

Mariners of Bewl  
Risk Assessment - Launching/Recovery of sailing craft

Risk assessment and risk management record		Number	003 MOB
Activity	Launching/recovery of sailing craft.	Location/purpose	Bewl Water
Identifying the hazards - assessing the risk	Risk rating	Control measures - reducing the risk	Outcome
Personal injury - lifting	High	Members advised to follow HSE Publication <i>Getting to Grips with Manual Handling - A short guide</i> <a href="http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg143.pdf">http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg143.pdf</a>	Low
Trailer separating from towing vehicle	High	Driver of towing vehicle checks trailer hitch is secure or tow rope is correctly connected and with wire safety harness in correct position on tow hitch.	Low
Tow ropes breaking and whiplashing	Medium	Nobody permitted to stand between boat and towing vehicle  Tow rope checked for wear and tear by driver of vehicle.	Low
Loss of control of boat and trailer/trolley on slope	Medium	Person in charge of launching to ensure that other helpers or members or users of the slipway are not standing between boat and the waters edge	Low
Entrapment of fingers/hand in winch	High	Users of winch to be trained in use of the equipment before use.  Hands never to be placed on winch strap	Low
Winch handle flying free	High	Handle to be gripped by launcher before releasing the the locking mechanism.	Low
Slippery surfaces - slipway	Medium	All members advised of any slippery surfaces. Members advised to remain in contact with dinghy if slipping (i.e. hold on)	Low
Drowning due to falling in water or from jetty	Medium	All members advised of uneven underwater surface. All members are required to wear a buoyancy aid correctly fitted before launching/recovery if it requires the member to enter the water or step on a jetty/pontoon.	Low
Craft slipping off dinghy trolley/trailer	Medium	Helms to check that dinghy is positioned correctly on trolley/trailer and secured to trolley with painter before moving the boat.	Low
<b>Completed:</b>			
	Date	Review date	
	<u>01/03/2020</u>	<u>March 2021</u>	
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