

Duddon Canoe Club Risk assessment for Barrow Pool
 (John Sherwen April 2013)

Hazards	Persons at risk	Risk Factor	Measures required to control risk	Revised risk factor
Damage to head and /or body.	Paddlers and coaches/ helpers in the water.	3 x 5	<p>Only coaches / instructors permitted in the water without a boat.</p> <p>* see exception below.</p> <p>No walking / running across boats during rafting games except when helmets are worn.</p> <p>Standing on / in boats only under close supervision and away from the pool side.</p>	1 x 5
----- Back strain due to poor lifting. -----	----- Those lifting boats. -----	----- - 4 x 2	<p>* paddlers may be in the water when practicing rescues or when in an area of the pool marked off as boat free by 'lane markers'.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>All participants to be shown correct method of lifting and emptying water from a boat.</p>	----- - 1 x 2
-- Trip / fall -----	----- All -----	----- 3 x 3	-----	----- -- 1 x 3
----- -- Drowning	----- - Paddlers	----- - 1 x 5	<p>All participants to walk on the pool side.</p> <p>Lane rope connectors to be removed during the sessions.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>All the above + number of boats in the pool restricted to 22.</p> <p>Two DCC representatives be pool watching from the pool side in addition to the presence of a pool lifeguard.</p> <p>Paddle storage barrel to be attached to cage opposite canoe store using the rope provided before session starts.</p>	----- -- 1 x 5
----- Hit by paddles when storage barrel falls over.	All on pool side.	4 x 3		1 x 3

Risk = likelihood x severity

1 – 5 = low risk ;
Risk controlled

6 – 12 = medium risk ;
further precautions required

15 - 25 = high risk
stop activities immediate action required

Likelihood	Severity
1= highly unlikely to occur	1= slight inconvenience
2= may occur but rarely	2= minor injury requiring first aid
3= may occur rarely	3= medical attention required
4= may occur from time to time	4= major injury leading to hospitalisation
5= likely to occur often	5= fatality or serious injury / disability