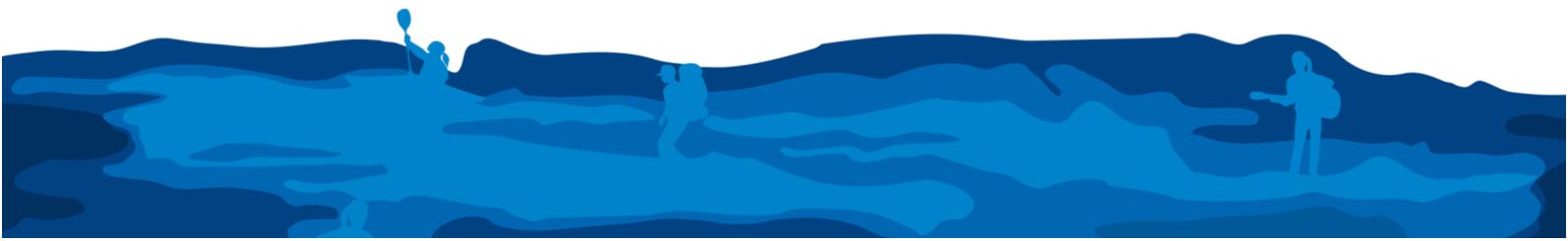


Scouts
VICTORIA

What Can I do?

A guide to running Adventures
Activities in Victoria



Introduction – Why this document?

The Scouts Victoria “What Can I do?” has been developed to give leaders a better understanding of the activities that can be delivered within the program with a Certificate of Proficiency (including Scouting Adventure), and when and what Adventurous Activity qualifications are necessary for delivering activities.

This document can not cover every different condition and control, so if in doubt it is recommended that you reach out to the relevant state Leader.

Situations that are known to have different controls are major events, training courses, and structured programs at adventure centers such as Bogong Rover Chalet and other Scout campsites.

Whom does the document apply to?

This document applies when delivering all adventurous activities within Scouts Victoria.

Need Help?

The Adventurous Activity teams are always ready to help you understand how to deliver more adventure into your program and should be your first point of contact. Additionally, and for more generic questions, the Adventurous Activities Leadership team can be reached at adventurousactivities@scoutsvictoria.com.au.

Regional modifications

It is understood that some regional areas may have geographical constraints that differ from metropolitan areas. For these situations, the relevant state leader will be able to assist in the program development to enable program delivery. Some examples of these modifications are:

A Scout Group whose local area includes areas above the snow line would work with the State Leader Alpine to create a standard plan for everyday application, as it would be expected that working within these conditions would be the normal for these Scouts.

A Scout Group whose local lake doesn't meet flat water conditions would work with the State Leader Paddling on creating an activity plan that included additional controls such as wind direction and speed, or extra safety devices such as a rescue boat.

OAS Verification

Whilst the purpose of this document is the running of Adventurous Activities, the question of verification of OAS levels is always raised, so in preferential order, following is a list of those that can verify achievement:

1. A Scout who is at least two stages above the level being approved (for example, if verifying someone at Stage 3 Camping, they must hold at least Stage 5 Camping) – this does not have to be someone in the same Unit or Section.
2. An Adult Leader (where the core skill areas are stages 1-5 or specialist skill areas are stages 1 – 4).
3. An Adventurous Activity Leader (For Stages 5 and above this should be an Adventurous Activity Guide within the stream).
4. A subject specialist from outside Scouting.

What is an adventurous activity leader?

An adventurous activity leader is an adult or youth member of Scouts Victoria whose role is to lead AA. This person will hold Scouts Victoria recognised AA skills and qualifications. This role is identical to the Activity Leader role in the NAAF and the AAAS. The AA Leader is responsible for:

- Planning the activity including developing an Activity Plan.
- Developing an Activity Risk Assessment.
- Obtaining review and approval for the activity.
- Obtaining parental informed consent for Youth participants.
- Briefing activity participants before starting the activity.
- Conducting the activity in accordance with Scouts Victoria Policies.
- Carrying out and documenting a review of the activity after its completion.

Notification

scOUT and ABOUT

Scouts Victoria has developed an Out and About notification process for Scouting activities that are being undertaken away from a Group's normal location.

Any activities away from your district need to be registered in scOUT and ABOUT, this includes activities at another Scouting location (eg: a campsite).

Activity Leaders running events are reminded that it is their responsibility to register their event (activity) in scOUT and ABOUT.

Supervision

Direct Supervision

The Adventurous Activity Leader can supervise, lead and instruct directly, and physically assist within minutes. Specific guidance is provided in the Discipline Procedures. Most Adventurous Activities will be supervised directly.

Indirect Supervision

The Adventurous Activity Leader is in the vicinity but is unable to intervene for up to one hour.

Remote Supervision

The Adventurous Activity Leader is not in the vicinity and is unable to intervene for between 1 and 12 hours.

First Aid Requirements

In addition to the NAAF we need to consider remoteness when working out the appropriate level of first aid training. The following approach is for determining the remoteness (distance and time from emergency response) of an activity. This will dictate the level of First Aid training, or other measures, that should be taken by the Adventurous Activity Leader. The time limits are guidelines only, and the Adventurous Activity Leader must consider risk.

- **Urban Area** – applies in parks and urban areas easily accessible by emergency services. Distance from roads with vehicular access should be no more than 15 to 30 minutes of walking time. At least one person on the activity should have Provide First Aid and be able to care for someone who is unconscious or choking, treat for shock, manage bleeding, and provide CPR.
- **Standard Area** – any situation where access to professional medical care is less than one hour from roads with vehicular access. The Adventurous Activity Leader must have a current Provide First Aid or have a member in the group who has Provide First Aid.
- **Remote Area** – any situation where access to professional medical care is greater than one hour from roads with vehicular access. At least one person must have the Wilderness First Aid Skill Set where access to professional medical care is greater than four hours.

A PLB (or similar) must be carried in remote situations where other forms of communication like mobile phone is not possible.

**Within Victoria the requirements of the Wilderness First Aid Skill Set within this document and specified within appendix 3 of the NAAF are currently only recommended and will come into effect as the 30/12/2023

Incident reporting

Emergency

In an emergency, you must contact Scouts Victoria via the Emergency Line as soon as possible on 03 8543 9877 for incidents meeting the following criteria:

- A person requires immediate medical treatment by a doctor, dentist or in a hospital.
- Major building or asset damage.
- Lost or overdue activity participants.
- An incident is reported to Emergency Services, such as Police, Fire, State Emergency Service or Ambulance.
- An incident is continuing to escalate beyond local resource capacity or urgent assistance by Scouts Victoria is required.

Child Safety

For Child Safety Reporting, call the Scouts Victoria Child Safe Hotline on 1800 870 772.

Standard Incidents

The incident report form is to be used by anyone to report any injury or incident relating to Scouting activities that affects any Scout member or member of the public. This includes near-miss incidents where the consequences could have been more significant.

<https://scoutsvictoria.com.au/age-sections-adults/leader-resources/safety/incident-report/>

Incident reports should be completed within 48 hours of the activity completing.

References

This document has been created to help Scout Leaders within Victoria deliver adventurous activities that meet the standards set out within the Australian Adventure Activity Standards and comply with the Scouts Australia National Adventurous Activities Framework (NAAF). These documents are a great resource when trying to understand the community expectations when delivering **Adventurous Activities**.

- National Adventurous Activities Framework (NAAF)
 - NAAF Document
 - NAAF Appendix 3
 - *Please note that NAAF Appendix 1 does not apply in Victoria
- The Australian Adventure Activity Standards
 - The Standard <https://australianaas.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Australian-Adventure-Activity-Standard-V1.0.pdf>
 - Core Good Practice Guides <https://australianaas.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Core-GPG-v1.0.pdf>
 - Activity Specific Good Practice Guides <https://australianaas.org.au/>

Want to become an Activity Guide?

We are always looking for more leaders that are passionate about delivering amazing adventures for youth members, if you are interested in becoming an Activity Guide. Please check out the resources at <https://scoutsvictoria.com.au/activities-events/adventurous-activities/>

Bushcraft			Direct Supervision			Indirect Supervision			Remote Supervision		
Activity Domain	Activity	Conditions	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required
 Bushcraft	Basic Bushcraft	Introductory Bushcraft Skills, no construction > 2 M in height, participants remain on the ground at all times, chariots excepted	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	Prohibited		
	Pioneering	Basic Pioneering, Climbable constructions up to 2m in height, participants may be in structure, chariots excepted	OAS Bushcraft Stage 3	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Bushcraft Stage 3	Trained Participant Pioneering	Group Leader	Prohibited		
		Intermediate Pioneering, Climbable constructions over 5M, participants may be in structure, belays if participants over 2M above ground	OAS Pioneering Stage 4	Trained Participant Pioneering	Group Leader	OAS Bushcraft Stage 5	Guide Pioneering	Group Leader	Prohibited		
		Complex Pioneering, natural constructed materials	OAS Pioneering Stage 6	Guide Pioneering	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushcraft	OAS Bushcraft Stage 7	Guide Pioneering	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushcraft	Prohibited		
	Survival	Basic Survival	OAS Bushcraft Stage 3	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Bushcraft Stage 3	Trained Participant Survival	Group Leader	Prohibited		
		Intermediate Survival	OAS Survival Stage 5	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Survival Stage 5	Guide Survival	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushcraft	Prohibited		
		Complex Survival	OAS Survival Stage 8	Guide Survival	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushcraft	OAS Survival Stage 8	Guide Survival	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushcraft	Prohibited		
	Archery	Campsite range	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure) & Induction by warden	Group Leader	Prohibited			Prohibited		
		Permanent range	None	Trained Participant Archery	Group Leader	Prohibited			Prohibited		
		Mobile range	None	Guide Archery	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushcraft	Prohibited			Prohibited		
	Hatchet	All	None	Guide Archery & Hatchet endorsement	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushcraft	Prohibited			Prohibited		

Bushwalking			Direct Supervision			Indirect Supervision			Remote Supervision		
Activity Domain	Activity	Conditions	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required
 Bushwalking		Local Urban Areas or ovals/parks in residential areas	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader
		Grade 1 and 2 bushland daytime (tracked environment) - no overnight camping	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Bushwalking Stage 2	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Bushwalking Stage 3	Trained Participant (Bushwalking Tracked Environments)	Group Leader
		Grade 1 night or Grade 2 or 3 tracks daytime (tracked environment) - with or without overnight camping	None	Safe Participant (Bushwalking Tracked Environments)	Group Leader	OAS Bushwalking Stage 4	Trained Participant (Bushwalking Tracked Environments)	Group Leader	OAS Bushwalking Stage 4	Guide (Bushwalking Tracked Environments)	Group Leader
		Grades 2 to 3 night or Grade 4 tracks daytime (difficult tracked environment) without overnight camping	None	Trained Participant (Bushwalking Tracked Environments)	Group Leader	OAS Bushwalking Stage 4	Trained Participant (Bushwalking Tracked Environments)	Group Leader	OAS Bushwalking Stage 4	Guide (Bushwalking Tracked Environments)	Group Leader
		Grade 4 tracks (difficult tracked environment)	None	Trained Participant (Bushwalking Difficult Tracked Environments)	Group Leader	OAS Bushwalking Stage 4	Trained Participant (Bushwalking Difficult Tracked Environments)	Group Leader	OAS Bushwalking Stage 5	Guide (Bushwalking Difficult Tracked Environments)	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushwalking
		Untracked within constrained area set by a Guide (Difficult Tracked) e.g. Rogaine, Training Course, Scout Hike	None	Trained Participant (Bushwalking Tracked Environments)	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushwalking	OAS Bushwalking Stage 3	Guide (Bushwalking Difficult Tracked Environments)	Group Leader	Not Applicable		
		Grade 5 (Extremely difficult tracked environment)	OAS Bushwalking Stage 4	Trained Participant (Bushwalking Extremely Difficult Tracked & Untracked Environments)	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushwalking	OAS Bushwalking Stage 4	Guide (Bushwalking Extremely Difficult Tracked & Untracked Environments)	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushwalking	OAS Bushwalking Stage 5	Guide (Bushwalking Extremely Difficult Tracked & Untracked Environments)	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushwalking
		Untracked environment	OAS Bushwalking Stage 4	Guide (Bushwalking Extremely Difficult Tracked & Untracked Environments)	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushwalking	OAS Bushwalking Stage 6	Guide (Bushwalking Extremely Difficult Tracked & Untracked Environments)	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushwalking	OAS Bushwalking Stage 6	Guide (Bushwalking Extremely Difficult Tracked & Untracked Environments)	State Leader (or Assistant) Bushwalking
	Any Grade bushwalk which requires entering flowing water with depth 50cm or greater	River crossings require holding the Cross rivers during bushwalks Unit of competency (or ATD equivalent) as the minimum qualification and Guide approval.									

Notes:

- Grading here refer to the Australian Walking Track Grading System (AWTGS) and not to classifications under AS2156.1-2001. Where a walk is rated under AS2156 as Class 1-5, this can be treated as the same Grade level. For Class 6, this can be treated as Grade 5.
- **Daytime** is defined as taking place entirely between hours of sunrise and sunset. **Night-time** is defined as any part of a hike taking place between hours of sunset and sunrise
- **Flowing water** is defined as water that is moving faster than walking pace.
- Basic Outdoor Skills (Completed Scout Section or above Basic training prior to 2020) is considered the same as Trained Participant for this document

Alpine			Direct Supervision			Indirect Supervision			Remote Supervision		
Activity Domain	Activity	Conditions	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required
	Downhill Skiing and Snowboarding	Within Resort Boundaries	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Alpine Stage 3	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	Prohibited		
	Cross Country Skiing	Within Resort Boundaries	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Alpine Stage 3	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	Prohibited		
		Day trips, Patrolled Areas	None	Trained Participant (Cross Country Skiing Patrolled)	Group Leader	OAS Cross Country Skiing 4	Guide (Cross Country Skiing Day)	Group Leader	Prohibited		
		Overnight trips or Unpatrolled areas	OAS Cross Country Skiing Stage 4	Guide (Cross Country Skiing Overnight)	State Leader (or Assistant) Alpine	OAS Cross Country Skiing Stage 6	Guide (Cross Country Skiing Overnight)	State Leader (or Assistant) Alpine	Prohibited		
		Snow Shoe	Within Resort Boundaries	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Alpine Stage 3	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	Prohibited	
		Day trips, Patrolled Areas	None	Trained Participant (Snow Shoeing Day Tour)	Group Leader	OAS Alpine Stage 3	Trained Participant (Snow Shoeing Day Tour)	Group Leader	Prohibited		
		Day trips, Unpatrolled Areas	OAS Alpine Stage 3	Guide (Snow Shoeing Day Tour)	State Leader (or Assistant) Alpine	OAS Snow Shoeing 4	Guide (Snow Shoeing Day Tour)	State Leader (or Assistant) Alpine	Prohibited		
		Overnight trips	OAS Snow Shoeing 4	Guide (Snow Shoeing Overnight)	State Leader (or Assistant) Alpine	OAS Snow Shoeing 4	Guide (Snow Shoeing Overnight)	State Leader (or Assistant) Alpine	Prohibited		

Notes:

- Alpine disciplines contain an additional level of risk. Approvers may require additional qualifications for leaders depending on the activity (e.g. navigation in Extremely Difficult Untracked Terrain).

Cycling			Direct Supervision			Indirect Supervision			Remote Supervision		
Activity Domain	Activity	Conditions	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required
 Cycling	On Road	Cycle Paths, wide low gradient well graded fire trails, suburban, very easy (white) tracks or rail trails	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Cycling Stage 3	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Cycle Touring Stage 4	Guide (Cycling On Road)	State Leader (or Assistant) Cycling
		On Road with Light to Moderate Traffic and Easy Terrain, within 30 minutes of support	None	Trained Participant (Cycling On Road)	Group Leader	OAS Cycle Touring Stage 4	Guide (Cycling On Road)	State Leader (or Assistant) Cycling	OAS Cycle Touring Stage 4	Guide (Cycling On Road)	State Leader (or Assistant) Cycling
		On Road with Moderate Traffic and Moderate Terrain	OAS Cycle Touring Stage 4	Guide (Cycling On Road)	Group Leader	OAS Cycle Touring Stage 5	Guide (Cycling On Road Intermediate)	State Leader (or Assistant) Cycling	OAS Cycle Touring Stage 5	Guide Cycling (On Road Intermediate)	State Leader (or Assistant) Cycling
		On Road, Moderate to Heavy Traffic, Moderate to Difficult Terrain	OAS Cycle Touring Stage 6	Guide Cycling (On Road Intermediate)	State Leader (or Assistant) Cycling	Prohibited			Prohibited		
	Off Road	Off Road, Easy Trails, Roads and Tracks with Minimal to no traffic, BMX tracks, within 30 minutes of support (Green)	None	Trained Participant (Cycling Off Road - Easy Trails)	Group Leader	OAS Mountain Biking Stage 4	Guide (Cycling Off Road - Easy Trails)	State Leader (or Assistant) Cycling	OAS Mountain Biking Stage 4	Guide (Cycling Off Road - Easy Trails)	State Leader (or Assistant) Cycling
		Off Road, Intermediate Trails, BMX tracks, Roads and Tracks (Blue)	OAS Mountain Biking Stage 4	Guide (Cycling Off Road - Easy Trails)	Group Leader	OAS Mountain Biking Stage 5	Guide (Cycling Off Road - intermediate)	State Leader (or Assistant) Cycling	OAS Mountain Biking Stage 5	Guide (Cycling Off Road - intermediate)	State Leader (or Assistant) Cycling
		Off Road, Difficult Trails, Roads and Tracks (Black)	OAS Mountain Biking Stage 6	Guide (Cycling Off Road - intermediate)	State Leader (or Assistant) Cycling	Prohibited			Prohibited		

Notes:

- Supported overnight camping (ride to a location with an established camp or cached equipment) may be conducted within this approval matrix.
- Unsupported overnight camping (carry own gear) requires additional State Leader (or Assistant) Cycling approval.
- When lights are required the Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification becomes “Trained Participant”

Vertical			Direct Supervision			Indirect Supervision			Remote Supervision		
Activity Domain	Activity	Conditions	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required
 Vertical	Climbing Gym, indoor rock center, trampoline Center	Activity run and supervised by 3 rd party at their Venue	None	Certificate of Proficiency	Group Leader	OAS Vertical Stage 3	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	Any OAS Vertical Stage 4	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader
	Abseiling	Artificial	None	Guide Abseiling - Single Pitch Artificial Surfaces	State Leader (or Assistant) Vertical	Prohibited			Prohibited		
		Natural (Single Pitch)	None	Guide Abseiling - Single Pitch Natural Surfaces	State Leader (or Assistant) Vertical	Prohibited			Prohibited		
		Natural (Multi Pitch)	OAS Abseiling Stage 6	Guide Abseiling - Multi Pitch Natural Surfaces	State Leader (or Assistant) Vertical	Prohibited			Prohibited		
	Canyoning (Horizontal & Vertical)	Horizontal Canyoning (no ropes or climbs)	None	Guide Canyoning - Easy to Intermediate	State Leader (or Assistant) Vertical	Prohibited			Prohibited		
		Easy to Intermediate (Vertical)	OAS Abseiling Stage 4	Guide Canyoning - Easy to Intermediate	State Leader (or Assistant) Vertical	Prohibited			Prohibited		
		Intermediate to Advanced (Vertical)	OAS Canyoning Stage 6	Guide Canyoning - Intermediate to Advanced	Adventurous Activity Commissioner	Prohibited			Prohibited		
	Cave Tour	Caves that offer guided tours. (Tourist Caves)	None	Certificate of Proficiency	Group Leader	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader
	Caving (Horizontal & Vertical)	Easy (Horizontal - no ropes or climbs)	None	Guide Caving	State Leader (or Assistant) Vertical	Prohibited			Prohibited		
		Vertical Caving	OAS Abseiling Stage 6	Guide Caving	State Leader (or Assistant) Vertical	Prohibited			Prohibited		
	Climbing (Top Rope)	Top Rope (Artificial)	None	Guide Top Rope Climbing - Artificial Surfaces	State Leader (or Assistant) Vertical	Prohibited			Prohibited		
		Top Rope (Natural)	None	Guide Top Rope Climbing - Natural Surfaces	State Leader (or Assistant) Vertical	Prohibited			Prohibited		
	Climbing (Lead)	Lead Climbing Single Pitch	OAS Climbing Stage 7	Guide Climbing Lead - Single Pitch	State Leader (or Assistant) Vertical	Prohibited			Prohibited		
		Lead Climbing Multi Pitch	OAS Climbing Stage 8	Guide Climbing Lead - Multi Pitch	State Leader (or Assistant) Vertical	Prohibited			Prohibited		

Notes:

- Multi-pitch (Abseil, Canyon, Cave) - progress is made by using more than one pitch and where belay systems must be established mid-route. It includes where insufficient space between the landing of one pitch and the take-off of the next requires the establishment of a belay for the safety of participants.
- This matrix represents the lead climbing qualifications for traditional climbing (i.e. placing protection). Sport Lead Climbing can proceed with a lower participant qualification (Climbing Stage 5).

Aquatics			Direct Supervision			Indirect Supervision			Remote Supervision		
Activity Domain	Activity	Conditions	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required
 Aquatics	Swimming	Patrolled Beach or Swimming Pool with lifeguard	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Aquatics Stage 3	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Aquatics Stage 3	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader
		Unpatrolled environments (flat water)	None	Trained Participant Aquatics	Group Leader	OAS Lifesaving Stage 4	Trained Participant Aquatics	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Prohibited		
		Unpatrolled environments (surf)	None	Trained Participant Aquatics	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	OAS Lifesaving Stage 4	Trained Participant Aquatics	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Prohibited		
	Snorkelling	Patrolled Beach, Swimming Pool with lifeguard	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Snorkelling Stage 4	Guide Snorkelling	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Prohibited		
		Unpatrolled environments (flat water)	None	Trained Participant (Snorkelling)	Group Leader	OAS Snorkelling Stage 4	Guide Snorkelling	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Prohibited		
		Unpatrolled environments (open, current, waves)	None	Trained Participant (Snorkelling)	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Prohibited			Prohibited		
	Surfing	Small waves, basic manoeuvres	None	Trained Participant (Surfing)	Group Leader	OAS Surfing Stage 4	Guide (Surfing)	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Prohibited		
		Larger waves, intermediate manoeuvres	None	Trained Participant (Surfing - Intermediate)	Group Leader	OAS Surfing Stage 4	Guide (Surfing - Intermediate)	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Prohibited		
	Scuba Diving (SDI Qualified)	Learn to Dive	Minimum suggested age 12	SDI Open Water Instructor	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Prohibited			Prohibited		
		Open Water - No Overhead environment - No Staged Decompression (Max 18m)	Open Water Dive Card	Guide (Scuba Diving)	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Open Water Dive Card	Guide (Scuba Diving)	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Prohibited		
		Open Water - No Overhead environment - No Staged Decompression (Max 30m / 21m for Junior)	Advanced Open Water Dive Card	Guide (Scuba Diving)	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Advanced Open Water Dive Card	Guide (Scuba Diving)	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Prohibited		
		Open Water - No Overhead environment - No Staged Decompression (Max 40m)	Deep Diver Specialty and minimum age 15	Guide (Scuba Diving)	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Deep Diver Specialty and minimum age 15	Guide (Scuba Diving)	State Leader (or Assistant) Aquatics	Prohibited		

Notes:

- For activities in unpatrolled areas - where Joeys, Cubs or Scouts are present, there must be TWO qualified leaders, both always equipped with a lifeline on guard.
- Trained Participant Aquatics – Any TP(Trained Participant) within the Water Activities section of the NAAF Appendix 3 or someone that has completed the TP core and “Perform basic water rescues - SISCAQU002” or equivalent.

Boating			Direct Supervision			Indirect Supervision			Remote Supervision		
Activity Domain	Activity	Conditions	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required
 Boating	Windsurfing	Smooth Water & Light Wind Conditions	OAS Boating Stage 3	Guide (Windsurfing)	Group Leader	OAS Windsurfing Stage 6	Guide (Windsurfing)	State Leader (or Assistant) Boating	Prohibited		
		Conditions Greater Than - Smooth Water & Light Wind Conditions	OAS Windsurfing Stage 4	Guide (Windsurfing)	State Leader (or Assistant) Boating	OAS Windsurfing Stage 6	Guide (Windsurfing)	State Leader (or Assistant) Boating	Prohibited		
	Small Boat Sailing	Smooth Water & Light to Moderate Wind Conditions	OAS Boating Stage 3	Trained Participant (Sailing Light to Moderate Wind conditions)	Group Leader	OAS Sailing Stage 4	Guide (Sailing Light to Moderate Wind conditions)	State Leader (or Assistant) Boating	Prohibited		
		Partially Smooth Water & Moderate To Fresh Wind Conditions	OAS Sailing Stage 5	Guide (Sailing Moderate to Fresh Wind conditions)	State Leader (or Assistant) Boating	OAS Sailing Stage 6	Guide (Sailing Moderate to Fresh Wind conditions)	State Leader (or Assistant) Boating	Prohibited		
		Open Coastal Water & Moderate Wind Conditions	OAS Sailing Stage 7	Guide (Sailing Open Coastal)	Adventurous Activity Commissioner	Prohibited			Prohibited		
	Power Boat Operations	Enclosed Water (day)	Safe Participant (Power Boating)	Trained Participant (Power Boating)	Group Leader	Safe Participant (Power Boating)	Trained Participant (Power Boating)	Group Leader	Prohibited		
		Enclosed Water (night)	Trained Participant (Power Boating)	Guide (Power Boating)	Group Leader	Trained Participant (Power Boating)	Guide (Power Boating)	State Leader (or Assistant) Boating	Prohibited		
		Open Water <2nm from shore (day)	Trained Participant (Power Boating)	Guide (Power Boating)	State Leader (or Assistant) Boating	Trained Participant (Power Boating)	Guide (Power Boating)	State Leader (or Assistant) Boating	Prohibited		
	Personal Water Craft Operations	Enclosed Water (day)	Safe Participant (Personal Water Craft)	Trained Participant (Personal Water Craft)	Group Leader	Safe Participant (Personal Water Craft)	Trained Participant (Personal Water Craft)	Group Leader	Prohibited		
		Open Water <2nm from shore (day)	Trained Participant (Personal Water Craft)	Guide (Personal Water Craft)	State Leader (or Assistant) Boating	Trained Participant (Personal Water Craft)	Guide (Personal Water Craft)	State Leader (or Assistant) Boating	Prohibited		

Paddling			Direct Supervision			Indirect Supervision			Remote Supervision		
Activity Domain	Activity	Conditions	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required
 Paddling	Canoe	Confined Body of inland water areas such as small lakes, dams	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Paddling Stage 3	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Canoe 4	Guide (Canoeing Flat Water)	Group Leader
		Flatwater Rivers in less than 15km/hr wind conditions, where the current is less than one knot,	OAS Canoe 4	Trained Participant (Canoeing Flat Water)	Group Leader	OAS Canoe 4	Trained Participant (Canoeing Flat Water)	Group Leader	OAS Canoeing Stage 5	Guide (Canoeing Flat Water)	State Leader (or Assistant) Paddling
			None	Guide (Canoeing Flat Water)	State Leader (or Assistant) Paddling	Refer above			Refer above		
		Grade 1 Rivers, and/or on large open bodies of water such as lakes or dams.	OAS Canoe 4	Guide (Canoeing Moving Water)	Group Leader	OAS Canoe 4	Guide (Canoeing Moving Water)	Group Leader	OAS Canoeing Stage 6	Canoeing Moving Water)	Adventurous Activity Commissioner
		White water, up to Grade 2 Rivers	OAS Canoeing Stage 5	Guide (Canoeing White Water Grade 2)	State Leader (or Assistant) Paddling	OAS Canoeing Stage 7	Guide (Canoeing White Water Grade 2)	Adventurous Activity Commissioner	Prohibited		
		White water, Grade 3	OAS Canoeing Stage 7	Guide (Kayak White Water Grade 3)	Adventurous Activity Commissioner	Prohibited			Prohibited		
	Kayak (inland)	Confined Body of inland water areas such as small lakes, dams	None	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Paddling Stage 3	Certificate of Proficiency (Including Scouting Adventure)	Group Leader	OAS Kayak 4	Guide (Kayaking Flat Water)	Group Leader
		Flatwater Rivers in less than 15km/hr wind conditions, where the current is less than one knot,	OAS Kayak 4	Trained Participant (Kayaking Flat Water)	Group Leader	OAS Kayak 4	Trained Participant (Kayaking Flat Water)	Group Leader	OAS Kayaking Stage 5	Guide (Kayaking Flat Water)	State Leader (or Assistant) Paddling
			None	Guide (Kayaking Flat Water)	State Leader (or Assistant) Paddling	Refer above			Refer above		
		Grade 1 Rivers, and/or on large open bodies of water such as lakes or dams.	OAS Kayak 4	Guide (Kayaking Moving Water)	Group Leader	OAS Kayak 4	Guide (Kayaking Moving Water)	Group Leader	OAS Kayaking Stage 6	Kayaking Moving Water)	Adventurous Activity Commissioner
		White water, up to Grade 2 Rivers	OAS Kayaking Stage 5	Guide (Kayaking White Water Grade 2)	State Leader (or Assistant) Paddling	OAS Kayaking Stage 7	Guide (Kayaking White Water Grade 2)	Adventurous Activity Commissioner	Prohibited		
		White water, Grade 3	OAS Kayaking Stage 7	Guide (Kayak White Water Grade 3)	Adventurous Activity Commissioner	Prohibited			Prohibited		

Notes:

- When using sit-in kayaks or canoes with decks/skirts the minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification becomes Guide

			Direct Supervision			Indirect Supervision			Remote Supervision		
Activity Domain	Activity	Conditions	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required
Paddling		Enclosed Waters	OAS Paddling Stage 4	Trained Participant (Sea Kayaking - Enclosed Waters)	State Leader (or Assistant) Paddling	OAS Sea Kayaking Stage 5	Guide (Sea Kayaking - Enclosed Waters)	State Leader (or Assistant) Paddling	Prohibited		
		Sheltered Coastal Waters	OAS Sea Kayaking Stage 5	Guide (Sea Kayaking Sheltered Water)	State Leader (or Assistant) Paddling	OAS Sea Kayaking Stage 7	Guide (Sea Kayaking Exposed Coastal Water)	Adventurous Activity Commissioner	Prohibited		
		Exposed Coastal Waters	OAS Sea Kayaking Stage 7	Guide (Sea Kayaking Exposed Coastal Water)	Adventurous Activity Commissioner	Prohibited			Prohibited		

Notes:

- When Sea kayaks are being used in inland rivers the Kayaking (inland) table should be used

			Direct Supervision			Indirect Supervision			Remote Supervision		
Activity Domain	Activity	Conditions	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required	Minimum Participant Qualification	Minimum Adventurous Activity Leader Qualification	Approval Required
	Four Wheel Driving	Single Vehicle activity support only	Current Motor Vehicle Drivers Licence	Trained Participant (Four Wheel Driving)	Group Leader	Prohibited			Prohibited		
		Single Vehicle Single Day 4WD tour or specific activity	Trained Participant (Four Wheel Driving)	Guide (Four Wheel Driving)	Group Leader	Prohibited			Prohibited		
		Multiple Day 4WD Activity of Any Type	Trained Participant (Four Wheel Driving)	Guide (Four Wheel Driving)	State Leader (or Assistant) Four Wheel Driving	Prohibited			Prohibited		
		4WD in regional or remote areas or where advanced recovery is "Likely" or "Almost Certain"	Trained Participant (Four Wheel Driving)	Four Wheel Driving Guide - Ratio of 3 x 4WD TP to 1 Guide or Assistant Guide	State Leader (or Assistant) Four Wheel Driving	Prohibited			Prohibited		

