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## Safety Memo

### High Visibility Tops

As the evenings are getting longer there is an additional hazard of not identifying a boat in adequate time. The river Suir is a busy navigable waterway and while you may be able to see other vessels in the water, they might not be able to see you. In fact, it is quite difficult to see a low, fast-moving target on the water.

To offset this hazard Waterford Boat Club requires High Visibility tops on all junior members when training on the water.

As we approach the colder winter rowing season, it is advisable to wear several layers of clothing where practicable. However, these High-Vis tops are required to be the outermost layer of clothing. High-Vis Beanie hats are recommended and High-Vis bibs are also acceptable.

Waterford Boat Club recommends Orange High-Vis tops as they are most effective but Yellow is also fine. You can purchase club High-Vis tops on the club-specific websites on both of the recommended clothes suppliers.

**Excel Sports:** <https://club-shop.ie/product/waterford-bc-high-vis-unisex-or-womens-tee/>  
You also have the option of putting your initials on the sleeve for €3.50 extra (which helps reduce our lost and found bin) and are available within 2 weeks.

**RivalKit:** <https://rivalkit-eu.myshopify.com/collections/waterford-boat-club> (there is a €12.50 delivery charge in addition to the price)

**Decathlon** also sells generic High-Vis bibs on their website.

Please refer to the June and July 2024 Safety bulletins for more information on attire when rowing.

Regards

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