

# Assessment Checklist for Rafting (Traditional)



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## Introduction

This is an assessment checklist to use in assessing an Applicant to gain a permit to lead Traditional Rafting activities. More details on the permit scheme, assessing, technical skills and Rafting can be found in resources listed in [FS120084 Scout Led Activities Index](#).

## Using This Checklist

This checklist is the syllabus that an Applicant should be assessed against for the Technical section of gaining a permit. All skills must be assessed for the highest class of water a permit is recommended for.

Once an assessment is complete the Approved Assessor should fill in the back page and give it to the Applicant to take to their responsible Commissioner.

**Rafting (Traditional)**

Core Skill	Done / Comments
<b>Responsibilities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Choose objectives appropriate to the group.</li> <li>▪ Plan effectively in advance including selecting a suitable venue and contingency plans.</li> <li>▪ Knowledge of rules / regulations which govern the use of water.</li> </ul>	
<b>Group Management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Manage and communicate with a group effectively.</li> <li>▪ Ensure the group is adequately briefed before the activity, including lifting techniques, emergency procedures and the importance of discipline.</li> <li>▪ Knowledge of how environmental factors affect leadership styles (e.g. weather, water levels etc).</li> </ul>	
<b>Risk Assessment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Know how to complete a Risk Assessment.</li> <li>▪ Able to effectively identify the hazards and risks and know how to reduce or remove them, during Traditional Rafting activities.</li> </ul>	
<b>Weather</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Knowledge of where to gain weather information.</li> <li>▪ Knowledge of how weather conditions can affect Traditional Rafting activities (e.g. water levels, speed etc).</li> </ul>	
<b>Technical</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Knowledge of raft construction techniques.</li> <li>▪ Knowledge of how to safely load a raft.</li> <li>▪ Ability to launch and land a raft.</li> <li>▪ Understand and be able to teach use of the paddle and all relevant paddle strokes.</li> </ul>	
<b>Emergency Procedures</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Knowledge of relevant procedures in the event of an accident.</li> <li>▪ Have a practical knowledge of raft rescue techniques.</li> <li>▪ Have a practical knowledge of swimmer rescue techniques, including multiple swimmer rescues.</li> </ul>	
<b>Equipment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Knowledge of personal and group equipment required and how it is used.</li> <li>▪ Understanding of additional equipment required by the leader.</li> </ul>	

## Rafting (Traditional) Permit Assessment

The Applicant should keep this form once it has been completed by the Approved Assessor and take it to their responsible Commissioner.

<b>Applicant's Name</b>				<b>Permit Applied For</b>			
<b>1. TECHNICAL COMPETENCE</b>						<b>Done</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Description:</b> Technical assessment based on the holding of an appropriate NGB award, renewal of an existing permit with up to date experience, or a practical assessment of the Assessment Checklist.							
<b>To Be Completed By:</b> Either an appointed County Assessor or an External Assessor with the appropriate NGB award.							
<b>Restrictions based on Technical Assessment:</b>							
						<b>Date</b>	
<b>Assessor:</b>	<b>Signature</b>			<b>Name</b>			
	<b>County (if SA Assessor)</b>			<b>Phone</b>			
<b>2. SCOUT ASSOCIATION RULES</b>						<b>Done</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Description:</b> Check of the Applicant's knowledge of the appropriate Scout Association rules for running the activity. Appropriate Rules can be found in <a href="#">FS120084 Scout Led Activities Index</a> .							
<b>To Be Completed By:</b> Either an appointed County Assessor, responsible Commissioner or appropriate nominee of the responsible Commissioner.							
<b>Restrictions based on knowledge of The Scout Association Rules:</b>							
						<b>Date</b>	
<b>Signature</b>			<b>Name</b>			<b>Role</b>	
<b>3. CHILD PROTECTION</b>						<b>Done</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Description:</b> Check Applicant has undertaken the necessary Personal Enquiry checks and received the appropriate child protection training.							
<b>To Be Completed By:</b> Responsible Commissioner or appropriate nominee of the Commissioner.							
<b>Restrictions based on Child Protection:</b>							
						<b>Date</b>	
<b>Signature</b>			<b>Name</b>			<b>Role</b>	
<b>4. PERSONAL SUITABILITY</b>						<b>Done</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Description:</b> Check the Applicant is suitable (attitude etc) based on the demands of the activity.							
<b>To Be Completed By:</b> Responsible Commissioner or appropriate nominee of the Commissioner.							
<b>Restrictions based on Personal Suitability:</b>							
						<b>Date</b>	
<b>Signature</b>			<b>Name</b>			<b>Role</b>	
<b>5. PERMIT GRANTED</b>						<b>Done</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Restrictions:</b>							
						<b>Expiry Date</b>	
<b>Commissioner Signature</b>						<b>Date</b>	