



## **Drug and Alcohol Policy**

*For the purposes of this document, the term 'Club' is deemed to be Gloucester Canoe Club.*

The Club is fully committed to providing a healthy drug free environment for members, parents, coaches, volunteers and visitors involved with the Club. All trips, activities, training sessions and competitions arranged or supported by the Club will be drug free. Drug free means a zero tolerance approach to the possession, use, or influence of non-prescribed illegal drugs for all members, parents, coaches, volunteers and visitors within the vicinity of the Club or at locations where the Club has organised activities.

Any member, coach or volunteer found to be under the influence of, or in the possession of, illegal substances will be dismissed from the Club immediately and banned from attending any future Club activities.

Parents or visitors found to be under the influence of, or in the possession of, illegal substances will be banned from attending any future Club activities.

The Club acknowledges that alcohol consumption is not compatible with safe Paddlesport activity and requires members, coaches and volunteers to be alcohol free while undertaking activities during training sessions, racing, river and sea tours and surfing.

Members, parents, coaches, volunteers and visitors found to be under the influence of alcohol during a Club activity will be asked to leave the activity.

Members, coaches and volunteers found to be intoxicated occasioning reckless behaviour during Club activities will be dismissed from the Club.

Parents and visitors found to be intoxicated occasioning reckless behaviour at Club activities will be banned from attending future Club activities.

Club members should refer to the Club website at [www.gloucestercanoeclub.co.uk](http://www.gloucestercanoeclub.co.uk) for details of the Clubs Procedures, Code of Conduct and the Club Constitution.

The Club hereby declares that this policy is adopted by the members and committee of the Club and will implement this policy into the Club environment.

Ian Kershaw; Club Chairman 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018