

## River leader

### *LEEDS CANOE CLUB*

This role can be taken on members that either hold a Club remit that covers leading on the grade of river concerned, or holds a British Canoeing 4\* or 5\* award appropriate for the river being paddled



Responsible for deciding which river(s) to paddle (or not paddle), given the prevailing conditions. Guide books, weather forecasts and river level indicators should be considered



Responsible for deciding appropriate leader/paddler ratio for the trip they are leading, taking into account experience of participants, choice of river and prevailing conditions



Responsible for deciding whether the participants can or cannot paddle, given the prevailing conditions and individual's ability level, and any other consideration that is appropriate



Responsible for the safety of their group whilst on the water



Hold an up to date first aid qualification and ensure a first aid kit is available within their group on the river



Ensure appropriate safety and rescue kit is carried within the group for the river and conditions, including carrying a mobile phone



Ensure all individuals in their group have appropriate kit for the trip



Check that individuals have asthma inhalers or other medication they might require during the trip



Adher to the Club's [accident and incident policy](#)



River leaders have the right to refuse people to paddle should they deem it necessary