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| <b>Title</b> | <b>Instruct or guide advanced sea kayaking activities in exposed and open water</b> |                |           |
| <b>Level</b> | <b>6</b>  | <b>Credits</b> | <b>15</b> |

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| <b>Purpose</b> | <p>This unit standard is intended for people who instruct or guide advanced sea kayaking activities in exposed and open water.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: prepare to instruct or guide intermediate or advanced sea kayaking activities in exposed and open water; manage a group on advanced sea kayaking trips in exposed and open water; critique and manage group safety for advanced sea kayak trips in exposed and open water; teach intermediate and advanced sea kayaking skills; and facilitate participant awareness of key industry organisations, a given location and industry accepted environmental practices for sea kayaking in New Zealand.</p> |
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| <b>Classification</b> | Outdoor Recreation > Canoeing - Kayaking |
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| <b>Available grade</b> | Achieved |
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### Guidance Information

- 1 All learning and assessment against this standard must be carried out in accordance with the following, as relevant:
  - relevant legislation including Health and Safety at Work Act 2015, Human Rights Act 1993, Vulnerable Children Act 2014 and Health and Safety at Work (Adventure Activities) Regulations 2016 and subsequent amendments;
  - relevant Activity Safety Guidelines published by Worksafe New Zealand; <https://www.supportadventure.co.nz/good-practice/activity-safety-guidelines-2/>;
  - industry Codes including the *Outdoor Safety Code*, *Kayaking/Canoeing Care Code*, *Water Care Code* and *Leave No Trace* principles available at <https://www.doc.govt.nz/>;
  - a recognised and approved safety management system including organisational policies and procedures including Emergency Action Plans (EAPs), Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), and the use of personal protective equipment (PPE);
  - relevant industry publications and current industry good practice.
- 2 **Definition**  
*Current industry good practice* means the range of actions currently accepted within the adventure and outdoor sector to manage the risk of harm to staff, participants, and visitors.

- 3 Further information regarding industry guidelines, key definitions and other relevant information can be found within the sea kayaking programme guidance document. This document should be consulted when developing learning or assessment against this unit standard. It can be found at [www.skillsactive.org.nz](http://www.skillsactive.org.nz).

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## Outcomes and performance criteria

### Outcome 1

Prepare to instruct or guide intermediate or advanced sea kayaking activities in exposed and open water.

#### Performance criteria

- 1.1 Perform pre-trip assessment of sea kayakers to ensure a match to planned route, outcomes and skills progressions.
- 1.2 Perform pre-trip checks of equipment, gear and set-ups, to ensure safety and suitability for planned trip and skills progressions.
- 1.3 Prepare and brief group participants for the planned sea kayak trip.
- Range safety briefing and trip overview.

### Outcome 2

Manage a group on advanced sea kayaking trips in exposed and open water.

#### Performance criteria

- 2.1 Apply a range of group management techniques to organise, inform and engage group and individuals.
- 2.2 Establish rapport and demonstrate a range of leadership styles appropriate to the group and the situation.
- 2.3 Manage and monitor participants' physical and emotional well-being throughout the sea kayaking trip in exposed and open water.
- Range may include – nutrition and hydration requirements.
- 2.4 Critique individual kayaker ability and modify advanced sea kayaking trip and progressions if appropriate.

### Outcome 3

Critique and manage group safety for advanced sea kayak trips in exposed and open water.

**Performance criteria**

- 3.1 Critique risk and hazard management procedures and systems for a given sea kayaking trip, location, or organisation.
- 3.2 Demonstrate knowledge to manage and control a remote emergency situation.
- Range includes – providing first response in case of an accident, incident and injury.
- 3.3 Apply risk and hazard management strategies during an advanced sea kayaking activity and adapt trip and/or session plan as required.
- 3.4 Monitor and respond to changes in the environment to ensure the safety of a sea kayaking group in exposed and open water.
- Range includes – use of communications devices, and observation of water conditions, clouds, temperature and wind direction.

**Outcome 4**

Teach intermediate and advanced sea kayaking skills on exposed and open water.

**Performance criteria**

- 4.1 Teach skill progressions in a logical sequence through the application of clear demonstrations, explanations, individual critiquing and fine-tuning, and site selection.
- 4.2 Apply a range of pedagogical practices to teach a range of intermediate and advanced sea kayaking skills on exposed and open water.
- 4.3 Teach sea kayaking rescue skills and techniques on exposed and open water.

**Outcome 5**

Facilitate participant awareness of key industry organisations, a given location and industry accepted environmental practices for sea kayaking in New Zealand.

**Performance criteria**

- 5.1 Educate participants about sea kayaking organisations, events and trips, access protocols and issues and responsibilities to other users.
- 5.2 Facilitate participants' understanding of environmental sustainability principles for sea kayaking in New Zealand.
- Range includes respect for the tikanga and kawa of local iwi and/or hapu and local land owners.

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| <b>Replacement information</b> | This unit standard replaced unit standard 19434. |
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**This unit standard is expiring. Assessment against the standard must take place by the last date for assessment set out below.**

**Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions**

| Process      | Version | Date         | Last Date for Assessment |
|--------------|---------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Registration | 1       | 25 July 2019 | 31 December 2026         |
| Review       | 2       | 25 July 2024 | 31 December 2026         |

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| <b>Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference</b> | 0099 |
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.