

MANAGE RISK IN RECREATION WORKSHOP SERIES

for Northern, Rural and Remote Communities

The Risk Management workshops, delivered in-person or on-line, are available through the Recreation and Parks Association of the Yukon and Recreation North's Community Recreation Leadership Program. Yukon Government Sport and Recreation Branch funded the development of these workshops through the Yukon Active Living Strategy. These workshops were prepared by Caroline Sparks under the expert guidance of Dr. Ian McGregor.



RM101 – Manage Risk in Rural and Remote Recreation

Each day you experience risk—walking to school, driving a snowmobile—and you learn to manage these as part of your daily life. However, knowing how to manage risk where you work or volunteer can feel overwhelming. This learning event helps staff and volunteers understand risk and learn how to reduce it in recreation and sport settings. You will become familiar with basic risk management concepts and tools and how to use these to minimize the chances of something bad happening to a participant, a leader or a facility.

Upon completion of this learning event, you will be able to:

- Understand why risk needs to be managed.
- Develop basic skills to manage risk.
- Learn how to measure, reduce and manage risk.



RM102 – Use Documentation in Rural and Remote Recreation

An important piece of risk management is the paper trail. This learning event introduces basic paperwork for community recreation and sport settings. You will learn the “what” and “why” behind paperwork related to participation (registration forms, informed consent, etc.) and to operations (facility checklists, user agreements, etc.). You will modify some of these forms to use in your role as a recreation leader.

Upon completion of this learning event, you will be able to:

- Understand that documentation helps manage risk.
- Become familiar with basic documentation used for program participants as well as operations and services.



RM103 – Understand Legal Risk in Recreation

There are two types of risk: inherent and legal. This session introduces and explains concepts of legal risk such as negligence and liability. You will be reminded of ways to reduce risk in five key areas. Strategies for transferring risk, such as waivers and insurance, will be explored.

Upon completion of this learning event, you will be able to:

- Recognize ‘legal risk’ in community recreation settings.
- Understand the concepts of negligence and liability.
- Explain strategies that reduce or transfer risk.