

ACTIVITY	CANOE/KAYAK
VENUE(S)	RIVER ESK RUSWARP-WHITBY
HAZARDS	CONTROL MEASURES
✘ Landing stage – slippery	✓ Take care. Supervise groups getting on and off water. Students briefed on taking care on jetty
✘ Overhanging tree and roots	✓ Warn groups of dangers of overhanging trees. Good positioning of coach and group. ✓ Teach the skills necessary to avoid obstacles ✓ Tighter group control
✘ Other river users, risk of collision	✓ Students advised on the procedure of other craft approaching: move to side of river, allow to pass
✘ Angled weir at Ruswarp	✓ Pre inspect before running ✓ Close group control
✘ Ruswarp Bridge – strainers/debris collected	✓ Close group control ✓ Explain line to take ✓ Positioning of coach
✘ Whitby Road Bridge – dropped objects	✓ Pass under by 3.25pm ✓ Do not pass under between 3.25pm – 3.45pm during weekday term time
✘ Whitby Harbour ✘ - moored craft ✘ - weir ✘ - boat traffic ✘ - slipway	✓ Brief students on avoidance of moored craft ✓ Coach position ✓ Pre-inspect before running ✓ Careful and tight supervision. STOP, move to side, give way ✓ Warn of slippery surface
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SAFETY EQUIPMENT	
FULL EMERGENCY AND RESCUE EQUIPMENT TO BE CARRIED REPAIR KIT, SPARE CLOTHING, TOWLINES, SPARE PADDLES, EMERGENCY SHELTER, MEANS OF WARM DRINK, FIRST AID KIT BUOYANCY HELMETS	
VENUE SPECIFIC RISKS & ADDITIONAL NOTES	
HELMETS MUST BE TAKEN ON THIS TRIP AND WORN ON DESCENDING WEIRS, GOING UNDER BRIDGES AND WHEN COLLISION WITH ROCKS, RIVER BED, OTHER EQUIPMENT IS LIKELY	

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