

# British Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 - Northern

## 2. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19| Club Information

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### 1. Club Name

Tyne Amateur Rowing Club

### 2. Name of person authorised by the club to accurately complete this audit

Colin Percy

### 3. Position in your club

CWSA

### 4. Your email address

colinwpercy@gmail.com

### 5. Is your club a Non-Rowing club i.e. you do not row at all?

No

### 6. Does your club operate under the safety policies and Rowing Safety Adviser of another (host) club? If so, please select the club in the list below.

If your club operates under it's own safety policies and Rowing Safety Adviser, please select 'No' from the list below.

No

### 7. Do you host any club(s) e.g. Alumni, who operate under your club's safety policy and your Club Rowing Safety Adviser? If so please state the name(s) of these clubs. If not, then please choose 'None of them' from the list.

Northumbria University Boat Club

### 8. Do you host any club(s) who do not operate under your safety policies or Club Rowing Safety Adviser. Please state the name(s). If not, then please choose 'None of them' from the list.

None of them

## 3. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Rowing Safety Advisers

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### 9. Please fill in the club's postal address and website.

Postal address of your boathouse - Line 1 : Water Row

Postal address of your boathouse - Line 2 : Newburn

Postal address of your boathouse - Line 3 : Newcastle upon Tyne

Post Code : NE15 8NL

If your club has a website please give its web address : [www.tynerowing.club.org](http://www.tynerowing.club.org)

## 4. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Club Rowing Safety Adviser Contact Details

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**10. Please fill in the CRSA's contact details .**

**Note: if you are a student these details should be your university term-time residence.**

Name : Colin Percy  
Address- Line 1 : 10 Stephenson Terrace  
Address - Line 2 : Wylam  
Post Code : NE41 8DZ  
Telephone Number : 07985003304  
Email Address for Immediate Contact : safety@tynearc.com  
British Rowing Membership Number : 201909G1024918

**5. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Alternative / Deputy Club Rowing Safety Adviser Contact Details**

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**11. Please fill in the contact details of your alternative (deputy) CRSA.**

**Note: if you are a student these details should be your university term-time residence. If you do not have one, please fill in your club secretary contact details.**

Name : None  
Address-Line 1 : N/A  
Address - Line 2 : N/A  
Post Code : N/A  
Telephone Number : N/A

**6. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Boats & Blades**

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**12. What is the total number of boats (fine, coastal, adaptive, etc.) at your club, including those privately owned? (Please enter '0' for none)**

Single (1x) : 75  
Coxless Pair or Double (2-/x) : 16  
Coxed Pair (2+) : 0  
Coxless Four or Quad (4-/x) : 12  
Coxed Four or Quad (4+/x+) : 7  
Eight (8+) : 7

**13. How many boats, including privately owned, are deemed to require additional buoyancy if used in a potential swamping situation? (Please enter 0 for none)**

Single (1x) : 0  
Coxless Pair or Double (2-/x) : 0  
Coxed Pair (2+) : 0  
Coxless Four or Quad (4-/x) : 1  
Coxed Four or Quad (4+/x+) : 0  
Eight (8+) : 0

**14. Where the construction of a boat or its composition is such that the bow presents a hazard in a collision, has the bow been protected with rubber or a similar resilient material that removes the hazard? (The fixing itself must not be a hazard.)**

Yes

**15. Where 'fitted shoes' are employed, do they have effective heel restraints which are properly adjusted and in working order? (the heel must be prevented from rising higher than 7cm measured at right angles from the footplate).**

**Likewise, does the foot release (from any other type of fitment that may be used) self-activate and not require the intervention of the athlete or a rescuer?**

Yes

16. Are all boats checked before and after outings for buoyancy, heel restraints, bow balls strapping, floats and integrity? Are failures reported and boats not used until issues have been resolved?

Yes

## 7. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Management

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17. Does your club review its risk assessments regularly (typically yearly)?  
*(Please only tick "Yes" if you have uploaded an up-to-date copy of your Risk Assessment for club activities and your Club Safety Plan to your Google Drive folder)*

To Address

18. Does your club cover the topics listed in the "RowSafe" guide (where relevant) in your club induction?

Yes

19. Does your club ensure the identified risk controls are in place as listed in the "RowSafe" guide?

To Address

20. Does your club have a designated Safety Notice Board in a prominent position?

Yes

21. Does your club ensure that new members are shown the Safety Notice Board and information explained to them?

Yes

22. Does your club review the findings of the Club's Rowing Safety Audit and implement its recommendations at committee level as appropriate?

Yes

## 8. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | First Aid / Medical

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23. Does your club have an Emergency Action Plan (EAP) within the Club Safety Plan which is communicated to all club members?

*(Please only tick "Yes" if you have uploaded an up-to-date copy of your Emergency Action Plan to your Google Drive Folder)*

To Address

24. Does your club keep a record of Club First Aiders and encourage them to maintain their certification?

Yes

25. Does your club provide suitable quantities of first aid materials within box(es) clearly identified as "First Aid" which are in easily accessible areas of the club and/or boathouse?

Yes

26. Does your club advise members about the risks of sunburn, heat stroke and heat exhaustion, and of local guidance relating to this issue?

Yes

27. Does your club provide information on diseases most likely to be encountered by club members, either on their home water or when they visit other venues?

To Address

28. Does your club have immediate access to a defibrillator?

No

## 9. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Incidents Procedure

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29. Does your club require that all club members are made aware of what constitutes an incident and 'near incident' that needs reporting and that all are aware of how to report them online?

Yes

30. Does your club regularly monitor the British Rowing online reporting system to gather information on club incidents and use the statistics to develop safer practices?

Yes

31. Does your club keep the members informed of incidents and 'near incidents' at the club and ways in which action must be taken to avoid repetition?

Yes

## 10. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Safety Aids

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32. Does your club have written procedures in place for the use of safety aids and ensure that all members understand and follow them?

To Address

33. Does your club require all coxswains to wear an approved lifejacket or buoyancy aid on top of all other garments when in a boat (note front-loader guidance below)?

Yes

34. Does your club require all launch drivers and passengers to wear an approved lifejacket or buoyancy aid on top of all other garments when in a launch?

Yes

35. Does your club ensure that, before use, all lifejackets and buoyancy aids:

	Yes	To Address	N/A
Are checked for wear and tear	X		
Are checked for damage	X		
Contain an appropriate gas cylinder	X		
Have a service record in the maintenance log		X	
Have a designated place where they can dry out naturally away from a heat source	X		

36. Does your club ensure that all safety aids, particularly throw lines, are readily accessible and stored ready for use where they may be needed in an emergency.

Yes

37. Does your club provide training for Safety Aids? Please specify what other Safety Aids your club provides training for, if applicable.

	Yes	To Address	N/A
Throw Lines		X	
Lifejackets	X		
Lifeguard Tubes			X

38. How many lifejackets/buoyancy aids do you have available at your club?

## 11. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Steering

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39. How many of your coxes and scullers/coxless steers have undertaken a structured steering training session, which has been verified in oral or written form, to determine competence both on and off the water?

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40. Does your club row during night hours?

Yes

41. Does your club have rules in place on boating in dark/low/poor visibility situations?

Yes

## 12. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Swim and Capsize

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42. Does your club manage the risks BEFORE the outing if cold water immersion and hypothermia are assessed as potential issues by instructing participants of the actions to be taken in the event of a capsized (for all boat types)?

Yes

43. How does your club determine members' ability to swim?

	Practical	Sign Off	To Address
Juniors	X		
Beginners	X		
Seniors		X	
Masters		X	
Adaptive	X		

44. Does your club ensure swimming ability and capsized training is recorded for each member of the club?

Yes

45. Does your club require participants who are unable to demonstrate the minimum swimming standards to wear a life jacket or buoyancy aid, receive training in capsized procedure and reach a satisfactory level of competence in, for example, a single sculling boat?

Yes

## 13. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Adaptive Rowing

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46. Does your club provide Adaptive Rowing?

No

## 14. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Coastal Rowing

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47. Does your club provide Coastal Rowing?

No

## 15. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Non-Affiliated Competition

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48. Does your club hold Non Affiliated Events e.g. Pubs & Clubs, Private Matches, Ergo Races?

Yes

49. Does your club assess and manage the risks prior to, and during, the running of an activity or event?  
*(Please only tick "Yes" if you have uploaded an up-to-date copy of your Risk Assessment for competitions and your Competition Safety Plan to your Google Drive folder)*

Yes

## 16. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Indoor Rowing

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50. Does your club have indoor rowing machines?

Yes

51. Does your club ensure that the machines are safely located and regularly serviced and maintained in good working order as recommended by the manufacturer?

To Address

## 17. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Juniors

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52. Does your club have Juniors?

Yes

53. Does your club record ALL the information from Juniors as listed in the "RowSafe" guide before allowing any activity to start?

Yes

## 18. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Launches and Launch Driving

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54. Does your club have a Coaching Launch, Safety Launch or Rescue Launch?

Yes

55. How many launches do you have under the following headings (please read the explanations below)?

Coaching : 0

Rescue : 4

56. Does your club require all launches to carry a plate stating the maximum weight it can safely support, together with this translated into the number of adults?

To Address

57. Does your club require launch drivers to hold, as a minimum, the RYA Level 2 powerboat certificate (appropriate to water conditions; inland; coastal and use:Safety boat) or equivalent certified training?

To Address

58. Does your club require launch drivers to understand and follow the rules of the water upon which they are operating and at all times, except in an emergency, adhere to the speed limits in place on that stretch of water?

Yes

59. Does your club require launches to carry the equipment as required by the "RowSafe" guide and require that launch drivers must check that the launch is carrying the appropriate emergency equipment before going afloat?

Yes

60. If launches are used for safety cover, does your club ensure they have two crew and are fit for purpose?

Yes

## 19. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Touring

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61. Does your club provide rowing tours?

No

## 20. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Training Camp

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62. Does your club go on training camp?

Yes

63. Does your club ensure the Training Camp Organising Committee addresses the topics raised by the "Row Safe" guide?

*(Please only tick "Yes" if you have uploaded an up-to-date copy of your Risk Assessment for training camps to your Google Drive folder)*

To Address

## 21. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Transport and Trailers

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64. Does your club transport boats either on trailers or car roofs?

Yes

65. Does your club brief and use the British Rowing and Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) guidance for the Transport of Oar Propelled Racing Boats?

Yes

66. Does your club ensure that adequate ties, (in good condition), are available?

Yes

67. Does your club require drivers to always carry a passenger to help with navigation, maneuvering, and any emergency which may arise, and to be aware of the dangers of high winds and icy road conditions and consult the weather forecast before setting off?

Yes

68. Does your club ensure that, if towing or using vehicles overseas, any local rules are adhered to (lights, spares, yellow vests, fire extinguishers , triangle, overhang, etc.)?

Yes

69. Does your club require drivers to take breaks for journeys of longer than 2 hrs duration or have a buddy driver accompany them on long journeys and ensure an effective communication system is set up with the club for the journey?

*Note: use of a mobile requires a hands free set.*

Yes

## 22. Rowing Safety Audit 2018/19 | Final Section

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70. Please use this form to submit any further comments...

A number of actions are 'to address'. The CWSA's report to the very recent AGM has been uploaded which includes the outline of an action plan to address these and other matters. A full report and action plan will be presented to the first Management Committee meeting in 2019.