

Murwillumbah Rowing Club Inc.

Regatta Risk Assessment

Risk	Management
Competitor and / or official in the water as a result of capsize or other misadventure.	<p>Rowing course to be supervised by three umpire / rescue boats with required safety equipment.</p> <p>Each boat to be crewed by a licensed driver and qualified umpire.</p> <p>The crew will assist the competitor to climb back into the shell or rescue the competitor as appropriate.</p> <p>Rescue to be co coordinated by two way radio if more than one boat is required.</p> <p>Rescued competitors and their equipment are to be returned to the boating area.</p> <p>Competitors requiring first aid treatment to be handed over to the first aid officer or an ambulance officer as appropriate.</p>
On water collision with other competitors and / or officials during an event.	<p>All boats to be equipped with a bow ball as required by the rules.</p> <p>Boat traffic to be controlled as set out in the course rules printed in the program, explained by the announcer and supervised by the umpires.</p> <p>Course and transit lane to be clearly marked by temporary buoys.</p> <p>Umpires to effect rescues when collisions are not prevented from happening.</p>
Collisions with other craft.	<p>All other craft except the three umpire / rescue boats to be excluded from the course.</p> <p>Umpires to stop all craft owned by the public from passing through the course unless they are escorted by the umpire.</p>
Course unsafe to row on because of water or weather related conditions.	<p>Course to be cleared of debris by club members prior to the regatta.</p> <p>Umpire Referee to check that the course is safe prior to the commencement of racing.</p> <p>Umpire Referee to monitor weather conditions throughout the day and to suspend or cancel racing if the condition on the course are considered to be dangerous.</p>
Competitors and / or officials suffer injury or illness while on the water.	<p>Umpires to effect rescue when appropriate as set out above.</p> <p>Umpires to render first aid on the water if appropriate.</p> <p>If the injury or illness is life threatening the umpire is to commence emergency care immediately.</p> <p>The umpire referee to be informed immediately by two way radio and the ambulance to be called by mobile phone.</p>
Injury to competitors, officials, volunteers and spectators caused by accident or illness at the regatta site.	<p>Club committee to inspect the site prior to the arrival of competitors, officials, volunteers and spectators and ensure that it is in a safe condition.</p> <p>The site is to be monitored by the committee during competition to ensure that it remains safe.</p> <p>Qualified first aid officers to be appointed and rostered on duty for the duration of the regatta.</p> <p>Two first aid treatment areas are to be established; one at the umpire's tent and one in the club building.</p> <p>First aid kit to be supplied by the club.</p> <p>Minor first aid to be provided on site.</p> <p>Victims to be advised to seek medical advice at the casualty ward of the</p>

	<p>Murwillumbah District Hospital if more than minor treatment is required. If the injury or illness is considered to be life threatening the first aid officer is to commence emergency care immediately and the ambulance called by mobile phone.</p>
<p>Injury to competitors, officials, volunteers and spectators caused by traffic accident on the regatta site.</p>	<p>The committee to draw up a site plan showing the location of trailer parking and other designated areas.</p> <p>Limited car parking is available in the club car park.</p> <p>Other car parking is available in the street. (Legal car parking only)</p> <p>The committee to appoint and roster traffic officers to control access beyond the gate.</p> <p>Only authorised vehicles allowed beyond the gate on the club driveway.</p> <p>The gate is to be left open and the driveway to remain clear at all times to ensure ambulance access if required.</p> <p>Vehicles carrying equipment required at the regatta are to be allowed to drive beyond the gate to deliver and collect equipment. They must then be removed and parked off site.</p> <p>Vehicles towing rowing trailers are to be parked in the designated area under supervision of the rostered traffic officer. Tow vehicles are permitted to remain on site provided they are hitched up to the rowing trailer.</p>
<p>Injury caused by extreme weather.</p>	<p>Clubs are permitted to erect shade tents in the designated area as shown on the site plan published in the programme.</p> <p>The upstairs area and the balcony of the club building to be available to spectators.</p> <p>Club showers and other facilities are available to all personnel suffering from heat stroke.</p> <p>In the event of an extreme storm during the regatta causing suspension or cancellation of racing, the outdoors section of the site is to be evacuated. Competitors, officials, volunteers and spectators are to take shelter in the club building.</p> <p>Racing will not recommence until the Umpire Referee considers it safe to do so.</p>
<p>Injury caused by other extreme event eg fire, gas leak, electrical hazard, bomb threat, riot, terrorism etc.</p>	<p>If an extreme event occurs the committee shall suspend racing and organise the evacuation of the site. People will be directed to assemble in a safe place.</p> <p>The safe place will be decided by the committee depending on the nature of the event. It may be on site, in the building, or on public land off site.</p> <p>The evacuation order will be communicated by the announcer over the public address system and by committee members using loud hailers.</p> <p>The committee will call for the assistance of the appropriate emergency services by mobile phones.</p> <p>Racing will not recommence unless or until the committee and the Umpire Referee agree that it is safe to do so.</p>