



Inland Water Safety Management 'Boat and Bankside Operations'

A British Marine course

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1-Day Water Safety Management Course for anyone working within 3-metres of the water's edge including boat crews, bankside teams, and support staff.

Ensure Safety. Prevent Incidents. Respond Effectively.



Course Overview

This modular one-day training course is designed for personnel from the inland, non-tidal water sectors, commercial and leisure, operating outside the remit of the 'DEFRA Flood Rescue Concept of Operations' remit, and the 'CDM Regulations' guidance, whose role takes them within 3-metres of the water's edge, or, potentially aboard or around a small vessel (<24m), and who may be faced with dealing with accidental immersion of their colleagues, clients, third parties or themselves.

Who Should Attend?

Any member of staff or volunteer with a waterside role, who will operate within 3-metres of the water's edge or around a vessel and allow them to operate safely near water and to be able to carry out co-worker rescue with a grounded knowledge of the hazards and risks of the environment along with the skills to deal with matters arising.

Benefits of Attending

- Gain essential water safety knowledge tailored to individuals working in, on, or around water, including those operating aboard or around small vessels.
- Learn practical rescue skills to respond to water-related emergencies.
- Improve confidence in managing safety risks in a waterside environment.
- Enhance compliance with health & safety obligations for staff working near water.
- Develop skills to assist vulnerable individuals and manage emergencies.

Is It Right for Me?

The suite of modular IWSM courses is ideal for people working waterside and aboard craft; safety, and emergency response.

Those solely 'bankside' based can request a specific course covering those wider area water margins.

The 'Boat & Bank' course also covers navigable waterway bank-side working as well as boat oriented content.

Personnel who may benefit from training include:

- Volunteer/trip/hotel/passenger/workboat crews
- Waterside Establishment – any business with a waterfrontage.
- Inland (non-tidal) Water Boatyard Managers & Dockmasters
- Inland Water Boatyard / Marina (non-tidal) & Establishment Operations, Maintenance and Security Staff
- Workboat crews
- Anyone operating with 3-metres of water, outside of the CDM regulations / DEFRA Concept of Operations
- Customer service personnel working near water
- Maintenance and operations teams, grounds teams, rangers, wardens, lengthsman
- Any staff responsible for emergency preparedness and response

What Will I Learn?

- Understanding Water Safety Risks – Identifying hazards in marine environments.
- Incident Prevention Strategies – Reducing risks through effective management and staff training.
- Emergency Response & Rescue Techniques – Hands-on skills for rescuing individuals from the water
- Decision-Making Under Pressure – How to act decisively and effectively in real-life water emergencies.
- Legal Responsibilities & Best Practices – Ensuring compliance with safety regulations.

Course Presenters

This course is delivered by experienced water safety professionals from Birmingham and Midland Marine Services Ltd, industry leaders in water safety

consultancy and training. Instructors bring real-world expertise from time, emergency response, and risk management sectors, ensuring actionable learning for all participants.

Course Prices and Venues

Please contact us for costs:

office@midlandmarine.co.uk

The full 'Boat & Bank' course takes place at Gailey Wharf Operations & Training Centre, or can be delivered nationally for groups of 10-12 candidates. It can be delivered at the client's location if appropriate, subject to minimum numbers and associated travel and accommodation costs.

The 'Bank' version of the IWSMC which may be a better fit with companies and organisations not working in a 'boating' environment is also available; for more information see our [Downloads Archive](#)

Bookings

Please contact Vicki Crossley via email: training@britishmarine.co.uk





To book or request dates and technical information

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