



# VIRISTAR

## Risk Management for Outdoor Programs

### Course Syllabus

#### Live Session 1 (45 minutes)

##### Getting Started

Welcome, Introductions, Orientation to Curriculum, Logistics

#### Textbook Readings

#### Independent Work 1 (approx. 10 hours)

##### General Concepts

Introductory Concepts in Risk Management

Chapter 1

Approaches to Risk Management: Risk Domains

Chapter 2

Approaches to Risk Management: Instruments, Plans

Approaches to Risk Management: Risk Assessments, Safety Thinking

Standards

Chapter 3

Laws

Chapter 4

##### Risk Domains

Risk Domains: Introduction

Safety Culture

Chapter 5

Safety Culture Survey

#### Live Session 2 (90 minutes)

Structured Q&A

Participant Presentations: Self-Evaluation of Risk Management: Standards & Laws

#### Independent Work 2 (approx. 10 hours)

Human Factors in Incident Causation

Chap. Section 7.6

Case Study: Ski Trip

Provider Selection

Chapter 10

Scenarios

#### Live Session 3 (90 minutes)

Structured Q&A

Participant Presentations: Self-Evaluation of Risk Management in RM Domains

#### Independent Work 3 (approx. 10 hours)

##### Risk Management Instruments

Risk Management Instruments: Introduction

Incident Reporting

Chapter 15

Systems Thinking

Chapter 23

Case Study: Mangatepopo Gorge Incident	
Incident Management	Chapter 14
Emergency Response Scenario	
Media Relations	Chapter 20
Case Study: Media Relations	
Documentation	Chapter 21

#### Live Session 4 (90 minutes)

Participant Presentations: Self-Evaluation of Risk Management with RM Instruments  
 Risk Decisions Role Play  
 Electives

#### Independent Work 4 (approx. 10 hours)

##### Synthesis

Risk Management Plan: Introduction  
 Risk Management Plan Outline  
 Strategic Improvement Plan

Optional readings:  
 Remaining chapters  
 (6, 7.1-7.5, 8-9,  
 11-13, 16-19)

##### Final Exam

#### Live Session 5 (90 minutes)

Structured Q&A  
 Risk Management Review activity  
 Participant Presentation: Strategic Improvement Plan for Your Organization  
 Closure

Actual course schedule may vary  
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