

## Information Sheet FIRST AID

The first aid and emergency equipment you need depends on a number of factors, such as: -

- Location e.g. club house, urban or remote location
- Nature of the potential hazards you face e.g. white water, low temperatures, risk of capsize etc
- The number of people it is for e.g. number in a group, at an event or membership of a club
- The nature of facilities and hazards e.g. kitchen, repair workshop etc
- Access to ambulance or rescue services. Know your location and how to give that location to the emergency services. Understand what the approximate travel times might be.

N.B. your location may be a significant distance from medical care or ambulance support. Clubs, events and first aiders may/should consider how they will address the possibility of being without external help for an extended period of time 30mins plus.

Consider: using other people around you in the process, additional equipment, recording vital signs and condition etc.

## **First Aid Kit Contents**

Although there is no specification for what must be included in a First Aid kit, for a club or an event we would recommend that you consider holding the following: -

- Waterproof Dressing Strip
- Micro porous tape, 1.25cm x 10m single
- Koolpak<sup>®</sup>/SJA instant ice pack
- Sterile cleansing wipes 10 pack
- Low-adherent absorbent dressing pad 5 x 5cm
- Low-adherent absorbent dressing pad 7.5 x 7.5cm
- Scissors
- Nitrile powder-free gloves pair x 10
- Eye wash bottle 250ml
- Hand sanitizer- 60ml
- Face Shield x 3
- Burnshield<sup>®</sup> burn blott sachet 3.5g single x 4
- No.16 eye pad first aid dressing sterile x 2
- Medium first aid dressing, 12 x 12cm sterile x 2
- HSE SJA Branded 18cm x 18cm sterile
- Washproof plasters, assorted sizes pack of 10 x 2
- First aid in an emergency booklet
- Exposure bag or thermal blanket