



Hastings District Canoe Club

Paddlesport Activity Assistant

Role and Responsibilities

Role:	Sea Group Leader
Responsible to:	Club committee through the Paddlesport Activity Coordinator
Role purpose:	To manage a group of experienced paddlers on the sea during club sessions
Environment:	Wind speed no more than 10 knots, 12 mph, 19km/h Wave height no more than 4ft, 1.2m and not 'dumping'.
Commitment:	2-4 hrs a week

Main Tasks:

- ❖ To take responsibility for a defined group of suitably experienced paddlers during a club session.
- ❖ To assess that the prevailing sea and weather conditions are within remit and within the ability of the group.
- ❖ To ensure that the group has all the appropriate equipment for the session
- ❖ To ensure that the group is suitably dressed for the conditions and is correctly wearing all necessary safety equipment.
- ❖ To coordinate the movement of the group to the water's edge and ensure safe entry of the group to the water.
- ❖ To coordinate the activities of the group during the session in accordance with the instructions of the lead Coach.
- ❖ To ensure all club policies and procedures relating to the activities are followed.
- ❖ To support or rescue members of the group, if required, and to summon assistance if needed.
- ❖ To safely return the group to the club hose at the end of the session.
- ❖ To ensure that all club equipment used by the group is suitably cleaned and put away in the correct locations.

Skills Required

- Competent sea paddler;
- Well organised;
- Good communication and leadership;
- Committed to providing safe, ethical, effective and paddler-focussed activity;
- Enthusiastic and able to motivate others.