



LIFESAVING SOCIETY

The Lifeguarding Experts

**Safety Plan for Brock University
Canadian Lifeguard Emergency Response Championships
May 13 & 14, 2017**

Purpose

The purpose of this plan is to maximize safety at Lifesaving Society Championships held at the following Brock University pool, and facilities: Walker Complex and Eleanor Misener Aquatic Centre.

General procedures are in the Brock University Aquatic Standards and Guidelines/Policy and Procedure Manuals, in conjunction with the legislation and regulations pertaining to pool operations. This plan will address items specific to the Canadian Lifeguard Emergency Response Championships held at these facilities.

Code of Conduct

Everyone has the responsibility of acting in a safe manner. This includes volunteers, officials, guests, competitors, coaches, meet management etc. However, it is the responsibility of the management team to ensure that this plan is enforced. Anyone not adhering to the safety procedures as prescribed in this plan may be disqualified or removed from the property. Unsafe actions and behaviours will not be tolerated.

Safety Plan

General Safety

Smoking is not permitted inside any competition building. There are designated smoking areas on Campus.

It is the responsibility of each individual to ensure that personal belongings are kept in a safe place. Valuables are the safest when kept at home.

If set up requires specialized equipment i.e. ladders, computers etc. designated specially trained crew will be responsible for its safe installation.

Safety Officer/Chain of Command

Safety Officer for the competition is Nathan Murray and the Central Equipment Room supervisor on duty.

The Safety Officer is required to report and document any incidents that occur on behalf of the Lifesaving Society. Health and Safety Representatives are also provided by the hosts for all venues that take place in the Brock University Walker Complex buildings.

The Management Team consists of the

Meet Manager	Carmen Wong
Chief Referee	Sarah Ingleton
Safety Officer	Nathan Murray and the Central Equipment Room supervisor on duty
Host Representative	Margie Lizzotti
Lifesaving Society Representative	Rebecca Boyd

Pool areas will be supervised by qualified and trained lifeguards. For venues that areas not involve the pool, trained health and safety designates will be identified.

In case of an emergency the following is the order in which communications should occur:

1. Site Health and Safety Representative/Event Director
2. Safety Officer
3. Meet Manager/Chief Referee
4. Host Representative
5. Other

In Addition: In a pool environment, the Brock University lifeguard staff are to take control of any situation and follow the protocol designed in the Standards and Guidelines.

Brock University will always promote the best possible care to causality wherever possible.

Operational Procedures

Operational procedures are defined by the host. This standard of care is required to meet the minimum health regulations and guidelines supported by the Lifesaving Society. In a situation where the host does not have operational standards, the Lifesaving Society will consider adopting operational procedures that meets the industry standard for that location/venue.

General safety

Ministry Regulations as well as facility specific rules must be followed to ensure safety.

Lifeguards are to be supplied by host for all pool venues.

Lifeguards are to ensure the safety of those in the facility at large.

The lifeguards are to be made aware of any mock situations that may occur before the start of the event.

The lifeguard staff are to interact with public and enforce house rules are required.

Non-swimmers should not be in the water without a strong swimmer or unless they are able to touch the bottom.

Non-swimmers that are involved in the competition should identify themselves to the sectional referees.

Diving is prohibited in the shallow water. Check specific facility for details.

In Non Aquatic Environments:

In all Walker Complex buildings, incidents should be reported to the building staff immediately.

Trained Health and Safety Representative will be on call in non-aquatic environments i.e. lock-up, Venues not in the pool area.

Personal Safety/Cross Contamination

Individuals are responsible for ensuring the complete information of any medical conditions, medications and /or allergies are communicated to a responsible person that will be looking out for their interest i.e. Coach.

The Championship Management Team or Brock University will not be responsible for the monitoring of individuals.

Use of Personal Protective Equipment used by competitors should be disinfected between uses. Any manikin or prop used during the competition that could be contaminated with bodily fluids should be disinfected appropriated. Any equipment that has been contaminated with bodily fluids that can be disposed should be done appropriately.

Footwear should be worn in non-pool areas.

Safety Equipment

Stocked First Aid kits are required at all venues. First Aid kits are in a designated area and clearly identified.

Emergency phones are required at all venues. Emergency phones are in designated areas and clearly identified.

Officials are required to wear a whistle during the competition as a form of communication to alert any incidents may occur.

AED units for this competition will be available at Brock University facilities.

AED Option – Pubic Access Defibrillators

AED units are kept in a designated location at each facility. Brock University keeps AED units in areas that the public may have access to (i.e. mounted on a wall in the pool hallway). Brock University encourages all patrons who have AED training to respond immediately and use the AED machine to assist any individual in Cardiac Arrest. Patrons do not have to wait for a staff person to arrive before activating the AED machine.

If specialized equipment is available at facilities, only the trained designate is to use equipment. This may include equipment such as oxygen, BVM's etc. If an increased level of care is volunteered by outside party (i.e. doctor) and accepted by the liable care givers, that person must assume complete responsibility of the patient until Paramedics arrive and assume control.

Emergency Procedures

If an emergency occurs, it should be identified to the nearest host safety rep/official. Officials, then need to communicate and ensure the trained host staff are able to resume treatment. The host trained health and safety reps are to command and take control of the situation at the earliest possible moment. All emergency procedures are set by the facility and should be adhered too.

Medical Emergency, Fire Loss of Power, Pool Fouling, Mechanical Failure etc.

Refer to the Emergency Procedures attached. More detailed information can be found in the Pool Operations Manual.

Communication

Radios (or other device) will be provided by the Lifesaving Society to link the Key Officials.

The Safety Officer will have a dedicated line out at all times.

Officials will all carry whistles on their person.

Phone lines at host locations may not have direct line access out. Health and Safety Reps will direct and orientate Key Officials at satellite locations.

Contingency Plans

All contingency plans are decided by the Championship Management Team. The management team has the right to postpone, reschedule or cancel an event or competition if the venue is deemed unsafe.

Facilities

Competition Pools / Facilities: List all locations being used for said competition.

- Name: Brock University
 Street Address: 1812 Sir Isaac Brock Way
 City: St. Catharines
 Province: Ontario L2S 3A1
 Phone: 905-688-5550

Attached is a diagram of the competition pool.

In Case of Emergency

For Emergencies 9-911
 Non-Emergency Police

Additional Items that may need to be attached to this plan

- Diagram of competition pools
- Copy of Host Club / Affiliate Emergency procedures on Medical Emergency, Fire, Loss of Power, Pool Fouling, Mechanical Failure, etc.

In Case of Emergency

Service	Emergency	Non-Emergency
Brock University Campus Security Services – http://brocku.ca/campus-security	Dial “3200” from any campus phone	Dial “4300” from any university phone
	Yellow Assistance Phones	905-688-5550 x4300
Niagara Regional Police	911	905-688-4111
Other Services		
Ontario Poison Control	1-800-268-9017	
Walk In Clinics	Glenridges Walk In 209 Glenridge Ave St Catharines, L2T 3J6 289-362-5333 Mon – Fri 9am – 8pm Sat & Sun 9am – 3pm	Pelham Walk In 245 Pelham Rd St Catharines, L2S 1X8 905-988-1933 Mon – Thurs 8am – 8pm Fri 9am – 6pm Sat & Sun 9am – 3pm
St Catharines General Hospital	1200 Fourth Ave St Catharines, L2S 0A9 905-378-4647 www.niagarahealth.on.ca/site/st-catharines-site	