

Title	Instruct or guide advanced whitewater kayaking activities on Class 3 water		
Level	6	Credits	13

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is intended for people who instruct or guide advanced whitewater kayaking activities on Class 3 water.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: prepare to instruct or guide advanced whitewater kayaking activities on up to Class 3 water; manage groups on advanced whitewater kayaking trips on Class 3 water; critique and manage group safety for advanced whitewater kayak trips on Class 3 water; teach whitewater kayaking skills on Class 3 water; and facilitate participant awareness of key industry organisations, a given location and industry accepted environmental practices for whitewater kayaking in New Zealand.</p>
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Classification	Outdoor Recreation > Canoeing - Kayaking
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Available grade	Achieved
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Prerequisites	<p>Unit 31799, <i>Plan, prepare, guide or instruct and evaluate whitewater kayaking activities for Class 2 water</i>, or demonstrate equivalent skills and knowledge.</p> <p>Industry requires candidates to complete a River Rescue 2 or equivalent course on a Class 3 river prior to presenting for assessment.</p>
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Guidance Information

- 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 Definitions

Class 3 water has rapids with high, irregular waves and narrow passages. The ability to spin and manoeuvre craft is necessary.

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 whitewater 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.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Prepare to instruct or guide advanced whitewater kayaking activities on Class 3 water.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Perform pre-trip assessment of whitewater 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 whitewater kayak trip.
- Range safety briefing and trip overview.

Outcome 2

Manage groups on advanced whitewater kayaking trips on Class 3 water.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Apply a range of group management techniques to organise, motivate and engage group and individuals throughout advanced whitewater kayaking trips on Class 3 water.
- 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 advanced whitewater kayaking trips on Class 3 water.
- 2.4 Critique individual whitewater kayaker ability and modify trip and progressions if appropriate.

Outcome 3

Critique and manage group safety for advanced whitewater kayak trips on Class 3 water.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Critique risk and hazard management procedures and systems for a given whitewater kayaking trip, location, or organisation.
- 3.2 Manage and control a remote emergency situation.
- Range includes – the provision of first response in cases of an accident, incident and injury.
- 3.3 Apply risk and hazard management strategies during an advanced whitewater 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 whitewater kayaking group.
- Range includes – water conditions, clouds, temperature and wind direction.

Outcome 4

Teach advanced whitewater kayaking skills for Class 3 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 advanced whitewater kayaking skills.
- Range skills include – rolling, manoeuvring, paddling strokes, ferry gliding, edging and/or railing, eddy turns, surfing, river moves, hole riding, play boating, slalom.
- 4.3 Teach whitewater kayaking river rescue skills and techniques for up to, and including Class 3 water.

Outcome 5

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

Performance criteria

5.1 Educate participants about whitewater kayaking organisations, events and trips, access protocols and issues and responsibilities to other users.

5.2 Facilitate participants' understanding of environmental sustainability principles for whitewater 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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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	25 July 2019	N/A

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

Comments on this unit standard

Please contact Skills Active Aotearoa Limited info@skillsactive.org.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.