severity (1=Minor, 2=Serio
L - Likelihood (1=Unlikely, 2=Possib
R - Risk (Severity >

Item	Location	Activity	Hazard	Persons Affected	Initial			Control Measure	After			Date Last Reviewed
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1	Galley	Use of Kettle/hot water	Scald	All in Boat	2	2	4	Provide stable place for equipment. Make sure people aware of hot water.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
2	Galley	Cooking	Burns from cooker	All in Boat	2	2	4	Make sure users are aware of the heat sources	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
3	Galley	Cooking	Fire	All in Boat	3	2	6	Keep galley persons to a minimum, pan handles facing inwards, no deep fat frying. Extinguishers and blankets available.	3	1	3	07-Dec-23
4	Galley	Rubbish Disposal	Hygiene/Health	All in Boat	1	3	3	Regular disposal of all rubbish	1	1	1	07-Dec-23
5	Bathroom	Shower	Burns	All in Boat	2	2	4	Ensure water is checked for temp before showering	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
6	Bathroom	Shower	Slipping on wet floor	All in Boat	3	3	9	Only shower when boat is moored. Brief people floor may be slippery.	3	1	3	07-Dec-23
7	Boat	Using electricity	Electric Shock	All in Boat	3	2	6	Ensure that all sources of electricity are covered / protected, and in good working order. Isolated when not in use	3	1	3	07-Dec-23

8	Boat	Doors/Hatches	Trapping	All in Boat	1	2	2	Ensure doors and hatches are secured open with hooks/wedges.	1	1	1	07-Dec-23
9	Boat	Engine Maintenance	Slipping when carrying out maintenance	Crew	3	2	6	Get sound footing before starting work. Do not lean too far. Maintenance only carried out by OOB personel.	3	1	3	07-Dec-23
10	Boat	Engine Maintenance	Injury from moving parts	Crew	2	2	4	Ensure engine is off & keys removed from ignition before engine cover is lifted	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
11	Boat	Engine Maintenance	Burns / Fire	Crew	3	3	9	Do not work on engine when it is hot.	3	1	3	07-Dec-23
12	Boat	Engine Maintenance	Engine cover falling	Crew	2	2	4	Ensure engine cover is secured with clip/rope before starting work.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
13	Boat	Refuelling	Breathing fumes/ contact with skin	Crew	2	3	6	Refuelling to be carried out by suppliers staff at recognised fuel retailer and OOB personel.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
14	Boat	Sleeping	Safeguarding	All in Boat	3	1	3	Sleeping areas seperated by curtains. Not luxury but basic. Adults and Young people to be seperated. Crew in Galley area. Users responsible for ensuring their safeguarding arrangements are met.	3	1	3	07-Dec-23
15	On the Water	Cruising	Falling from Boat	All in Boat	2	2	4	Stand inside the gunwale lines. Do not walk on the gunwales. Wear suitable footwear. Do not walk on the roof while cruising. Ensure all briefed about dangers.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23

16	On the Water	Cruising	Low Bridges	All in Boat	2	1	2	Few low bridges on the network, Brief all on board to be aware.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
17	On the Water	Cruising	Water Flow	All in Boat	2	2	4	Helmsman in charge to asses the conditions before setting off.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
18	On the Water	Cruising	Wind Speed	All in Boat	2	2	4	Helmsman to assess the conditions before setting off.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
19	On the Water	Cruising	Collisions	Other Users plus All in Boat	3	3	9	All to be under the supervision of the Helmsman. Keep good lookout and follow the rules of the river	3	1	3	07-Dec-23
20	On the Water	Cruising	Sinking	All in Boat	3	2	6	Visual inspection of the craft and bilge before use including weed hatch.	3	1	3	07-Dec-23
21	On the Water	Cruising	Sinking	All in Boat	3	2	6	Ensure correct loading, balance & trim is maintained	3	1	3	07-Dec-23
22	On the Water	Cruising	Fire	All in Boat	2	3	6	No smoking or naked flames.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
23	On the Water	Cruising	Gas	All in Boat	3	3	9	Ensure gas appliances are operating correctly, gas locker at bow remains accessible and only accessed by crew. All aware of isolation valves	3	1	3	07-Dec-23
24	On the Water	Cruising	Drowning	All in Boat	3	2	6	All in boat to wear life jacket when instructed to do so, particularly when at the stern. OOB Lifejacket policy to be followed.	3	1	3	07-Dec-23
25	On the Water	Cruising	Weeds around propeller	Crew	3	3	9	Ensure engine is off and keys are out of the ignition. Battery isolator also to be turned off. Gloves to be worn incase of sharps/fish hooks.	3	1	3	07-Dec-23

26	Launch area	Use of Landing stage	Slipping on wet boards/bank	Users	2	2	4	Large bank area suitable for getting on and off safely.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
27	Launch area	Road	Road Traffic accident	All users	2	1	3	Small road/track between car park and mooring but risk is minimal. 30mph through village before bridge, traffic minimal and slow	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
28	Launch area	Boarding	Slips/Trips	All in Boat	2	2	4	Board at the bow, one at a time, use hand rails or assistance if needed.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
29	Launch area	Boarding in the dark	Slips/Trips	All in Boat	2	3	6	Board at the stern, one at a time, use hand rails or assistance if needed, ensure head torches are used and if possible lights on boat.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
30	On the bank	Running	Trip / fall / collision	Other Users plus All in Boat	2	2	4	Running is not permitted	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
31	On the bank	Locking	Entrapment of fingers	All users	2	2	4	Ensure users are shown how to operate each type of lock gear before being asked to do so. Most locks on the Great Ouse are electric.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
32	On the bank	Locking	Back Injury	All users	3	2	6	Advise users of the correct way to open & close lock gates. Most locks on the Great Ouse are electric.	3	1	3	07-Dec-23
33	On the bank	Locking	Falling into water	All users	2	2	4	Advise users of nature of river & canal banks. Advise conditions around locks. No access or egress to/from boat while in locks. See OOB lifejacket policy.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23

34	On the bank	Use of Ropes	Abrasion	All users	2	2	4	Ensure users realise the possibility of a rope being pulled through their hands. Briefed not to wrap around hands.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
35	On the bank	Use of Ropes	Entanglement / Trip	All users	2	2	4	Always store ropes & lines neatly, immediately after use.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
36	On the bank	Coming along side / Mooring	Crush Injury	All users	2	2	4	Instruct users not to attempt to fend off with hands or feet.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
37	River Environment	Steep Banks	Fall between boat & bank	All users	2	2	4	Make sure craft is close to bank or use plank. Most moorings are permanent type negating the need for plank.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
38	River Environment	River Conditions	Inability to handle flow	All users	2	2	4	Assess river conditions before departure. Contact EA.	2	1	2	07-Dec-23
39	River Environment	River Conditions	River breaking banks	All users	3	2	6	Assess river conditions before departure. Contact EA.	3	1	3	07-Dec-23
40	River Environment	River Conditions	MOB swept away from craft	All in Boat	3	3	9	Assess river conditions before departure. Contact EA.	3	1	3	07-Dec-23
41	River Environment	Running aground	Craft runs aground in low water conditions	All users	2	2	4	Keep craft to centre of river in low water conditions	2	1	2	07-Dec-23

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