**Scarborough and District Canoe Club**

**Health and Safety Policy**

**Health and Safety Policy Statement:**

“Scarborough and District Canoe Club is strongly committed to encouraging our members

to take part, 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,

we set out expectations around safe events and expect our members and paddlers to participate within these boundaries.”

**Health and Safety Policy:**

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

1. Undertake regular, recorded risk assessment of the club storage containers and all activities undertaken by the club.
2. Create a safe environment by putting health and safety measures in place as identified by the assessment.
3. Ensure that all members are given the appropriate level of training by regularly assessing individual ability dependant on age, maturity and development.
4. Ensure that all members are aware of, understand and follow the club’s health and safety policy.
5. Appoint a competent club member to assist with health and safety responsibilities of the club.
6. Ensure that normal operating procedures and emergency operating procedures are in place and known by all members.
7. Provide access to adequate first aid facilities, telephone and a qualified first aider at all club lake sessions and any coached sessions.
8. Report any injuries or accidents sustained during any club activity or whilst on the club premises to British Canoeing within the ‘Club House’ service (link: <https://clubhouse.britishcanoeing.org.uk/incident-reporting/>)
9. Ensure that the implementation of the policy is reviewed regularly and monitored for effectiveness.

**Club Members Duty To:**

1. Take reasonable care for your own health and safety and that of others who may be affected by what you do or not do. In particular when lifting and carrying equipment.
2. Co-operate with the club on health and safety issues.
3. Correctly use all equipment provided by the club.
4. Not interfere with or misuse anything provided for your health, safety or welfare.

**First Aid:** Location of first aid facilities: Club Containers.