



HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY STATEMENT:

“Stafford Canoeing and Watersports Club is strongly committed to encouraging our members to take part in canoeing, kayaking and other watersports, but the health, well-being and safety of each individual is always our paramount concern. We recommend levels of training dependent on age and ability and expect our Full Members & Friends of the Club to participate within these boundaries.”

HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY:

To support our Health and Safety policy statement we are committed to the following duties:

- Undertake regular, recorded risk assessment of any SCWC Club premises and all activities undertaken by the Club.
- Create a safe environment by putting health and safety measures in place as identified by the assessment.
- Ensure that all members are given the appropriate level of training by regularly assessing individual ability dependant on age, maturity and development.
- Ensure that all members are aware of, understand and follow the Club's health and safety policy.
- Appoint a competent Club member to assist with health and safety responsibilities, or where due to Club membership size, embody this health and safety role in the General Committee
- Ensure that normal operating procedures and emergency operating procedures are in place and known by all members.
- During Club Events, provide access to adequate first aid facilities, and qualified first aider at all times.
- Report any injuries or accidents sustained during any Club activity or whilst on the Club events.
- Ensure that the implementation of the policy is reviewed regularly and monitored for effectiveness.



AS A CLUB MEMBER YOU HAVE A DUTY TO:

- Take reasonable care for your own health and safety and that of others who may be affected by what you do or not do.
- Co-operate with the Club on health and safety issues.
- Correctly use all equipment provided by the Club.
- Not interfere with or misuse anything provided for your health, safety or welfare.

CLUB HEALTH AND SAFETY OFFICER: Embodied in the General Committee, due to current SCWC Club size.

FIRST AID: As carried by Club members at Club Events

QUALIFIED FIRST AIDERS: 1. As defined at specific Club Events.
2. As defined at specific Club Events.

Policy Review

Q: How often is this Policy reviewed?

A: This policy is reviewed Annually at the start of the Club year.