

Lee Valley Paddlesports Club
Operating and Safety Procedures
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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 make use of the world-class facilities at the Centre, other venues that are available to us such as Rammey Island, and venues that we may visit for trips. 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 continue to 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.

Our Operating and Safety Procedures cover Club activities at the Lee Valley White Water Centre, Rammey Island and local waterways as described in our LVPC Risk Assessment. Our Operating and Safety Procedures are kept under review by the Club's General Committee. Delegated Officers, particularly safety and welfare 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".

Governing Body Participation Statement

Our Operating and Safety Procedures encompass our LVPC Risk Assessment, our statement on Incidents and Accessing First Aid During Club Night, our Health and Safety Policy, our Safeguarding policies and our Codes of Conduct. In having and operating these policies LVPC aims to provide safe and enjoyable paddle sport activities.

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

Version Control:

Updated from previous version to account for new single Risk Assessment (Nov 23), activities at Rammey Island, and, Incidents and Accessing First Aid During Club Night (June 24)