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| **Risk Assessment** | | | | |
| **Risk Assessment for the activity of** | *Southampton University Kiteboarding Society* Generic Risk Assessment | | **Date** | *03/09/2024* |
| **Are you a sports club or society?** | *Society* | **Assessor** | *Adam Farrington* | |
| **President/Captain Name/2nd Committee Member** | *Duncan Johnson-Ferguson* | **Signed off** | ***SUSU USE ONLY*** | |
| **Risk Assessment Information**  (What is this risk assessment for? Please provide a summary of the activity or event, including all relevant information) | *Kiteboarding is a sport which takes place on the sea in strong winds. This entails using a kite to power yourself along the water whilst on a twin-tip board.* | | | |

| ***PART A*** | | | | | | | | | | |
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| **(1) Risk identification** | | | **(2) Risk assessment** | | | | **(3) Risk management** | | | |
| **Hazard** | **Potential Consequences** | **Who might be harmed**  **(user; those nearby; those in the vicinity; members of the public)** | **Inherent** | | |  | **Residual** | | | **Further controls (use the risk hierarchy)** |
| **Likelihood** | **Impact** | **Score** | **Control measures (use the risk hierarchy)** | **Likelihood** | **Impact** | **Score** |
| **General Considerations (including group meetings)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| Equipment failure | Accident and/or Injury | User, nearby members | 2 | 5 | 10 | **All equipment used is up to date and SUSU standards. The gear is systematically checked to be safe.** | 1 | 5 | 5 | If the injury is serious and participant in a lot of pain or discomfort, seek medical attention immediately.  Call 999 in an emergency.  Any incidents need to be reported as soon as possible ensuring duty manager/health and safety officers have been informed. Follow SUSU incident report policy. |
| Hit in head by board/others kite | Injury, concussion | User, nearby members | 2 | 5 | 10 | **General rules of right of way and water to be followed at all times. All members strongly encouraged to wear helmets. All committee will lead by example and wear helmets while kiting** | 1 | 5 | 5 | In case of an emergency, please pull nearest fire alarm and ensure all participants leave the venue calmly and safely.  Once in a safe position to do so, call the emergency services on 999.  Any incidents need to be reported as soon as possible ensuring duty manager/health and safety officers have been informed. Follow SUSU incident report policy. |
| Launching kite | Accident and/or Injury | User, nearby members | 3 | 4 | 12 | **Wind direction checked and speed before launch, user launching the kite to be held down in the case of extreme winds.** | 1 | 4 | 4 | Seek assistance if in need of extra help from facilities staff/venue staff if needed  Seek medical attention from SUSU Reception if in need  Contact emergency services if needed  All incidents are to be reported on the as soon as possible ensuring the duty manager/health and safety officer have been informed. Follow [SUSU incident report policy](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident) |
| Over exertion/. exhaustion | Muscle injury, strains/pulls | User | 3 | 3 | 9 | **Those leading the session should lead proper warm ups and cool downs. Gym sessions and programs encouraged.** | 1 | 3 | 3 | Seek medical attention if problem arises |
| Individuals getting lost | Missing the transport | User | 2 | 3 | 6 | * Everyone has been informed to stay in groups of three or more. | 1 | 2 | 2 | * The phone numbers of the committee members in attendance have been given to everyone. Social media contact is also available via the Facebook group and chat.   The committee will keep everyone together and periodically conduct group counts |
| Slips, Trips, Falls | Accident and/or Injury | * Students * Members of the public | 1 | 3 | 3 | * Group sizes reduced to ensure no large groups are formed. * Students will be encouraged to take care when crossing busy streets and when negotiating paths. Students will also be encouraged to wear appropriate footwear when travelling by foot. | 1 | 3 | 3 | In case of an emergency, call the emergency services on 999.  If those with accessibility problems have not been able to exit, make the building manager and emergency services aware.  Any incidents need to be reported as soon as possible ensuring duty manager/health and safety officers have been informed. Follow SUSU incident report policy. |
| Travelling around location | Large groups forming | * Students   Members of the public | 3 | 2 | 6 | * Everyone has been informed to stay in groups of three or more. | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |
| **Financial Risk:**  For the club or society, or potentially even SUSU if the club/soc finds itself in difficulty. | Club or society activity costing more than planned, weakening their financial position.  Incidents with members of the public, participants, staff or members causing lawsuits and financial penalties. | The club or society  Members subject to lawsuits  SUSU if required to assist. | 1 | 1 | 1 | * split students into smaller groups to avoid large groups forming | 3 | 1 | 4 | Organisers to familiarise self with location and destinations in advance. Interary provided were possible. E.g. use websites like trip advisor, google maps |
| Traffic- accident or collision | Death or major injury | * Students   Members of the Public | 1 | 5 | 5 | * Where possible students should avoid driving own vehicles in county. Travel by public transport, hire of coach/bus with reputable company * Buses without seatbelts are avoided if possible and never used on high speed roads * Student drivers- The driver will need to become familiar with local roads. It is important to verify that the driver is actually licensed to drive a vehicle * Verbal warning of risk * Encourage students to use pedestrian crossings wherever possible   Encourage students to travel in appropriate | 1 | 3 | 3 | * Contact local emergency services and laws on driving in country * Gather all evidence and complete the incident form - If the Duty Manager is not present the incident report must be filled out immediately, it can be found on the SUSU website here.- https://www.susu.org/contact.html * Ensure all participants have insurance and access to details |
| **Medical Issues:**  Adverse Weather | Sunstroke, heatstroke, cold, minor illnesses as a result of weather | * Students | 1 | 2 | 2 | Advise students and helpers to take appropriate clothing i.e. waterproofs, hat, sun cream | 1 | 1 | 1 | Should weather be deemed ‘adverse’ this activity will be cancelled |
| **Activity Considerations** | | | | | | | | | | |
| Risk of Violent Crime, harassment and/or abuse | Accident and or injury | * Students   - Members of the public | 1 | 4 | 4 | * Students will be encouraged to stay in groups at all time. * Stay away from large gatherings or demonstrations * Organisers to have a record of & to share details of the consular office for the nationality of each participant * Advise participants to use common sense when getting into vehicles, or accepting invitations and to get out of the vehicle if they feel at risk   Participants all advised to give up their valuables in the event of a confrontation to prioritise own safety | 1 | 3 | 3 | Seek medical attention if problem arises  Any incidents need to be reported as soon as possible ensuring duty manager/health and safety officers have been informed. Follow SUSU incident report policy. |
| Medical Emergency | Participants may sustain injury due to; pre-existing medical conditions, an incident whilst travelling, or as a result of a poor response to a previous medical situation. | Student participants | 3 | 5 | 15 | * advise participants; to bring their personal medication, what numbers to ring in an emergency, and that the priority is to first seek medical attention in country * Advice participants to bring enough medication for activity duration and include ingredients list, packaging (to support in country medical team if required) * Next of kin and medical details have been collected in case they are needed for medical reasons- stored securely following GDPR Guideline**s**   Organisers to familiarise self and brief participants on local medical facilities | 2 | 5 | 10 | * Contact in country emergency services and consular office |
| Drowning- tours/trips by the sea, lakes etc, activities involving water | Serious injury/fatality. | Student participants | 3 | 5 | 15 | * Participants to follow local advice on tides etc * Ideally swimming should be avoided when no lifeguard provision is available * Follow FCO guidance on country safety. on tidal patterns * Advice common sense- Participants undertake activities at own risk- encouraged to think about own ability e.g. swimming competency and training (water sports) * Life jackets/PPI to be worn as instructed   Swimming at night to be avoided | 2 | 5 | 10 | * Contact in country emergency services and consular office * Ongoing dynamic risk assessment taking into account location and weather |
| **Participant Attire:**  Is the clothing they are wearing, including shoes, relevant to the sport or activity | Injury can occur if people are not wearing attire appropriate to the sport or activity. | All participants and organisers/staff and spectators | 2 | 3 | 6 | Ensure all participants are wearing suitable clothing (nothing in pockets) and appropriate footwear. Is specific safety equipment required i.e., helmet, pads, gum shield etc? | 1 | 3 | 3 | If the injury is serious and participant in a lot of pain or discomfort, seek medical attention immediately.  Call 999 in an emergency.  Any incidents need to be reported as soon as possible ensuring duty manager/health and safety officers have been informed. Follow SUSU incident report policy. |
| **Extreme Weather** | Heat or sun – risk of sunburn, heat exhaustion and dehydration.  Cold – risk of hypothermia.  Weather directly influences ground surfaces (see below) and the risk of slips, trips and falls (see above) | All participants and organisers/staff and spectators | 3 | 3 | 9 | Ensure regular drinks breaks are taken, and that each participant and staff member is advised to bring their own drinks bottle.  If it is hot or sunny, ensure participants have taken steps to reduce their chance of harm – i.e., use of sun cream, hats and having available shaded area.  If it is cold, ensure participants have suitable attire to enable them to keep warm. | 1 | 3 | 3 | If anyone is affected by the heat or cold, seek immediate medical attention.  If severe, call 999 in an emergency.  Any incidents need to be reported as soon as possible ensuring duty manager/health and safety officers have been informed. Follow SUSU incident report policy. |
| **Ground Surfaces** | Hard, uneven or slippery surfaces, usually linked to weather, that can cause slips trips and falls (see section 1). | All participants and organisers/staff and spectators | 2 | 3 | 6 | Check areas for hazards prior to session starting.  Ensure participants are wearing suitable clothing (nothing in pockets) and appropriate footwear. | 1 | 3 | 3 | If the injury is serious and participant in a lot of pain or discomfort, seek medical attention immediately.  Call 999 in an emergency.  Any incidents need to be reported as soon as possible ensuring duty manager/health and safety officers have been informed. Follow SUSU incident report policy. |
| **Injury from insufficient warmups** | Pulled or strained muscles | Players/Participants | 3 | 3 | 9 | Players/participants told the benefits of an effective warm up and encouraged to complete. Warmups led by an appropriately qualified or experienced individual. Appropriate recovery methods also discussed to ensure muscles are more pliable to warm up. | 1 | 3 | 9 | If the injury is serious and participant in a lot of pain or discomfort, seek medical attention immediately.  Call 999 in an emergency.  Any incidents need to be reported as soon as possible ensuring duty manager/health and safety officers have been informed. Follow SUSU incident report policy. |
| **Qualification of coaches/instructors** | Participants could be hurt or hurt each other if the coach does not possess relevant qualifications to be able to deliver the sport or activity safely. | Players/Participants | 3 | 3 | 9 | Clubs will source coaches/instructors that have the relevant qualifications to deliver their sport to that target audience (for example, football coaches will need a UEFA C/FA level 2 to be able to coach a team). Clubs are to research this and liaise with the students union. | 1 | 3 | 3 |  |
| **Socials** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Costumes/Fancy Dress** | Props/costumes causing injury or offence | Participants  Members of the public | 2 | 2 | 4 | Ask members to only bring small items and use sensibly. Members of the society are responsible for their own possessions and the use of them.  Choose a theme unlikely to cause offence. Any participant wearing items deemed offensive asked to remove these.  Society to follow and share with members Code of conduct/SUSU [Expect Respect policy](https://www.susu.org/downloads/SUSU-Expect-Respect-Policy.pdf) | 1 | 2 | 2 | SUSU [Expect Respect policy](https://www.susu.org/downloads/SUSU-Expect-Respect-Policy.pdf) to be followed  Committee WIDE training |
| **Alcohol consumption** | Participants may become at risk as a result of alcohol consumption  Members of the public may act violently towards participants. | Event organisers, event attendees, | 2 | 5 | 10 | Members are responsible for their individual safety though and are expected to act sensibly  Initiation behaviour not to be tolerated and drinking games to be discouraged  For socials at bars/pubs etc bouncers will be present at most venues.  Bar Security staff will need to be alerted and emergency services called as required.  Where possible the consumption of alcohol will take place at licensed premises. The conditions on the license will be adhered to and alcohol will not be served to customers who have drunk to excess  Committee to select ‘student friendly’ bars/clubs and contact them in advance to inform them of the event  Society to follow and share with members Code of conduct/SUSU [Expect Respect policy](https://www.susu.org/downloads/SUSU-Expect-Respect-Policy.pdf) | 1 | 3 | 5 | Follow [SUSU incident report policy](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident)  Call emergency services as required 111/999  Committee WIDE training |
| **Travel** | Vehicle’s collision -causing serious injury | Event organisers, event attendees, Members of the public | 4 | 3 | 12 | Members are responsible for their individual safety though and are expected to act sensibly  Local venues known to University of Southampton (UoS) students chosen  Event organisers will be available to direct people between venues.  Attendees will be encouraged to identify a ‘buddy’, this will make it easier for people to stay together. They will be encouraged (but not expected) to look out for one another and check in throughout the night where possible.  Avoid large groups of people totally blocking the pavement or spilling in to the road.  Anybody in the group who is very drunk or appears unwell and therefore not safe should be encouraged to go home ideally with someone else. If required a taxi will be called for them (ideally SUSU safety bus will be used, or radio taxis).  Be considerate of other pedestrians & road users, keep disturbance & noise down. | 2 | 2 | 4 | Where possible venues chosen for socials will be local/known to members and within a short distance from each other.  Contact emergency services as required 111/999  Incidents are to be reported on the as soon as possible ensuring the duty manager/health and safety officer have been informed.  Follow [SUSU incident report policy](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident) |
| **Travel by car, train, bus, plane when leaving the local area.** | Vehicle collision – causing anything from minor to severe injuries, as well as mental health issues. | Members, those driving, members of the public | 4 | 3 | 12 | Club committee to check that drivers have the relevant licences and insurance for the mode of travel. This includes if they have completed a SUSU minibus test.  Members expected to drive or travel in a sensible manor, with those doing otherwise to face disciplinary action (from the club in the first instance). Can cause reputational issues, especially if driving SUSU branded vehicles. Importance of this to be reminded. | 2 | 2 | 4 | Contact emergency services as required 111/999  Incidents are to be reported on the as soon as possible ensuring the duty manager/health and safety officer have been informed.  Follow [SUSU incident report policy](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident) |
| **Medical emergency** | Members may sustain injury /become unwell  pre-existing medical conditions  Sickness  Distress | Members | 3 | 5 | 15 | Advise participants; to bring their personal medication  Members/Committee to carry out first aid if necessary and only if qualified and confident to do so  Contact emergency services as required 111/999  Contact SUSU Reception/Venue staff for first aid support | 2 | 5 | 15 | Incidents are to be reported on the as soon as possible ensuring the duty manager/health and safety officer have been informed.  Follow [SUSU incident report policy](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident) |
| **Spiked Drinks/Alcohol Poisoning** | Participants may consume too much alcohol during this event or be spiked. This could result in a loss of consciousness or self- control | Event organisers, event attendees, | **2** | **5** | **10** | Supervision, the event will be run by the society committee These attend each venue. Ideally, they will not drink to excess during the event  Bouncers/trained staff in Pubs should watch for excessive drinking and watch people who are believed to have consumed a lot of alcohol. Report any suspicious behaviour to staff.  Participants encouraged to stay with a nominated ‘buddy’ where possible.  The organizers have confirmed the premise is licensed. **Action organizers (b).**   * The consumption of alcohol will take place at licensed premises. The conditions on the license will be adhered to and alcohol will not be served to customers who have drunk to excess. Action licensee.   **Games involving binge drinking or the consumption of excessive amounts of alcohol are not to be undertaken.- Society to follow Code of conduct/**[**Expect Respect policy**](https://www.susu.org/downloads/SUSU-Expect-Respect-Policy.pdf) | **2** | **3** | **6** | Members are responsible for their individual safety though and are expected to act sensibly when walking around. For anyone who is too inebriated it will be suggested to them that they should return home rather than continue on the social. Taxis will be called if required (look at SUSU safety Bus, Radio Taxis options)  If they need to go to the hospital they will also be accompanied there.  Participants advised to avoid leaving drinks unattended and if you think anything has been added to a drink; report it; try and retain the drink for testing.  All incidents are to be reported on the as soon as possible ensuring the duty manager/health and safety officer have been informed.  Follow [SUSU incident report policy](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident) |
| **Members getting lost or separated. Members leaving an event/activity alone or without notifying others.** | During the event participants may decide they want to l  eave, or they may get lost on the way | Event organisers, event attendees, | 3 | 3 | 9 | If a person leaves without warning all efforts will be done to locate them. Stress however that attendees are responsible for their individual safety.  Supervision, the event will be run by the society committee These attend each venue. Ideally, they will not drink to excess during the event  Venues chosen local and within a short distance from each other. Will look to select venues known to UoS students and within student areas. | 2 | 2 | 4 | Follow [SUSU incident report policy](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident)  Call emergency services as required |
| **Violent or offensive behaviour** | Participants may become violent or offensive due to the consumption of too much alcohol.  Members of the public may act violently towards participants. | Event organisers, event attendees, | 2 | 5 | 10 | Bouncers will be present at most venues.  Bar Security staff will need to be alerted and emergency services called as required.  The consumption of alcohol will take place at licensed premises. The conditions on the license will be adhered to and alcohol will not be served to customers who have drunk to excess  Committee to select ‘student friendly’ bars/clubs and contact them in advance to inform them of the event  Society to follow and share with members Code of conduct/SUSU [Expect Respect policy](https://www.susu.org/downloads/SUSU-Expect-Respect-Policy.pdf) | 1 | 3 | 5 | If the situation becomes very serious and results in the participant being arrested then it will be made clear that they cannot be accompanied to the police station.  Follow [SUSU incident report policy](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident)  Call emergency services as required |
| **Adverse weather** | Injury, Illness, Slipping, Burns | Event organisers, event attendees, | 4 | 3 | 12 | Lead organiser to check the weather are suitable for activities on the day  Warn those attending to prepare by wearing appropriate clothing and footwear e.g. via social media posts, email invites  In the case of hot weather organisers to advice participants to bring/wear appropriate level sunscreen, hydrate | 4 | 1 | 4 | If adverse weather is too extreme to be controlled, the event should ultimately be cancelled or postponed to a different date |
| **Slips, trips and falls as a result of alcohol** | Consumption of too much alcohol may result in participants falling and subsequently injuring themselves. | Event organisers, event attendees, | 3 | 2 | 6 | Committee to check that chosen venues meet the following requirements:   * Venue is in good condition with no major trip hazards. * Bar staff monitor the condition of the floors & mop up split drinks. * Security staff & Bar Staff provide first aid cover.   DJ’s or bands equipment placed so as not to form a trip hazard. Power supply leads taped down. | 3 | 1 | 3 | If necessary, emergency services will be called  Request first aid at venue  Follow [SUSU incident report policy](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident) |
| **Allergies - food and drink** | Allergic reactions to food and drink when out | Event organisers, event attendees, | 3 | 5 | 15 | Attendees responsible for own welfare I such instances- follow guidelines of venues.  First aid requested from bar staff as required. | 1 | 5 | 5 | Call Emergency Services/alert bar staff |

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| ***PART B – Action Plan*** | | | | | | |
| **Risk Assessment Action Plan** | | | | | | |
| **Part no.** | **Action to be taken, incl. Cost** | **By whom** | **Target date** | **Review date** | **Outcome at review date** | |
| 1 | Before booking trip organisers to investigate country information and region safety via government FCO Website- <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice> | Duncan Johnson-Ferguson |  |  |  | |
| 2 | Organisers to ensure appropriate travel insurance has been secured by/for each participant | Duncan Johnson-Ferguson |  |  | Kitesurfing Insurance (BKSA) | |
| 3 | Participant briefing on health & safety before trip e.g. meeting, online, emails (including consular and emergency services information) | Duncan Johnson-Ferguson |  |  | Meeting and Info distributed | |
| 4 | Trip itinerary and details of hotels/flights shared with all participants | Duncan Johnson-Ferguson |  |  | Done | |
| 5 | Organisers to check and pack a first aid kit | Duncan Johnson-Ferguson |  |  | DOne | |
| 6 | Organisers Severe Weather and Natural Disaster Check prior to departure | Duncan Johnson-Ferguson |  |  |  | |
| 7 | Transport- where student drivers and hire vehicles to be used ensure company vehicle safety checks area carried out, and research laws on licencing  Book appropriate travel insurance/cover | Duncan Johnson-Ferguson |  |  | Done | |
| Responsible committee member signature: Adam Farrington | | | | Responsible committee member signature: Duncan Johnson-Ferguson | | |
| Print name: ADAM FARRINGTON | | | Date:03/09/2024 | Print name:DUNCAN JOHNSON-FERGUSON | | Date03/09/2024 |

**Assessment Guidance**

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| 1. Eliminate | Remove the hazard wherever possible which negates the need for further controls | If this is not possible then explain why |  |
| 1. Substitute | Replace the hazard with one less hazardous | If not possible then explain why |
| 1. Physical controls | Examples: enclosure, fume cupboard, glove box | Likely to still require admin controls as well |
| 1. Admin controls | Examples: training, supervision, signage |  |
| 1. Personal protection | Examples: respirators, safety specs, gloves | Last resort as it only protects the individual |

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| **LIKELIHOOD** | 5 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 |
| 4 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 16 | 20 |
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| **IMPACT** | | | | |

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| Impact | | Health & Safety |
| 1 | Trivial - insignificant | Very minor injuries e.g. slight bruising |
| 2 | Minor | Injuries or illness e.g. small cut or abrasion which require basic first aid treatment even in self-administered. |
| 3 | Moderate | Injuries or illness e.g. strain or sprain requiring first aid or medical support. |
| 4 | Major | Injuries or illness e.g. broken bone requiring medical support >24 hours and time off work >4 weeks. |
| 5 | Severe – extremely significant | Fatality or multiple serious injuries or illness requiring hospital admission or significant time off work. |

Risk process

1. Identify the impact and likelihood using the tables above.
2. Identify the risk rating by multiplying the Impact by the likelihood using the coloured matrix.
3. If the risk is amber or red – identify control measures to reduce the risk to as low as is reasonably practicable.
4. If the residual risk is green, additional controls are not necessary.
5. If the residual risk is amber the activity can continue but you must identify and implement further controls to reduce the risk to as low as reasonably practicable.
6. If the residual risk is red do not continue with the activity until additional controls have been implemented and the risk is reduced.
7. Control measures should follow the risk hierarchy, where appropriate as per the pyramid above.
8. The cost of implementing control measures can be taken into account but should be proportional to the risk i.e. a control to reduce low risk may not need to be carried out if the cost is high but a control to manage high risk means that even at high cost the control would be necessary.

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| Likelihood | |
| 1 | Rare e.g. 1 in 100,000 chance or higher |
| 2 | Unlikely e.g. 1 in 10,000 chance or higher |
| 3 | Possible e.g. 1 in 1,000 chance or higher |
| 4 | Likely e.g. 1 in 100 chance or higher |
| 5 | Very Likely e.g. 1 in 10 chance or higher |