# KINGSTON Head of the River SATURDAY 14th March 2020

### **ACCIDENT PLAN A**

In the event of an accident involving competitors or officials occurring on the river:

1. On-course rescue measures and landing of casualties:

Patrolling the different sections of the course will be 5 safety boats manned with trained first aid crews and equipped with relevant first aid equipment. Stationed on the Middlesex Bank downstream of Ravens Ait will be a St John's ambulance, which will be able to move, if required, to any part of the river between the start and Kingston Bridge in order to receive and look after injured competitors. There are on the Middlesex Bank numerous points of access via steps, many with adjacent mooring stages, to which safety boats can tie up and transfer the person concerned. There is also an SJA first aid crew at the KRC boathouse. In the event that emergency evacuation is required, the following are the access points to which the emergency vehicle may be directed (numbered as indicated on the course map): -

- 1. THE HIRE BOAT MOORINGS 100m DOWNSTREAM HAMPTON COURT BRIDGE
- 2. THE SLIPWAY ALONGSIDE THAMES DITTON SEA SCOUTS HQ
- 3. WESTFIELD LANDING SURBITON, THE CAR PARK OPPOSITE RAVEN'S AIT
- 4. THE PUBLIC SLIPWAY AT LOWER HAM ROAD KINGSTON

(BARGE WALK, NEAR HAMPTON COURT PALACE GATE) ( DITTON REACH KT7 0XB, OFF PORTSMOUTH ROAD ) ( PORTSMOUTH ROAD KT6 4HL, JCTION GROVE ROAD ) ( ADJACENT CANBURY GARDENS KT2 5AU, KINGSTON).

### The nearest KHOR official should

immediately take appropriate action to ensure the task of rescue and/or providing first aid is commenced at the soonest possible moment and the prevention of further accidents.

## This action will include:

- alerting the KHOR's Safety and First Aid organisation;
- commencing the task of rescue and then ensuring provision of whatever assistance may be requested by the person assuming command of the rescue; and
- co-ordinating other officials to assist with marshalling competitors and casualties to a place of safety.
- 3. The leader of the first KHOR rescue team to reach the incident should: assume command of the rescue upon arrival

### This action will include:

- making an immediate assessment of the situation and deciding if more assistance is required;
- reporting that assessment to the KHOR's Safety and Fist Aid organisation including a description of any response that may be required;
- co-ordinating and directing that response;
- deciding, in consultation with the Safety Adviser, if any casualty/ies should be removed to the designated Casualty Landing Place or to any other place;
- indicating if the public emergency services should be called.