Negligence and Risk Management

Refer to ACA Instructor Manual Unit 5, Gilbert Law Summary "Torts", ACA Canoe and Kayak Instruction Manual P102

General Principles

1 Duty of Care

-- Act as a reasonable and prudent person under similar circumstances

2 Foreseeable Risks

- -- consider all of the risks, hazards and dangers
- -- plan to avoid these dangers
- -- manage these risks when they appear

3 Participant Understands Risk,

-- accepts it, and voluntarily chooses to participate

Elements of Risk Management

- 1 Adequate Supervision
- 2 Sound Planning and Maintaining Competencies
- 3 Warn and Inform of Inherent Risks
- 4 Provide Safe Environment
- 5 Correct Evaluation of abilities, injuries, incapacitating conditions -- including matching or equating students fairly and evenly
- 6 Providing Proper First Aid and Emergency Procedures
- 7 Maintain Records of Planning and Implementation