

Coaching Policy Leeds Canoe Club

Leeds Canoe Club accepts their responsibility so far as is reasonably practicable, for the health, safety and welfare of coaches and participants.

It is Leeds Canoe Clubs objective to ensure that coaches are qualified to deliver sessions in the relevant aspects of technique and safety whilst coaching at official Club activities and pool sessions.

Leeds Canoe club is committed to the personal development of coaches, through support and the monitoring of standards. The Club enables those wishing to coach outside of the BCU remit to do so by issuing Club remit guidelines.

Leeds Canoe Clubs remit guidelines

- **In order to introduce novices (1 Star) to paddlesport, coaches require:**
 - An understanding of the safety fundamentals
 - 2 star standard or above
 - Attend a Club session on the fundamentals of coaching paddlesports

- **In order to coach improvers (2 Star) coaches require:**
 - Relevant experience (no logbook required)
 - An understanding of the safety fundamentals.
 - An understanding of different coaching styles.
 - 3 star standard or above.
 - Be observed coaching a session.

- **In order coach on moving water (3 star) coaches require:**
 - Relevant experience (logbook required)
 - An understanding of the safety fundamentals
 - An understanding of different coaching styles
 - 4 star standard or above
 - Be assessed coaching a session

- **In order to coach rolling and bracing in the pool, coaches require;**
 - Relevant experience (no logbook required)
 - An understanding of safety fundamentals.
 - An awareness of up to date techniques.
 - Attendance session on coaching rolling and bracing.

If you wish to coach within Leeds Canoe Club

- Complete the clubs coaching application, including details your experience and any relevant qualifications. Please see link below for application forms.
- (APPLICATION LINK)
- Please send all completed applications to kevinhorner@yahoo.co.uk
- Your application will be reviewed by the coaching committee

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- All decisions made at the discretion of the committee

Coaching guidelines

- Comply with the clubs policies, procedures, rules and risk assessments at all times
- All paddlers must wear the recommended personal protective equipment at all times
- Show participants how to lift boats safely
- Before entering the water:
 - Ask participants to inform you of any medical issues or injuries
 - Discuss with participants all foreseeable hazards, including what to do in the event of an emergency
- Carry a first aid kit in your boat at all times
- Only coach within your BCU or LCC remit.
- Always ensure the group is working within their ability
- Comply with the Clubs recommended kit list
- Report all accidents/incidents, following the recommended accident reporting procedure
<http://www.leedscanoeclub.com/docs/Leeds%20Canoe%20Club%20Accident%20and%20Incident%20Policy%20and%20Procedure%20Dec%202009.pdf>
- Identify all under 18 year old participants, ensuring you have their legal guardians contact details