

Adbolton Lane
Holme Pierrepont
Nottinghamshire
NG12 2LU
Tel: 0115 982 1212
Fax: 0115 945 5213



Nottinghamshire
County Council

National Water Sports Centre

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

22nd November 2011

Dear Coach or Paddler,

On 1st December 2011 the National Water Sports Centre will be installing some new signage to the banks of the White Water Course to improve public safety. The signs are designed to increase awareness to the general public but also have some implications for any coaches or paddlers using the site.

The signs include the following:

- Danger Deep Water
- Stay away from waters edge
- Buoyancy aids must be worn beyond this point
- Supervise children at all times
- Keep dogs on lead
- In an emergency contact centre staff via emergency phone and use life rings to aid rescue

The signs will be placed in the raised kerb adjacent to the public footpath.

As of 1st December paddlers or coaches will be able to move the position of a slalom gate by standing on the raised kerb adjacent to the footpath. This means they can adjust a gate without stepping beyond the signage so do not need to wear a Buoyancy Aid.

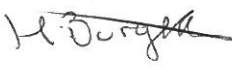
Any work that requires anyone to stand on the inner footpath or sloping banks such as adding or removing poles or re-tensioning lines will now require a Buoyancy Aid to be worn as you will be working beyond the signage.

Any coaches wishing to stand on the inner footpath, sloping banks or to walk onto any of the concrete 'groins' to communicate with a paddler must also wear a Buoyancy Aid.

As already mentioned on existing signage, anyone carrying a throwline must wear both a B.A. and helmet.

As a paddler or coach, your support in ensuring that all users and spectators follow the instructions on these signs is important and will be appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

P.P.


Paul Shepherd
White Water Course Supervisor
National Water Sports Centre
Nottinghamshire County Council
0115 982 4716
paul.shepherd@nottsc.gov.uk