

Lee Valley Paddlesports Club

Operating and Safety Procedures Version 1.0 Dated March 2014

The Lee Valley Paddlesports Club is the resident paddlesports club at the Lee Valley White Water Centre. The Club supports and promotes paddlesport disciplines that take make use of the world-class facilities at the Centre. Club activities take place on the whitewater Olympic and Legacy courses, the Centre's lake and local rivers. Club trips will take members paddling further afield and the Club's Operating and Safety Procedures will evolve to meet these requirements. The Operating and Safety Procedures will never take away the requirement for coaches and club leaders to manage dynamic risk assessment.

These Operating and Safety Procedures cover Club activities at the Lee Valley White Water Centre and local sheltered waters. The Operating and Safety Procedures will be kept under review by the Club's General Committee. Delegated Officers, particularly welfare and safety officers, will provide assessments and updates. All members of the club will be expected to take responsibility for their safety and good conduct and the safety of those around them.

"Canoeing and Kayaking are "Assumed risk" – "Water contact sports" that may carry attendant risks. Participants should be aware of and accept these risks, and be responsible for their own action and involvement".

British Canoe Union (BCU) Participation Statement

This version of the Operating and Safety Procedures encompasses the following risk assessments and safety procedures in order to mitigate risks:

- LVPC Generic Paddlesports RA Finalised_V01_2014 02
- LVPC Flat Water_Lake @LVWWC RA Finalised_V01_2014 02
- LVPC Course Setup RA Finalised_V01_2014 02.

The LVPC Generic Paddlesports RA and its operating procedures is the baseline for all off-site Club activities involving paddlesports.

Our Operating and Safety Procedures are further supported by two policies:

- Health and Safety
- Child and Vulnerable Adults Protection

Further policies and procedures may be issued from time to time and will be brought to the attention of all Club members.
