# Section 1: Risk Assessment Guidance

The assessor can assign values for the hazard severity (a) and likelihood of occurrence (b) (taking into account the frequency and duration of exposure) on a scale of 1 to 5, then multiply them together to give the rating band:

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| **Hazard Severity (a)** | Likelihood of Occurrence (b) |
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| 1 – Trivial (eg discomfort, slight bruising, self-help recovery) **2 – Minor** (eg small cut, abrasion, basic first aid need)  **3 – Moderate** (eg strain, sprain, incapacitation > 3 days)  **4 – Serious** (eg fracture, hospitalisation >24 hrs, incapacitation >4 weeks)  **5 – Fatal** (single or multiple) | **1 – Remote** (almost never)  **2 – Unlikely** (occurs rarely)  **3 – Possible** (could occur, but uncommon)  **4 – Likely** (recurrent but not frequent)  **5 – Very likely** (occurs frequently) |

The risk rating (high, medium or low) indicates the level of   
response required to be taken when designing the action plan.

**Trivial**

**Minor**

**Moderate**

**Serious**

**Fatal**

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| **Rating Bands (a x b)** | | |
| **LOW RISK**  **(1 – 8)** | **MEDIUM RISK**  **(9 - 12)** | **HIGH RISK**  **(15 - 25)** |
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| Continue, but review periodically to ensure controls remain effective | Continue, but implement additional reasonably practicable controls where possible and monitor regularly | **-STOP THE ACTIVITY-**  Identify new controls. Activity must not proceed until risks are reduced to a low or medium level |

**Remote**

**Unlikely**

**Possible**

**Likely**

**Very likely**

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| **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** |
| **2** | **4** | **6** | **8** | **10** |
| **3** | **6** | **9** | **12** | **15** |
| **4** | **8** | **12** | **16** | **20** |
| **5** | **10** | **15** | **20** | **25** |

# Section 2.01: Socials

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| Risk Assessment Record | | |
| Risk Assessment of:Socials | Assessor(s):Jess Pinnell | Date:24/04/2025 |
| Overview of activity / location / equipment / conditions being assessed:Activity: Socials **Location:** UK  **Equipment:**  **Conditions:** |  | |
| Generic or specific assessment?Generic assessment | Context of assessmentCreation of operating procedures | |

| # | Hazard(s) identified | Persons affected | Existing controls & measures | A | B | A x B | Additional controls required |
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| 1 | Injury to students on journey to/from venue | All | * Sober First Aiders to be present. They may be provided by the venue. * Care to be taken by individuals when walking to/from club * Boisterous activity such as piggy backing to be discouraged | 3 | 2 | 6 |  |
| 2 | Injury to students at venue | All | * Venue safety guidelines to be followed. * Students responsible for awareness of location of fire escapes and fire extinguishers * Reminder to be given on basic safety awareness. No running etc. | 5 | 1 | 5 |  |
| 3 | Food Poisoning | All | * Venue responsible for ensuring food safety rules and regulations are followed. * Students have their own responsibility to ensure that they buy food from a respectable outlet.   Self-Catering:   * Food that has passed use by date not consumed * Food kept at suitable temperature during storage * Ensuring individuals aware of risks. | 2 | 2 | 4 |  |
| 4 | Allergies | All | * Personal responsibility of the individual to inform someone within the group of any allergies that may affect them during the trip. * Medical requirements confirmed with group, for example epi- pen. * Canoe Club Medical Form should gather all relevant medical details. The Canoe Club is not responsible for any issues arising due to undeclared medical conditions. * Centre to be advised of any students with allergies. | 5 | 1 | 5 |  |
| 6 | Under 18’s | All | * Students made aware that the event is for over 18’s only * List given to SU to check if any under 18’s have signed up | 2 | 3 | 6 |  |
| 7 | Intoxicated students | All | * Sober First Aiders present. They may be provided by the venue * Atmosphere of support in the group should encourage support of any intoxicated person. * Sober senior club member to be present * Remind club members of the dangers of entering the water while intoxicated and that the club does not condone this | 2 | 3 | 5 |  |
| 8 | Drowning | All | * Kayaking socials are often located near to water. Late at night/after having a drink, cold water shock and drowning becomes a significant risk. * Any social taking place near water must remind participants to stay away from the water when not taking part in kayaking activity. * To discourage swimming after dark and / or while intoxicated, doing so will result in the cancellation of going to the beach the following day. * To discourage swimming after dark and / or while intoxicated, doing so will result in the cancellation of the next trip. * The club will not offer any alcohol (such as punch) when near water so that members are in control of their own consumption. * Social areas on the beach are to be properly lit to ensure members can easily keep an eye on each other. | 5 | 2 | 10 |  |
| 9 | Cash handling | All | * Social fees should be paid for via an SU product where possible * Any money collected by committee members must be paid in to SU finance ASAP * Tickets provided as proof of purchase   List with names of all those who have paid (trip list) | 1 | 3 | 3 |  |

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|  | Assessor signature:Jess Pinnell (Chair 24-25) | Print name: Jess Pinnell | Review date: 24/04/2025 |