

East Patch Race Committee

Keelboat Plan Risk Assessment Plan 2025

Hazard	Risk without controls	Severity	Controls	Risk with controls
Collision; boat/boat (to/from race area)	Low	Minor damage, minor injury	Competency,	Low
Collision; boat/boat (during race)	Medium	Minor damage, minor injury	Competency, Sailing Instructions, Racing Rules of Sailing, course design.	Low
Collision; boat/official boats (during race)	Low	Major damage, serious injury	Competency, communications	Low
Collision; boat/spectator boat (during race)	Low	Major damage, serious injury	VHF communications, IRPCS	Low
Collision; boat/commercial vessels	Low	Fatality/major damage	Port Authority Communications, VHF Communications, IRPCS	Low
Falling overboard	Low	Drowning	Personal buoyancy, competency, other racing boats in vicinity	Low
Environment (sea state/weather)	Low	Discomfort, distress, hypothermia, dehydration, fatigue	Weather forecast, tidal prediction information, RO monitoring, correct clothing, event time limits,	Low
Covid -19	Low	Distress	Participants comply with Government guidelines/legislation as interpreted by Royal Yachting Association Scotland. Skippers' responsibility.	Low

Coastguard / RNLI (Rhu), For a major medical incident afloat, the Coastguard would task RNLI Helensburgh lifeboat to be deployed and they have the option of landing casualties at James Watt Dock for onward transportation to Inverclyde Royal or South Glasgow University Hospital. Rhu marina has good access and provides shelter and stability for casualty handling.

EP Amended.
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