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In addition to evidence of recent and relevant experience, the leader of any sailing session must hold an RYA senior Instructor Certificate with tidal endorsement if sailing on tidal waters. Leader must also be approved by LEA OUTDOOR EDUCATION ADVISER (OEA).

HAZARD	RISK	PEOPLE AT RISK	CONTROL MEASURES	COMMENTS/ ACTIONS	RESIDUAL RISK RATING	INITIAL IF ALL IN PLACE
Avoidable objective dangers/unsuitable location	Disabling or fatal injury	Pupils, staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Location is an RYA approved sailing centre or location has been specifically assessed by technical adviser - Senior Instructor minimum - as suitable for activity planned Ability/experience of group taken into account 	Written site specific risk assessment (and operating procedures if appropriate)	Low	
Water environment	Drowning	Pupils, staff,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A senior Instructor is present and overseeing all activities Pupils supervised in RYA recommended ratios by qualified staff whilst sailing Staff hold first aid and resuscitation awards Rescue craft are provided to RYA recommendations Shore location risk assessed and pupils on shore are suitably supervised Personal buoyancy meets RYA recommendations and leaders check always worn when afloat All craft have suitable buoyancy 		Low	
Equipment failure	Drowning	Pupils, staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All equipment is checked before use; an equipment log is maintained and an annual maintenance programme is undertaken 		Low	
Head injury	Injury	Pupils, Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants are trained re risk. Helmets and padded booms used if conditions dictate with beginners 		Low	

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Exposure to weather	Hypothermia	Pupils, staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suitable clothing and footwear • Plan for pupils who may do not bring suitable clothing – check before departure and/or bring spares • Shelter and changing arrangements provided • Weather forecast obtained, wind and water conditions constantly monitored and activity adjusted accordingly; alternative programme available if conditions unsuitable • Emergency telephone available 	Provide clear information re suitable clothing and equipment to pupils and parents	Low	
Pollution	Illness	Pupils, staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pupils and parents briefed re Weil's diseases and any other specific risks 		Low	

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