

Brighton Wakeboard Club Safety Quiz

Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: ___/___/___

Address: _____

Landline tel: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Who to contact in emergency Full name: _____

Tel: _____ Address: _____

Please ask if you are unsure - this quiz is designed for the safety of you and the others on the boat so everyone can enjoy themselves with minimal risk. Please write your initials in the box beside your response for each of the following.

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| 1) Can wearing a helmet protect riders from head injury while wakeboarding? | Initials |
| No. We are only riding on water – what could possibly go wrong? | |
| Yes. Not only could you sustain a head injury from the wakeboard or handle but also from an unseen piece of debris floating in the sea. I understand that should I choose not to wear a helmet any injury that occurs as a result is my responsibility and I will not hold Brighton Wakeboard Club responsible. | |
| 2) How can the rider communicate with the while being towed? | Initials |
| Shout as loud as you can and just hope someone can understand what you are trying to say. | |
| Use the designated hand signals. If something urgent needs to be communicated I should stop and speak to the driver. | |
| 3) Is it okay to stand up while the boat is moving? | Initials |
| Yes. I've got lots of experience of boats and I know how to handle myself on them. | |
| No. The sea can be unpredictable and can cause the boat to rock and make jerky movements. I should stay seated at all times while on the boat until I am given instructions to get ready and take my set. | |
| 4) Can the towing line or handle be dangerous to passengers in the boat? | Initials |
| No. The handle will be with the person who is riding so there is no need to think about it. | |
| Yes. Although a non-stretch towing line is used there is always a risk that tension on the line could cause the handle to ping back into the boat so passengers should be aware of this. I also need to be aware of the rope and it's position in the boat while a rider is being towed. | |
| 5) What level is your swimming ability? | Initials |
| I can't swim at all! I understand that this means I should not attempt to wakeboard on the sea and it is my responsibility to ask BWC for a life jacket to wear while on the boat. | |
| I can swim but am not a strong swimmer. I understand that it is always important to wear a buoyancy aid when wakeboarding. | |
| I am a strong swimmer. I understand that it is always important to wear a buoyancy aid when wakeboarding. | |
| 6) Is it possible to injure yourself from the impact of hitting the water? | Initials |
| No. Water is soft and gives way when you hit it, even at high speeds. | |
| Yes! Serious injuries can occur from the impact of hitting the water. I should always wear an impact vest/jacket to minimise the impact and reduce the likelihood of injury. | |
| 7) Is there any need for wearing neoprene shorts or wetsuit? | Initials |
| No – when do you see the pros wearing them? It looks way cooler without them! | |
| Yes. In addition to keeping you warm, neoprene shorts or a wetsuit provides important protection against an unexpected enema or worse. If I choose not to wear one I take full | |

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| responsibility for any injuries I sustain. | |
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| 8) If there is an emergency on the boat what should you do? | Initials |
| Keep out of the way and not get involved. | |
| Wait for instructions from the boat driver and follow these. My help may be needed to resolve the situation as quickly and safely as possible. | |

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| 9) Smoking – can you? | Initials |
| Sure – I can't go for longer than half an hour without a cigarette. | |
| No. A dropped or carelessly held cigarette could cause damage to the boat or upholstery. It could also cause a fire which is an even greater risk as the fire brigade don't come out to sea and the boat has a big tank of petrol! | |

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| 10) No alcohol or drugs | Initials |
| So I've had a couple of bebies – what's the big deal? | |
| Alcohol, drugs and wakeboarding do not mix. I should not even attempt to participate if I am under the influence of either drugs or alcohol. | |

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| 11) Equipment, boat & upholstery | Initials |
| Users should check their equipment or equipment provided to them by Brighton Wakeboard Club to ensure that it is seaworthy. Any defects must be reported to Brighton Wakeboard Club immediately and replacement equipment found before going out on the water. | |
| I need to be careful when handling equipment. I should make sure that neither the edges of the board nor the fins touch the upholstery as it can cause damage. If any damage happens as a result of my carelessness or ignoring the advice I have been given by Brighton Wakeboard Club I understand that I will be liable for all damage caused to Brighton Wakeboard Club's equipment and all costs incurred. | |

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| 12) Cleaning the boat after use | Initials |
| Brighton Wakeboard Club is run voluntarily and does not make a profit. It is important for everyone that uses the boat to help keep it the way we all like to use it. I am happy to volunteer to help clean it after each set. | |

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| 13) Are you or is there any possibility that you could be pregnant? | Initials |
| No – I'm a bloke. Don't be so stupid! | |
| No – I understand that if there is even a chance that I might be pregnant I should not participate in wakeboarding. | |

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| 14) Please tell us of any medical conditions we might need to know about i.e. asthma, epilepsy etc. please give details here: | |
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I understand that wakeboarding by nature is a dangerous sport. Participation involves inherent risk of injury or death. Advice about how to wakeboard and improve is given on a non-professional basis and it is the responsibility of each individual to decide if they wish to follow that advice. I understand that Brighton Wakeboard Club accepts no responsibility for injury or damage sustained by any person or to a person's property during club activities or whilst on club premises. I wakeboard at my own risk and in the event of an accident do not hold responsible and no claim can be put on Brighton Wakeboard Club or the person driving the boat or the observer. I accept full responsibility for my own safety and for any loss or damage to any equipment which I may have borrowed from Brighton Wakeboard Club and agree to indemnify and hold harmless Brighton Wakeboard Club from and against all liabilities, losses, damages, costs, charges and expenses in relation thereto.

I have insurance cover, covering any third party whilst I am participating in wakeboarding or water borne activities at Brighton Wakeboard Club.

Signature _____ Date: ____/____/____