

Rotorua Rowing Club Inc. – Safety Plan

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To be reviewed May 2019, (unless otherwise directed).

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CLUB RESPONSIBILITY

- 1) Appoint a Safety Adviser whose duty it is to understand the requirements of the NZRA Code of Practice for Water Safety and advise on their observation and implementation. Breaches of the code shall be identified and must be advised to the person or persons responsible for the breach.
- 2) Display prominently a list of all important emergency telephone numbers.
- 3) Have Safety and First Aid equipment available to all club members as follows:
 - a) A fully stocked First Aid kit is to be stored in the rowing club kitchen cupboard.
 - b) Each coach boat is to be equipped with:
 - i) Thermal blanket.
 - ii) Compass.
 - iii) Bailer.
 - iv) Oars.
 - v) Rescue lines.
 - vi) life jackets, (As per Coach boat safety equipment on page 11)
 - vii) Throw tubes/buoyancy aids or personal flotation devices (PFD's).
 - viii) Lights, (if training in the dark).

“Approved PFDs, lifejackets or buoyancy aids are those accepted under the Maritime Rule 91, Navigation Safety”

NZS 5823:2005 defines a buoyancy aid as any device designed to assist a person to remain afloat in water until rescue is effected. Any type of buoyancy aid categorised in the Standard meets the requirements of this rule.

- 4) Training in the hours of darkness carries additional risks and should be kept to a minimum. This particularly applies in the months of May, June and July when the low lake and air temperature increase the risk of hypothermia.
- 5) Encourage coaches and organisers to undertake basic first aid training.