

ECO-RAFTING

Wilderness Trip Emergency Proceedings Flow Chart

Green

Trip delayed, possibly wrapped or holed raft, no outside assistance required. Trip will make it out before sunset.

-Trip leader to call base manager on satellite phone 30 minutes before overdue time and advice of situation and new overdue time

-Base Manager to stand-by for off-river confirmation call

Orange

Trip delayed, camping overnight, no outside assistance required

-Trip leader to call base manager 30 minutes before overdue time and advice of situation, new overdue time, campsite grid reference, and contact details for clients' travelling companions if applicable

-Base manager to document campsite grid reference, new overdue time, contact clients' travelling companions when applicable

-Base manager to stand-by for off-river confirmation call

Red

Evacuation needed non life threatening situation or injury.

-Trip leader to call helicopter pilot, give grid reference for landing site, number of people to evacuate.

A) Evacuation of client(s) with continuation of trip

-Trip leader to call helicopter pilot, give grid reference for landing zone, boat numbers and colours, number of people to be evacuated,

-Depending on situation/severity of injury, client(s) must be flown to take out or flown directly to Greymouth hospital. **(Police may be called for rescue chopper if T.L decides this is necessary)**

B) Evacuation of entire trip

-Trip leader to call helicopter pilot, give grid reference for landing zone, boat numbers and colours, number of people to be evacuated. All persons to be flown directly to take-out vehicle.

Black

Immediate evacuation needed. Life threatening injury/medical condition

-Trip leader to call police and give company name, grid reference for landing zone, boat numbers and colours, advise of situation, severity and type of injury, grid reference for landing site, number of people to evacuate, reason for evacuation. T.L to call base manager and advise of situation.

OVERDUE TRIP

***If there's no contact between base manager and trip by the overdue time, base manager is to phone 111 and ask for Hokitika Search and Rescue, inform of situation, company name, boat numbers and colours, number of people on trip, and river name along with put-in and take-out grid reference**