

YORK CANOE RACE 2026 - EVENT RISK ASSESSMENT

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

The race is held on the River Ouse starting at the Millennium Bridge. This section of the River Ouse is classed as Grade 1 (flat water) and is considered to be suitable for beginners and up. There are three courses comprising short 2.5Km, medium 5Km and long 7Km. There is a mass start for each course. The race format is a 'there and back' event with a mid-turn at a road bridge. Competitors paddle through the middle of York. There are a maximum of 87 craft (approx.. 120 participants). The Millennium Bridge provides the finish line for the race. Parking, registration, prize giving, and event facilities are all located on the field next to the Millennium Bridge.

EVENT ORGANISERS

The race is organised by York Canoe Race (YCR) Committee. YCR Committee is a sub committee of the Yorkshire and the Humber Regional Development Team of Paddle UK.

KEY TO THE FOLLOWING TABLES

The TOTAL SCORE is a multiple of:
LIKELIHOOD - the more likely it is that the hazard occurs the higher the score from 1 to 3
SEVERITY – the level of harm that will arise, the more harm the greater the score from 1 to 3
LIKELIHOOD x SEVERITY = TOTAL SCORE: 1 - 3 (Low); 4 - 6 (Medium); 7 - 9 (High)

APPROVAL

This risk assessment has been reviewed and approved by:

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Date:.....