

Water Skiing



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Introduction

This factsheet looks to give the facts a person would need to know to run Water Skiing for a group of young people. It should be read in conjunction with the factsheet FS120084 Scout Led Activities Index, and Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of The Scout Association.

What is Water Skiing?

Water Skiing involves being towed across the top of a stretch of water on skis or a board, normally behind a power boat, holding on to either a bar, or a handle connected to the boat by a rope. The various types of skis and boards included within Water Skiing include, single skis, double skis, wakeboards and kneeboards.

What is a Water Skiing Permit?

The adventurous activity permit scheme is designed to ensure that only people with the relevant skills and experience lead adventurous activities for the young people. Therefore all activities classed as adventurous can only be lead by someone holding the appropriate permit.

A Water Skiing permit is required for all Water Skiing taking place in any class of water.

Levels of Permit

Permits for Water Skiing can be issued for any class of water. Each class of permit can be further restricted (such as through specific locations etc) to end up with an individual permit to the level of the competence and requirements of any person.

Types of Permit

There is one type of permit available for Water Skiing. This is:

- **Leadership** – Allows the permit holder to lead Water Skiing for a single Water Ski boat.

Permit Limitations

- **Leadership** - If you have permit to lead Water Skiing then you can look after only one Water Ski boat at a time. You will need to remain with the boat whenever Water Skiing is taking place.

Useful Links

[FS120084](#) Scout Led Activities Index
(References relevant Rules and guidance)

[FS120086](#) Commercially Led Activities Index

[FS120100](#) Adventurous Activity Permit Scheme