

British Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 - Northern

2. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Club Information

1. Club Name

Tyne Amateur Rowing Club

2. Name of person authorised by the club to accurately complete this audit

Colin Percy

3. Position in your club

Water Safety Adviser

4. Your email address

safety@tynearc.com

5. Is your club a Non-Rowing club i.e. you do not row at all?

No

6. Does your club operate under the safety policies and Rowing Safety Adviser of another (host) club? If so, please select the club in the list below.

If your club operates under its own safety policies and Rowing Safety Adviser, please select 'No' from the list below.

Note: You cannot select your own club.

No

7. Do you host any club(s) e.g. Alumni, who operate under your club's safety policy and your Club Rowing Safety Adviser? If so please state the name(s) of these clubs. If not, then please choose 'None of them' from the list.

Northumbria University Boat Club

8. Do you host any club(s) who do not operate under your safety policies or Club Rowing Safety Adviser. Please state the name(s). If not, then please choose 'None of them' from the list.

None of them

4. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Club Rowing Safety Adviser Contact Details

9. Please fill in the CRSA's contact details.

Note: if you are a student these details should be your university term-time details.

Name : Colin Percy

Telephone Number : 07985003304

10. Please enter the email address of the CRSA

Note: This field must be filled in order to receive a copy of this survey

safety@tynearc.com

5. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Alternative / Deputy Club Rowing Safety Adviser Contact Details

11. Please fill in the contact details of your alternative (deputy) CRSA.

Note: if you are a student these details should be your university term-time details. If you do not have one, please fill in your club secretary contact details.

Name : Adam Azzi

Telephone Number : 07521 208034

Email Address for Immediate Contact : secretary@tynearc.com

6. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Boats & Blades

12. Are the forward port and starboard rigger on all boats, other than single sculls, protected by a backstay?

No

13. Where the construction of a boat or its composition is such that the bow presents a hazard in a collision, has the bow been protected with rubber or a similar resilient material that removes the hazard? (The fixing itself must not be a hazard.)

Yes

14. In all boats, the foot stretchers, shoes or other devices holding the feet of the rowers shall be a type which allows the rowers to get clear of the boat with no delay in an emergency. *(Where shoes or other devices holding the feet will remain in the boat, each shoe or device shall be independently restrained such that when the heel reaches the horizontal position the foot will be released from the shoe. In addition, where laces, Velcro or similar materials must be opened before the rower can remove their feet from the shoes or other devices, all such materials must be able to be released immediately by the rower with a single quick hand action of pulling on one easily accessible strap. Where shoes or other devices holding the feet will not remain in the boat, each shoe or device must be able to be released by the rower without using their hands or with a single quick hand action of pulling on one easily accessible strap or release device.)* Does this apply?

Yes

15. Are all boats checked before and after outings for buoyancy, heel restraints, bow balls strapping, floats and integrity? Are failures reported and boats not used until issues have been resolved?

Yes

7. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Management

16. Does your club review its risk assessments regularly (typically yearly)?

(Please only tick "Yes" if you have uploaded an up-to-date copy of your Risk Assessment for club activities and your Club Safety Plan to your Google Drive folder)

Yes

17. Does your club cover the topics listed in the "RowSafe" guide (where relevant) in your club induction?

Yes

18. Does your club ensure the identified risk controls are in place as listed in the "RowSafe" guide?

Yes

19. Does your club have a designated Safety Notice Board in a prominent position?

Yes

20. Does your club ensure that all new and existing members are made aware of the club safety rules that define what is, and what is not, appropriate behaviour on and off the water?

To Address

21. Does your club review the findings of the Club's Rowing Safety Audit and implement its recommendations at committee level as appropriate?

Yes

22. Does your club have a Safety Policy?

Yes

23. Please attach a copy of your Club Safety Policy

[181201 Health and Safety Policy Statement.pdf](#)

24. Does your club provide training in risk assessment and safe practice?

To Address

25. Do you liaise with all water users/other stakeholders (such as the local sailing/canoe club) to ensure that neither will put the other at risk?

Yes

8. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | First Aid / Medical

26. Does your club have an Emergency Action Plan (EAP) within the Club Safety Plan which is communicated to all club members?

(Please only tick "Yes" if you have uploaded an up-to-date copy of your Emergency Action Plan to your Google Drive Folder)

Yes

27. Please list the most recent review date of your Emergency Action Plan

28/11/2020

28. Does your club keep a record of Club First Aiders and encourage them to maintain their certification?

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29. Does your club provide suitable quantities of first aid materials within box(es) clearly identified as "First Aid" which are in easily accessible areas of the club and/or boathouse?

Yes

30. Does your club advise members about the risks of sunburn, heat stroke and heat exhaustion, and of local guidance relating to this issue?

Yes

31. Does your club provide information on diseases most likely to be encountered by club members, either on their home water or when they visit other venues?

Yes

32. Does your club have immediate access to a defibrillator?

Yes

9. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Incidents Procedure

33. Does your club require that all club members are made aware of what constitutes an incident and 'near incident' that needs reporting and that all are aware of how to report them online?

Yes

34. Does your club regularly monitor the British Rowing online reporting system to gather information on club incidents and use the statistics to develop safer practices?

Yes

35. Does your club keep the members informed of incidents and 'near incidents' at the club and ways in which action must be taken to avoid repetition?

Yes

10. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Safety Aids

36. Does your club have written procedures in place for the use of safety aids and ensure that all members understand and follow them?

To Address

37. Does your club require all coxswains to wear an approved lifejacket or buoyancy aid on top of all other garments when in a boat (note front-loader guidance below)?

Yes

38. Does your club require all launch drivers and passengers to wear an approved lifejacket or buoyancy aid on top of all other garments when in a launch?

Yes

39. Does your club ensure that, before use, all lifejackets and buoyancy aids:

	Yes	To Address	N/A
Are checked for wear and tear	X		
Are checked for damage	X		
Contain an appropriate gas cylinder	X		
Have a service record in the maintenance log	X		
Have a designated place where they can dry out naturally away from a heat source		X	

40. Does your club ensure that all safety aids, particularly throw lines, are readily accessible and stored ready for use where they may be needed in an emergency.

Yes

41. Does your club provide training for Safety Aids? Please specify what other Safety Aids your club provides training for, if applicable.

	Yes	To Address	N/A
Throw Lines		X	
Lifejackets	X		
Lifeguard Tubes			X

11. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Steering

42. How many of your coxes and scullers/coxless steers have undertaken a structured steering training session, which has been verified in oral or written form, to determine competence both on and off the water?

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43. Does your club row during night hours?

Yes

44. Does your club have rules in place on boating in dark/low/poor visibility situations?

Yes

45. Please list the date for the last time these rules were reviewed

28/11/2020

12. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Swim and Capsize

46. Does your club manage the risks BEFORE the outing if cold water immersion and hypothermia are assessed as potential issues by instructing participants of the actions to be taken in the event of a capsized (for all boat types)?

Yes

47. How does your club determine members' ability to swim?

	Practical	Sign Off	To Address
Juniors	X		
Beginners	X		
Seniors		X	
Masters		X	
Adaptive		X	

48. Does your club ensure swimming ability and capsized training is recorded for each member of the club?

Yes

49. Does your club require participants who are unable to demonstrate the minimum swimming standards to wear a life jacket or buoyancy aid, receive training in capsized procedure and reach a satisfactory level of competence in, for example, a single sculling boat?

To Address

13. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Adaptive Rowing

50. Does your club provide Adaptive Rowing?

No

14. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Coastal Rowing

51. Does your club provide Coastal Rowing?

No

15. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Non-Affiliated Competition

52. Does your club hold Non Affiliated Events e.g. Pubs & Clubs, Private Matches, Ergo Races?

Yes

53. Does your club assess and manage the risks prior to, and during, the running of an activity or event? *(Please only tick "Yes" if you have uploaded an up-to-date copy of your Risk Assessment for competitions and your Competition Safety Plan to your Google Drive folder)*

Yes

54. Please list the date of the last time your club assessed these risks

12/01/2020

16. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Indoor Rowing

55. Does your club have indoor rowing machines?

Yes

56. Does your club ensure that the machines are safely located and regularly serviced and maintained in good working order as recommended by the manufacturer?

Yes

17. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Juniors

57. Does your club have Juniors?

Yes

58. Does your club record ALL the information from Juniors as listed in the "RowSafe" guide before allowing any activity to start?

Yes

18. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Launches and Launch Driving

59. Does your club have a Coaching Launch, Safety Launch or Rescue Launch?

Yes

60. How many launches do you have under the following headings (please read the explanations below)?

Coaching : 3

Rescue : 2

61. Does your club require all launches to carry a plate stating the maximum weight it can safely support, together with this translated into the number of adults?

Yes

62. Does your club require launch drivers to hold, as a minimum, the RYA Level 2 powerboat certificate (appropriate to water conditions; inland; coastal and use:Safety boat) or equivalent certified training?

To Address

63. Does your club require launch drivers to understand and follow the rules of the water upon which they are operating and at all times, except in an emergency, adhere to the speed limits in place on that stretch of water?

Yes

64. Does your club require launches to carry the equipment as required by the "RowSafe" guide and require that launch drivers must check that the launch is carrying the appropriate emergency equipment before going afloat?

Yes

65. If launches are used for safety cover, does your club ensure they have two crew and are fit for purpose?

Yes

19. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Touring

66. Does your club provide rowing tours?

No

20. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Training Camp

67. Does your club go on training camp?

Yes

68. Does your club ensure the Training Camp Organising Committee addresses the topics raised by the "Row Safe" guide?

(Please only tick "Yes" if you have uploaded an up-to-date copy of your Risk Assessment for training camps to your Google Drive folder)

Yes

69. Please list when your club's Training Camp Organising Committee addressed topics raised by the RowSafe guide

25/11/2019

21. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Transport and Trailers

70. Does your club transport boats either on trailers or car roofs?

Yes

71. Does your club brief and use the British Rowing and Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) guidance for the Transport of Oar Propelled Racing Boats?

Yes

72. Does your club ensure that adequate ties, (in good condition), are available?

Yes

73. Does your club require drivers to always carry a passenger to help with navigation, maneuvering, and any emergency which may arise, and to be aware of the dangers of high winds and icy road conditions and consult the weather forecast before setting off?

Yes

74. Does your club ensure that, if towing or using vehicles overseas, any local rules are adhered to (lights, spares, yellow vests, fire extinguishers , triangle, overhang, etc.)?

To Address

75. Does your club require drivers to take breaks for journeys of longer than 2 hrs duration or have a buddy driver accompany them on long journeys and ensure an effective communication system is set up with the club for the journey?

Note: use of a mobile requires a hands free set.

Yes

22. Rowing Safety Audit 2019/20 | Final Section

76. Please use this form to submit any further comments...

Risk Assessment for Rowing Activities under review and TBC as soon as possible. Latest draft in folder. To be discussed with Northumbria University BC.