

Preface

Participants, Instructors and Assessors should take note of the conditions as laid down in the Award Handbook. This programme is for guidance and is not to be taken as a rigid syllabus. To indicate the content appropriate to young people with varying degrees of knowledge and experience it is arranged under three different headings '**For beginners**', '**For those with some knowledge**', and '**For the more advanced**' and participants are free to select as broad or as restricted an aspect of this skill as they wish.

WORKSHOP CRAFT

CANOE BUILDING

Introduction

This activity should include as much practical work as possible and may be undertaken either as a group or on an individual basis. **At any level adequate instruction in the safe use of tools and equipment must be given.** An introduction to canoeing and experience of handling canoes in general should be included, together with a knowledge of the historical development of Canoe Building and the use of canoes as a form of transport in other parts of the world.

For assessment

Evidence of individual progress, sustained interest and a commitment of genuine leisure time should be shown over the required period. This should take the form of finished articles or certificates of attendance at a course. Group activities are to be assessed with regard to each individual's contribution to planning, execution and completion.

For beginners

Participants starting this activity should:

- 1 Be familiar with the common tools and materials used in the making of a canoe.
- 2 Know the names and functions of all parts of a canoe.
- 3 Be able to undertake general maintenance.
- 4 Be able to undertake minor repairs.
- 5 Be familiar with canoe accessories.
- 6 Have assisted in the building of a canoe.
- 7 Present a notebook with evidence of their knowledge of the above. This book should contain descriptions of tools and an account of the process by which the canoe was made - it could be in diary form, and initialled at regular intervals by the person responsible for the building of the canoe.

Skill Section

For those with some knowledge

Participants should:

- 8 Be able to sharpen and maintain essential tools and be able to select suitable materials for use.
- 9 Be familiar with more than one type of canoe construction.
- 10 Have played a major part in the building of a canoe, under supervision and with assistance where necessary.
- 11 Present a log book of work done, hours taken on each part of the job, etc. This should also include notes on no.9 above and sketches and brief notes on the historical development of canoe building.

For the more advanced

Participants should:

- 12 Fully maintain a kit of tools. Select and prepare all materials.
- 13 Be familiar with all common types of canoe construction, soft and hard skinned, rigid and folding, glass fibre and moulded ply, etc.
- 14 Using plans, build a canoe without guidance, and instruct a junior assistant.
- 15 Present a detailed log-book with working hours, coat of materials and comments (and notes on no.13 above).