

CWSC Risk Assessments

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Probability/Likelihood Description		
Likely / Frequent	Occurs repeatedly - event only to be expected	
Probable	Will occur several times	
Possible	Could occur sometimes	
Remote	Unlikely though conceivable	
Improbable	So unlikely that probability is zero	

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Slalom Skiing

The hazard	Who might be harmed	Possibility of risk	Measures to control risk	Review procedures
		Probable	 Ensure skier is trained at the level at which s/he is skiing. 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing
Bad falls	The skier		 Ensure skier is trained how to fall in a way that lessens injury. 	 Reconfirm on a regular basis the skiers awareness of how to fall to lessen injury.
			 Ensure skier is aware of protective equipment 	 Insist on protective equipment when a skier is moving up to more advanced levels.
Concussion	The skier	Possible	 Ensure skier is trained at the level at which s/he is skiing. 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing
Concussion	THE SKIEL		 Ensure skier is trained how to fall in a way that lessens injury. 	 Reconfirm on a regular basis the skiers awareness of how to fall to lessen injury.
Broken bones		Remote	 Ensure skier is trained at the level at which s/he is skiing. 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing
Broken bones	The skier		 Ensure skier is trained how to fall in a way that lessens injury. 	 Reconfirm on a regular basis the skiers awareness of how to fall to lessen injury.
Hitting stationary objects (e.g. jump or the bank)	The skier	Remote	 Ensure skier is, through training, able to control skis and is aware of dangers 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing
			 Ensure skier is trained to avoid stationary objects 	 Reconfirm skiers awareness of the dangers of stationary objects.
			 Ensure boat driver is diligent to dangers and through good driving helps the skier to avoid these objects 	 Allow only drivers with SBDA to drive for skiers.

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Jumping

The hazard	Who might be harmed	Possibility of risk	Measures to control risk	Review procedures
	The skier	Likely / Frequent	 Ensure skier is trained at the level at which he/she is skiing. 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing
Bad falls/winding			 Ensure skier is trained how to fall in a way that lessens injury. 	 Reconfirm on a regular basis the skiers awareness of how to fall to lessen injury.
			 Ensure skier wears protective equipment 	 Skier is not permitted to jump without protective equipment
			 Ensure skier is trained at the level at which s/he is skiing. 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing
Concussion	The skier	Possible	 Ensure skier is trained how to fall in a way that lessens injury. 	 Reconfirm on a regular basis the skiers awareness of how to fall to lessen injury.
			 Ensure skier wears protective equipment 	 Skier is not permitted to jump without protective equipment
Broken bones	The skier	Remote	 Ensure skier is trained at the level at which s/he is skiing. 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing
Broken bones			 Ensure skier is trained how to fall in a way that lessens injury. 	 Reconfirm on a regular basis the skiers awareness of how to fall to lessen injury.
Hitting stationary		The skier Possible	 Ensure skier is, through, training able to control skis and is aware of dangers 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing
objects (e.g. jump side curtain or the	The skier		 Ensure skier is trained to avoid stationary objects 	 Reconfirm skiers awareness of the dangers of stationary objects.
bank)			 Ensure boat driver is diligent to dangers and through good driving helps the skier to avoid these objects 	 Allow only drivers with SBDA to drive for skiers.
Being hit by skis	The skier	Possible	 Ensure skier is made aware of possible risks 	 Reconfirm skiers awareness of the risks
			 Ensure skier is trained how to take avoiding action 	 Reconfirm skiers training on how to take avoiding action
			 Ensure skier wears protective equipment 	 Skier is not permitted to jump without protective equipment.

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Trick Skiing

The hazard	Who might be harmed	Possibility of risk	Measures to control risk	Review procedures
			 Ensure skier is trained at the level at which s/he is skiing. 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing
Bad falls	The skier	Remote	 Ensure skier is trained how to fall in a way that lessens injury. 	 Reconfirm on a regular basis the skiers awareness of how to fall to lessen injury.
			 Ensure skier is aware of protective equipment 	 Insist on protective equipment when a skier is moving up to more advanced levels.
			 Ensure skier is trained at the level at which s/he is skiing. 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing
Concussion	The skier	Possible	 Ensure skier is trained how to fall in a way that lessens injury. 	 Reconfirm on a regular basis the skiers awareness of how to fall to lessen injury.
			 Ensure skier wears protective equipment 	 Skier is not permitted to jump without protective equipment

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The hazard	Who might be harmed	Possibility of risk	Measures to control risk	Review procedures
Bad falls		Possible	 Ensure skier is trained at the level at which s/he is skiing. 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing
	The skier		 Ensure skier is trained how to fall in a way that lessens injury. 	 Reconfirm on a regular basis the skiers awareness of how to fall to lessen injury.
			 Ensure skier is aware of protective equipment 	 Insist on protective equipment when a skier is moving up to more advanced levels.
Hitting stationary objects (e.g. jump or the bank)	The skier	Possible	 Ensure boat driver is diligent to dangers and through good driving helps the skier to avoid these objects. 	 Allow only drivers with SBDA to drive for skiers.
			 Ensure driver does not allow skier to get "on the whip" outside the boat wake and stops or slows down if this starts to occur. 	 Make sure drivers aware of necessary actions to assist skiers who get outside the boat wake.
			 Ensure skier is, through, training able to control skis and is aware of dangers 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing
			 Ensure skier is trained to avoid stationary objects 	 Reconfirm skiers awareness of the dangers of stationary objects.
Exhaustion or hypothermia	The skier	Improbable	 Boat driver would recognise early signs of hypothermia and initiate rescue 	 Ensure boat drivers are SBDA trained
			 Warm dry environment is always available in the clubhouse. 	 Ensure facilities are available during training sessions.

First Time Skiers and Novices

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			 Ensure skier is trained at the level at which s/he is skiing. 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing
Bad falls	The skier	Possible	 Ensure skier is trained how to fall in a way that lessens injury. 	 Reconfirm on a regular basis the skiers awareness of how to fall to lessen injury.
			 Ensure skier is aware of protective equipment 	 Insist on protective equipment when a skier is moving up to more advanced levels.
Hitting stationary objects (e.g. jump or	The skier	Remote	 Ensure skier is, through, training able to control skis and is aware of dangers Ensure skier is trained to avoid stationary objects 	 Ensure each level of competency is attained before advancing Reconfirm skiers awareness of the dangers of stationary objects.
the bank)			 Ensure boat driver is diligent to dangers and through good driving helps the skier to avoid these objects 	 Allow only drivers with SBDA to drive for skiers.

Wakeboarding / Kneeboarding

Boat Refuelling

The hazard	Who might be harmed	Possibility of risk	Measures to control risk	Review procedures
Gas burns	All persons who refuel a boat	Remote	 Ensure hands are kept away from the fuel line and that the connection from tank line to boat is good before filling. Ensure Boat Refuelling Operating Procedures is followed 	 Ensure users are aware of the dangers
Fire / explosion	All	Improbable	 Ensure all persons keep away from the gas tank with naked flames. Ensure warning signs are clearly visible on the tank cage. Ensure the Boat Refuelling Operating Procedures are followed 	 Advise visitors to keep away from the tank. Check signage regularly, Replace signs if necessary.

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The hazard	Who might be harmed	Possibility of risk	Measures to control risk	Review procedures
Drowning	The skier	Improbable	 Boat driver would be able to initiate rescue from the boat. Whilst skiers are progressing up to a higher level ensure buoyancy aid or wetsuits are worn. 	 Ensure boat drivers are SBDA trained. Ensure skiers are competent at each level before moving up.
Hypothermia	The skier	Improbable	 Boat driver would recognise early signs of hypothermia and initiate rescue Warm dry environment is always available in the clubhouse. 	 Ensure boat drivers are SBDA trained and have valid First Aid certificate. Ensure facilities are available during training sessions.
Inflatable's	The passengers	Possible	 Boat driver must not drive more than 19Mph During 3 boat rule drivers are to drive the circuit only 	 Ensure boat drivers are SBDA trained
Being struck by another boat during 3 boat rule	The skier	Possible	 Observer must be in the boat during 3 boat rule Drivers must follow the circuit during 3 boat rule 	Ensure boat drivers are SBDA trainedEnsure all drivers follow club rules
Stranded Boat / Emergency	All Boat occupants	Possible	 All boat occupants are responsible to then siren / horn when needed in an emergency 	 Ensure all boat occupants are aware of location when entering the boat Ensure all drivers follow club rules
Red Flag	Skier	Possible	 Red Flag to be waved from the boat whilst Skier in the water. 	 Ensure all boat occupants are aware of location when entering the boat

Miscellaneous

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The hazard	Who might be harmed	Possibility of risk	Measures to control risk	Review procedures
Driving on 3 boat rule	The driver	Possible	 Driver must remain seated in the boat at all times and face forward Observer must remain seated at all times 	 Reconfirm the need for the driver to remain seated and facing forward Driver is responsible for the observer and must not move off until s/he is seated.
Being hit by ski handle due to rope recoil.	The driver/the observer	Possible	 Driver must remain aware of possible recoil and take avoiding action Fit recoil tubes to the rope 	Reconfirm awareness of driverCheck regularly that tubes are correctly fitted.
Falling from boat	The driver The observer	Improbable Remote	 Driver must remain seated in the boat at all times Observer must remain seated at all times 	 Reconfirm the need for the driver to remain seated. Driver is responsible for the observer and must move off until s/he is seated. Kill cord to be worn at all times
Lane 1 turns near beach	The driver The observer The Skier	Remote	 Driver must follow path set out by Lane 1 officer Observer must remain seated at all times Skier must observe ski path advised by the driver on entering the boat 	 Reconfirm the need for the driver to follow path once a year prior boat launch Driver is responsible for the observer and must move off until s/he is seated. Driver is responsible for the Skier and must advise prior to towing on Lane 1

Boat Driving

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