

Shuswap Association for Rowing and Paddling Policies and Procedures

Safe Paddling

Dragon Boating

All members must read and sign our SARP waiver before participating in any club activity.

All Members must have an approved Personal Flotation Devices and it must be worn properly for all events or when using the equipment. Members using Dragon boats or participating in events shall observe the Paddlers Safety Guidelines and the Canadian Coast Guard Safe Boating Guide.

Members should inform their guest of the guidelines for SARP events. All guests on paddling and rowing events must sign a waiver and release of liability.

Children minimum 12 to 18 are welcome but must have a waiver signed by their parent.

All members who participate in a group activity must have all necessary safety equipment on board the club boat.

Including:

- A buoyant heaving line no less than 15 M
- a bailer or manual water pump
- a sound signaling device such as a whistle
- first Aid Kit.

Club boats are to be used only for group sanctioned activities and clinics. They are not for rent or to be used privately or with friends. A buddy system is required when participating in Dragon Boating activities.

All participants need to plan their clothing for the water, not the outside weather and should always carry water and sunscreen on trips. No alcohol or drugs are to be used while on the water as they affect clear thinking, coordination and reaction time and therefore put others in the group at risk. All group outings must have a designed leader who must record and leave behind a sign out list with all members that our in the boat.