
	<p>BOATING</p> <p>CANAL AND RIVER</p>	 <p>Bracknell Forest Council</p>
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DESCRIPTION:

Boating activities on canals and rivers.

QUALIFICATIONS:

The person in charge must have passed a relevant boat / narrow boat handling course for river, canal or equivalent unless exceptionally they have a degree of previous personal experience and/or training.

STAFFING RATIO:

The Department for Transport regulations state that the maximum number of berths in a boat is 12. As a guide there should be one adult to every 3 children and young people.

PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Warm clothing, water resistant outer shell, appropriate buoyancy aids must be worn at all times when outside the cabin.

HAZARDS:

- Weather
- Hypothermia
- Drowning
- Other boating traffic
- Weirs
- Locks

GUIDANCE:

All boats must comply with the British Waterways Board, Environment Agency or other relevant authority's licensing regulations and hold a current certificate of compliance where appropriate.

OTHER INFORMATION:

The Waterways Code:

http://www.britishwaterways.co.uk/media/documents/publications/Waterways_Code_Leaflet.pdf