



Exe Regatta 3 and 4 July 2010 under the burgee Topsham Sailing Club River – Risk Assessment

Serial no.	Nature of Risk	Severity of Risk	To whom	Method of minimisation	Acceptability Y/ N
1	Shallow waters / neap tides / off lying rocks / sand bar	High	Competitors.	Understand the race courses being set by the Officer of the Day, use up to date charts, know tide times and tidal streams.	Y
2	Collisions between racing boats.	High	Self and other Competitors.	Competitors to keep a good look out	Y
3	Man overboard	High	Man overboard, those on the racing boats and others.	Have a drill established for recovery of MOB and for cruisers have a working radio that all on board know how to use in order to alert other boats and if necessary the emergency services of the incident.	Y
4	Royal Marine range.	Low	Competitors and OOD	Check firing dates & times.	Y
5	Injuries to Competitors and others.	Low	Competitors & others.	For cruisers a first aid kit on board, working radio and an established drill for dealing with injuries. For dinghies a plan to deal with injuries and an ability to signal the need for a safety boat to attend	Y
6	Sunburn & dehydration.	Medium	Competitors.	Adequate drinks & sun creams.	Y
7	Pleasure craft (sail & power), swimmers, waders, beach & boat fishermen.	Medium	Those on the racing boats and others.	Competitors to keep a good look out	Y
8	Equipment breakages.	Medium	Competitors and others in the area at the time of incident.	Check equipment before racing.	Y