

Appendix II - Permit Assessment Checklist – Kayak

Core Skill	Open Inland			River			Sea			Surf		
	P	L	S	P	L	S	P	L	S	P	L	S
Responsibilities												
• Be aware of the limits of your own abilities												
• Choose objectives appropriate to the group												
• Plan effectively in advance including selecting a suitable venue and contingency plans												
• Knowledge of rules / regulations which govern the use of water												
• Able to identify when remote supervision is not appropriate in running kayaking												
Group Management												
• Establish a clear means of communication with the group												
• Demonstrate the ability to maintain line of sight within the group and surrounding environment												
• Show an understanding that group leaders must combine good panning with making honest decisions and judgements in advance												
• Know how to position themselves to most effectively manage the group												
• Able to identify group members with skills and experience to be able to lead kayaking as a designated leader under supervision												

• B3 and A waters - Ability to paddle to the standard of the British Canoeing Advanced Water Leader (discipline specific)													
• Ability to identify and explain water features, their effects, utility and associated dangers													
• Understand and be able to teach use of paddling techniques													
• Experience in a variety of environments for kayaking													
• Experience of working with a variety of different activity groups in kayaking													
Emergency Procedures													
• Knowledge of relevant procedures in the event of an accident													
• Ability to retrieve a capsized paddler													
• Ability to support a capsized paddler with rescue													
• Ability to retrieve an entrapped paddler or craft													
• Ability to recover an incapacitated paddler (conscious and unconscious)													
• Ability to recover a swamped craft													
• Ability to self rescue													
• Ability to carry out the skills required for the British Canoeing Advanced Surf Safety and Rescue													
Equipment													
• Knowledge of personal equipment requires, how it is used and the importance of it being of the appropriate size for the user													

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of group equipment required and how it is used 												
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding of additional equipment required by the leader 												
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of the different types of kayak available and what type of water they are suitable for 												

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