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SECTION I
THE SURVEY

NATIONAL BSA AQUATICS SURVEY 2010

PREFACE

In the summer of 2010 the BSA National Aquatics Task Force, of the National Outdoor Program Group, conducted a survey of all councils. The survey was sent out via email attachment in late June and returned in early July.

The primary purposes of the survey include:

- To determine the extent to which each council was able to make use of a Council Aquatics Committee on a year-round basis.*
- To determine the extent to which each council was able to implement the recommended aquatic programs of the BSA.*
- To identify “Best Practices” in the area of aquatic program.*
- To identify problem areas and get feedback from the local councils.*
- To identify a local council “Wish List” to help guide the Task Force in the next few years.*
- To establish a dialog between the local council and the National Task Force.*

NOTES REGARDING THE SURVEY AND THIS REPORT:

- 97 survey respondents from 95 councils (Percentages of survey items are based on actual respondents for each item -- not necessarily 97, since some chose to leave some items blank)*
- Totals for some items may exceed 100% due to responses falling into more than one category*

SECTION II
SURVEY
RESPONDENTS

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SURVEY RESPONDENTS

- Surveys were sent to 299 councils – to the Aquatics Committee contact and/or the Scout Exec of that council
- There were 97 respondents from 95 councils.
- Regional breakdown
 - Northeast Region 19 of 66 Councils (29%)
 - Southern Region 25 of 94 Councils (27%)
 - Central Region 30 of 81 Councils (37%)
 - Western Region 21 of 58 Councils (36%)



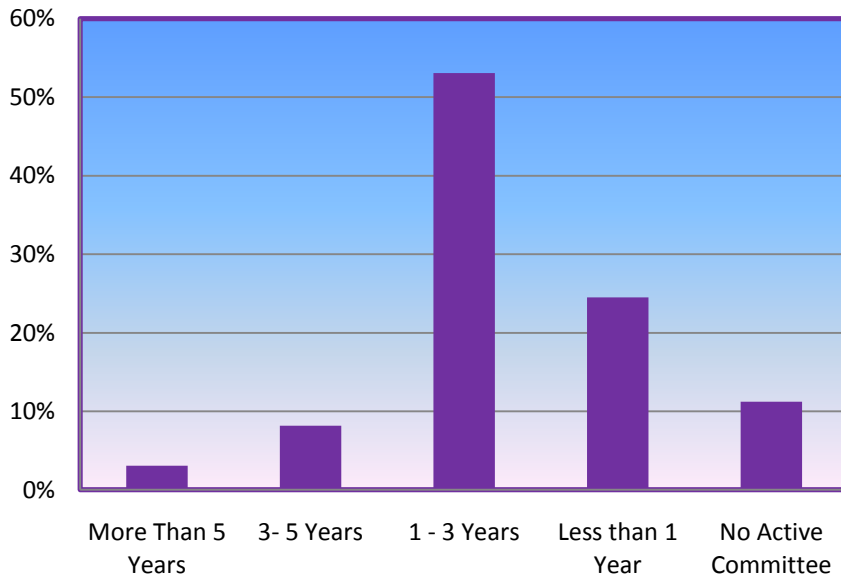
Geographic breakdown of respondents -- 39 states plus Europe.

SECTION III
SURVEY DATA

*AQUATICS
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Duration of Aquatics Committee

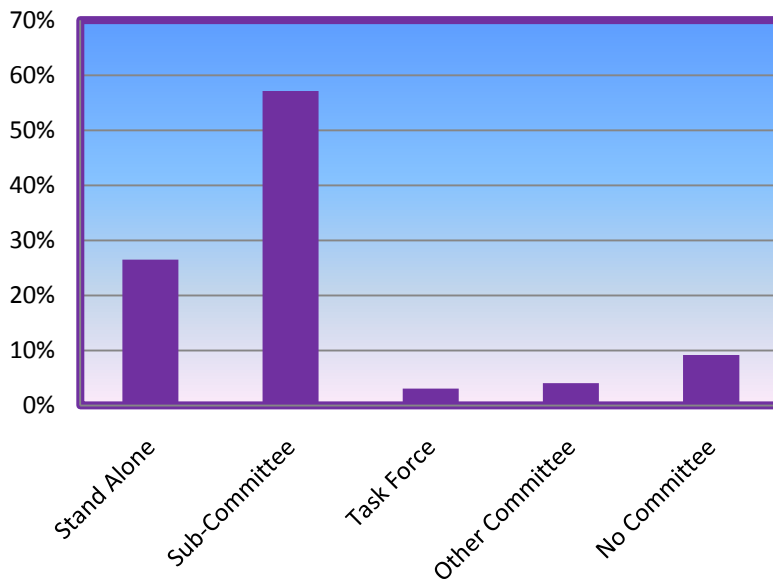


Survey Question:

How long has your council had an Aquatics Committee?

DURATION OF COMMITTEE		
RESPONSE	TOTAL	%
More Than 5 Years	3	3%
3- 5 Years	8	8%
1 - 3 Years	52	53%
Less than 1 Year	24	24%
No Active Committee	11	11%

Structure of Aquatics Committee



Survey Question:

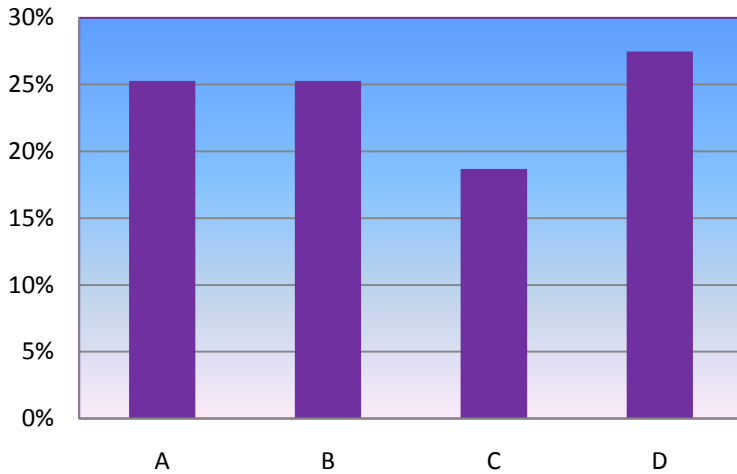
Describe how your Aquatics Committee is structured:

- A Stand-Alone Committee
- A sub-committee of another council committee
- A task force
- Another committee fulfills role of Aquatics Committee
- No Active Committee

STRUCTURE OF COMMITTEE		
RESPONSE	TOTAL	%
Stand Alone	26	27%
Sub-Committee	56	57%
Task Force	3	3%
Other Committee	4	4%
No Committee	9	9%

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Activities and Participation of Aquatics Committee



Survey Question:

What best describes your Aquatics committee's activities and participation?

A. Committee is fully functioning, monitoring and supporting the council's aquatics activities on a year-round basis.

B. Committee meets regularly to discuss program and policy situations as they arise.

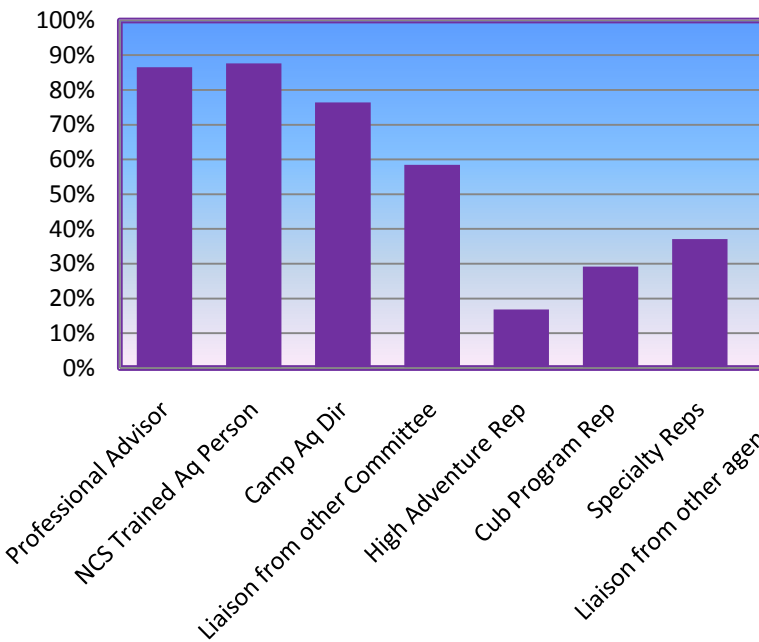
C. Committee meets regularly mainly to fulfill the requirements of National Standards

D. Committee meets annually to satisfy National Standards.

ACTIVITIES AND PARTICIPATION OF COMMIT

RESPONSE	TOTAL	PERCENT
A	23	25%
B	23	25%
C	17	19%
D	25	27%

Composition of Aquatics Committee



Survey Question:

Which of the following are represented on your council's Aquatics Committee?

- Professional Advisor (87%)
- National Camping School-Trained Aquatics Person (88%)
- Summer Camp Aquatics Director (76%)
- Liaison from Other Council Committee(s) (58%)
- High Adventure Representative (17%)
- Cub Program Representative (29%)
- Representative from Specialty Areas (kayaking, sailing, SCUBA, etc) (37%)
- Liaison from Other Agencies (Red

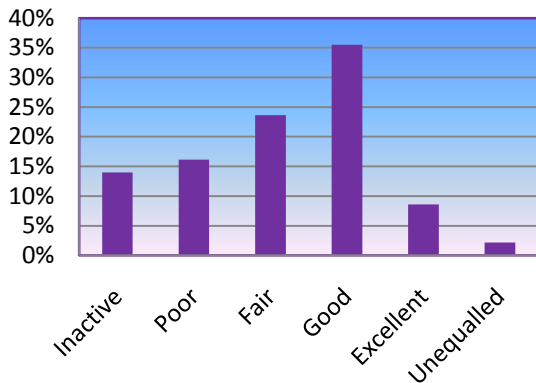
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ASSESSMENT OF THE COUNCIL AQUATIC COMMITTEE'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Using a scale of 5 – 0 (5=unequalled, 4=excellent, 3=good, 2=fair, 1=poor, 0=inactive) rate your Council's Aquatics Committee on its fulfillment of the following five recommended responsibilities.

- Training** -- Work with the Council Training Committee to provide aquatics training for adults and youth.
- Program** -- Provide and promote a broad array of basic and high-adventure swimming and boating activities
- Advancement** -- Provide advancement opportunities for youth.
- Safety** -- Actively assess safe operation of Council and District led aquatics activities including summer camp and promote aquatics safety at the Unit level.
- Attraction, Development and Retention of Aquatic Leadership** -- Develop and maintain enough qualified instructors, distributed throughout the council, to timely meet all local aquatic training needs.

Training

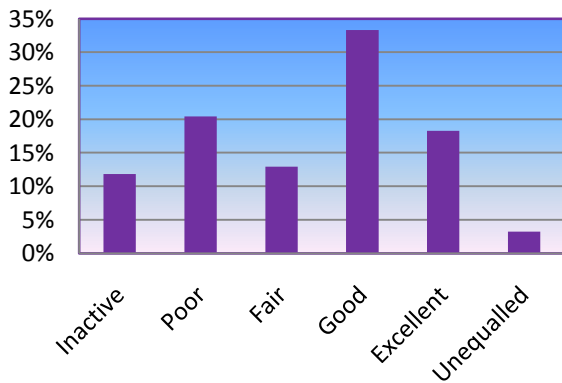


Rate your Council's Aquatics Committee on its fulfillment of the recommended responsibility of "Training".

TRAINING

RESPONSE	TOTAL	PERCENT
Inactive	13	14%
Poor	15	16%
Fair	22	24%
Good	33	35%
Excellent	8	9%
Unequalled	2	2%

Program



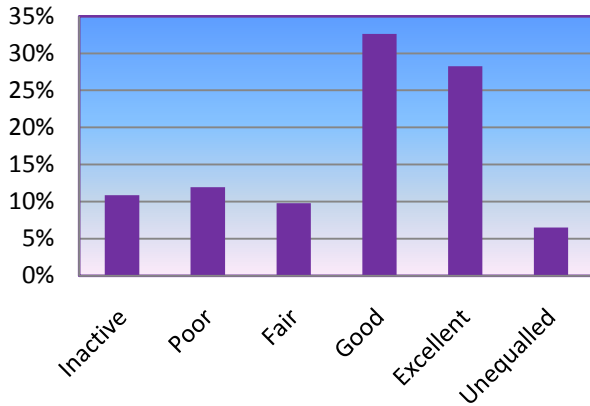
Rate your Council's Aquatics Committee on its fulfillment of the recommended responsibility of "Program".

PROGRAM

RESPONSE	TOTAL	PERCENT
Inactive	11	12%
Poor	19	20%
Fair	12	13%
Good	31	33%
Excellent	17	18%
Unequalled	3	3%

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Advancement

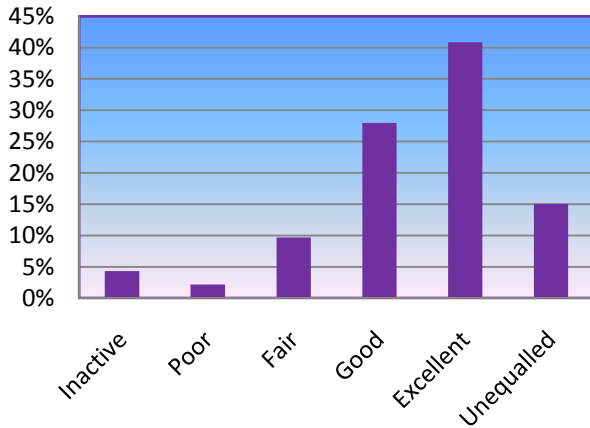


Rate your Council's Aquatics Committee on its fulfillment of the recommended responsibility of **"Advancement"**.

ADVANCEMENT

RESPONSE	TOTAL	PERCENT
Inactive	10	11%
Poor	11	12%
Fair	9	10%
Good	30	33%
Excellent	26	28%
Unequaled	6	7%

Safety

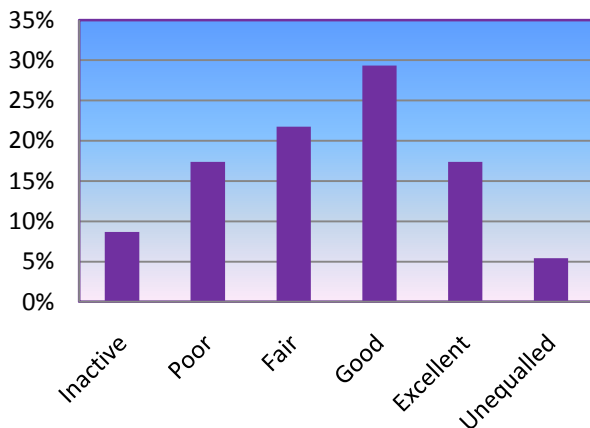


Rate your Council's Aquatics Committee on its fulfillment of the recommended responsibility of **"Safety"**.

SAFETY

RESPONSE	TOTAL	PERCENT
Inactive	4	4%
Poor	2	2%
Fair	9	10%
Good	26	28%
Excellent	38	41%
Unequaled	14	15%

Aquatic Leadership



Rate your Council's Aquatics Committee on its fulfillment of the recommended responsibility of **"Aquatic Leadership"**.

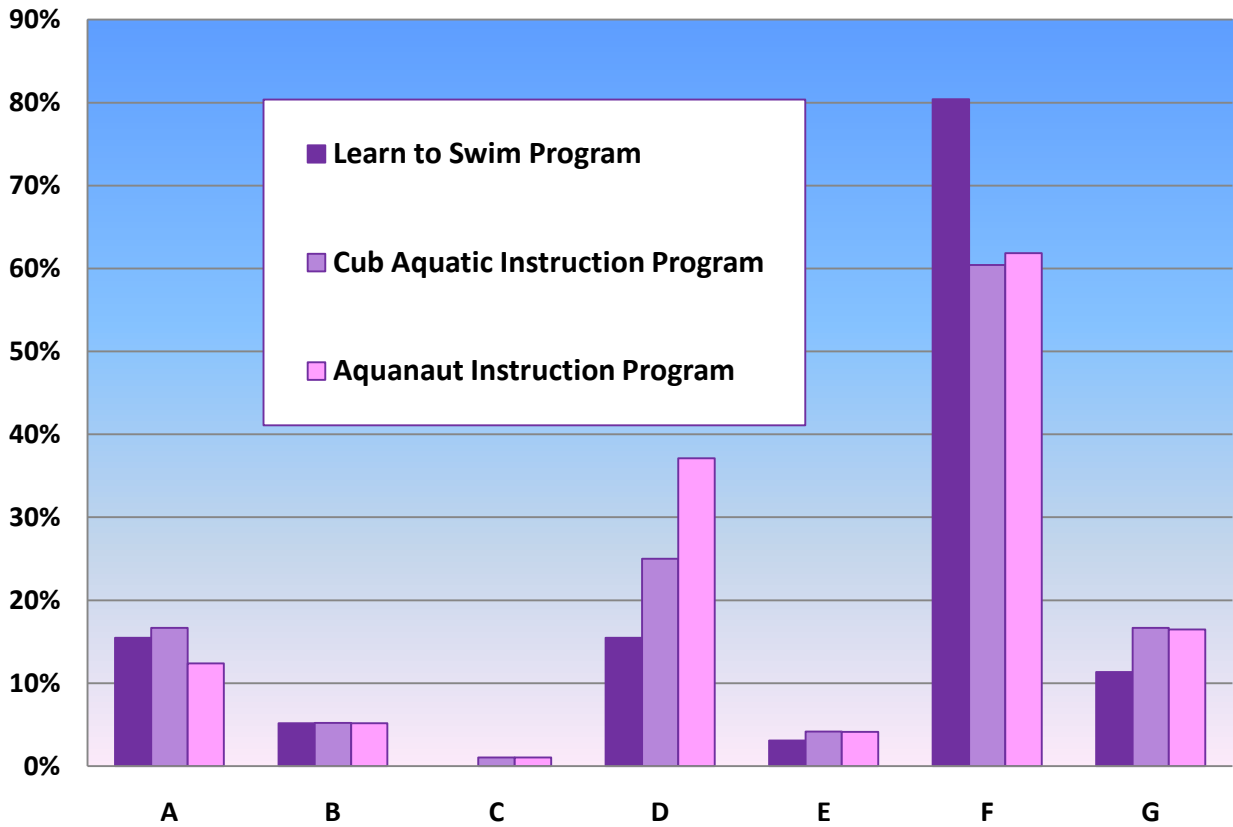
AQ LEADERSHIP

RESPONSE	TOTAL	PERCENT
Inactive	8	9%
Poor	16	17%
Fair	20	22%
Good	27	29%
Excellent	16	17%
Unequaled	5	5%

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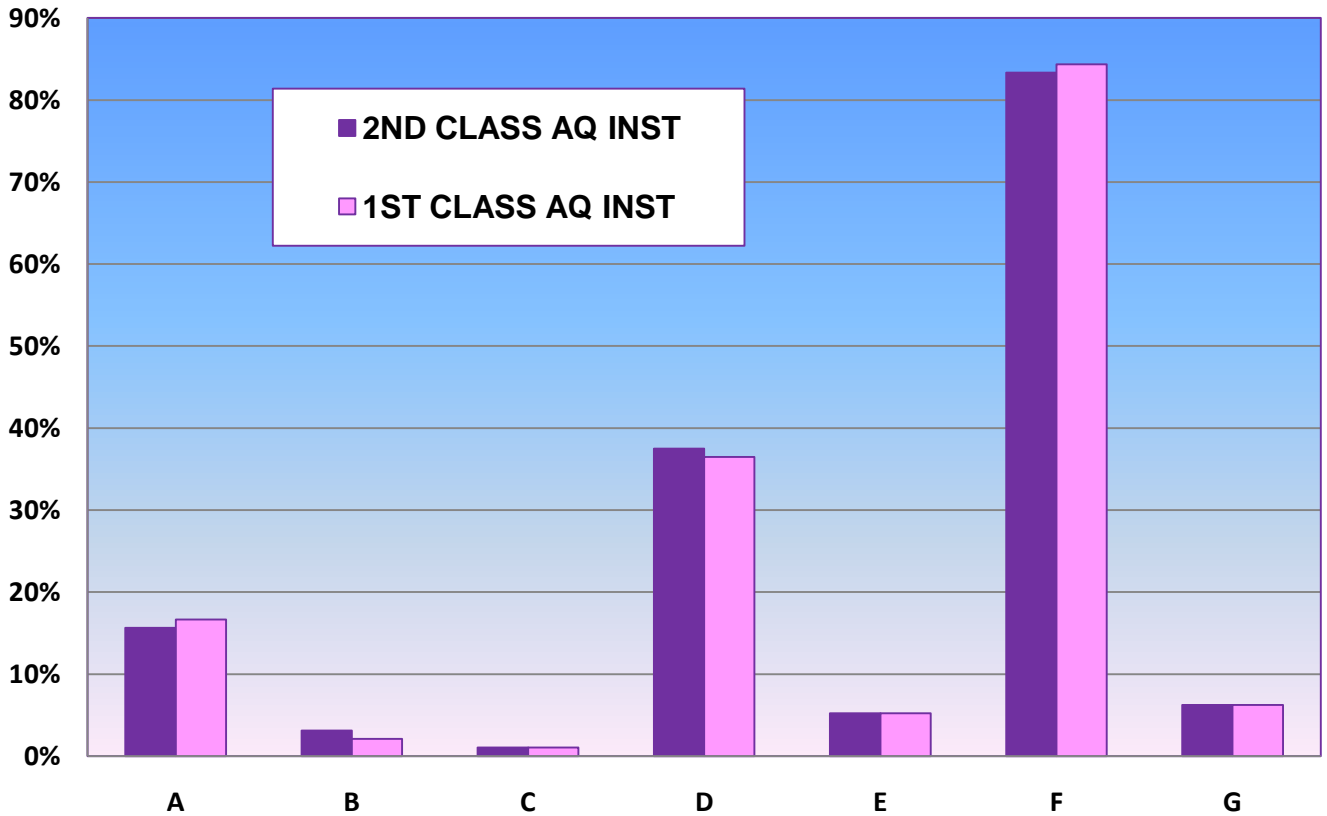
*ADVANCEMENT
PROGRAMS*

Learn to Swim, Cub Aquatic Instruction, Aquanaut Instruction



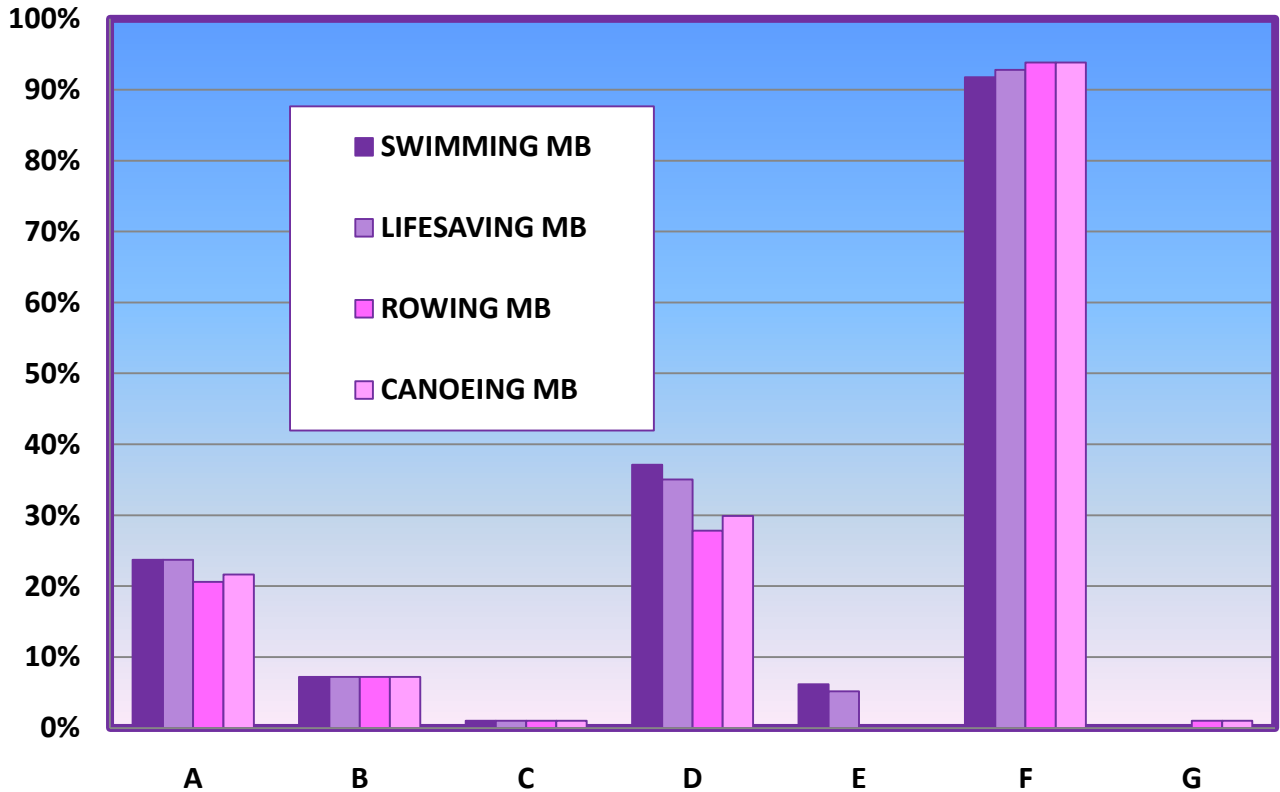
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2nd / 1st CLASS AQUATIC INSTRUCTION



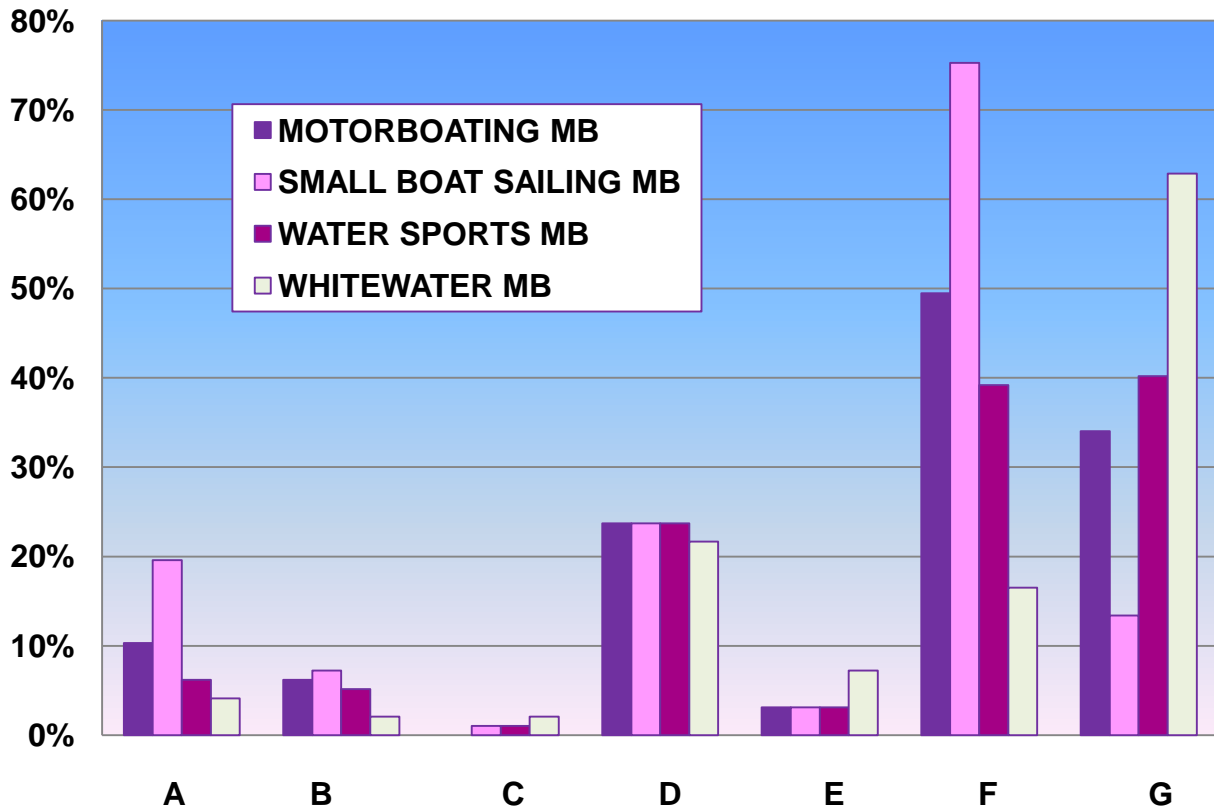
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**SWIMMING MB, LIFESAVING MB,
ROWING MB, CANOEING MB**



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MOTORBOATING MB, SMALL BOAT SAILING MB, WATER SPORTS MB, WHITEWATER MB

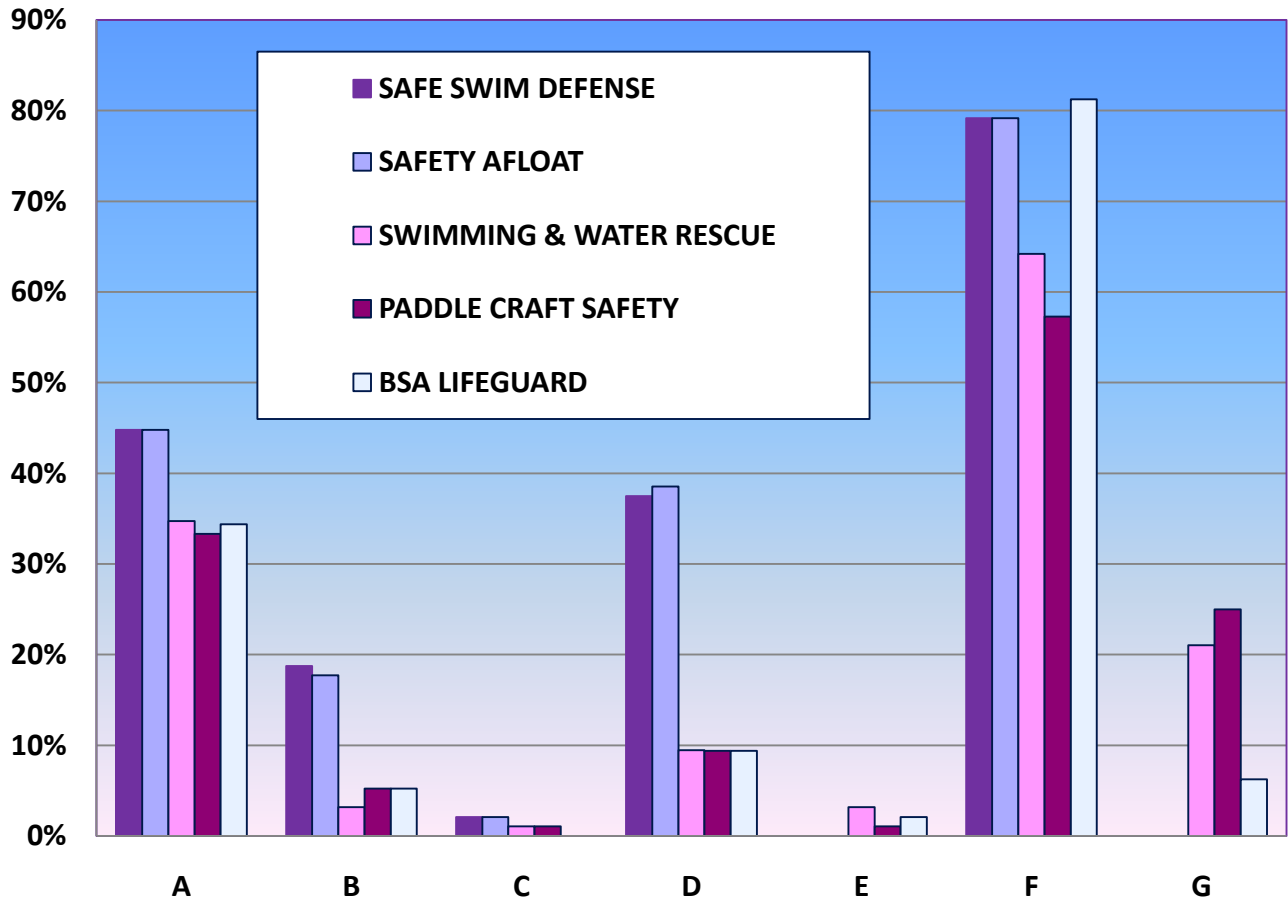


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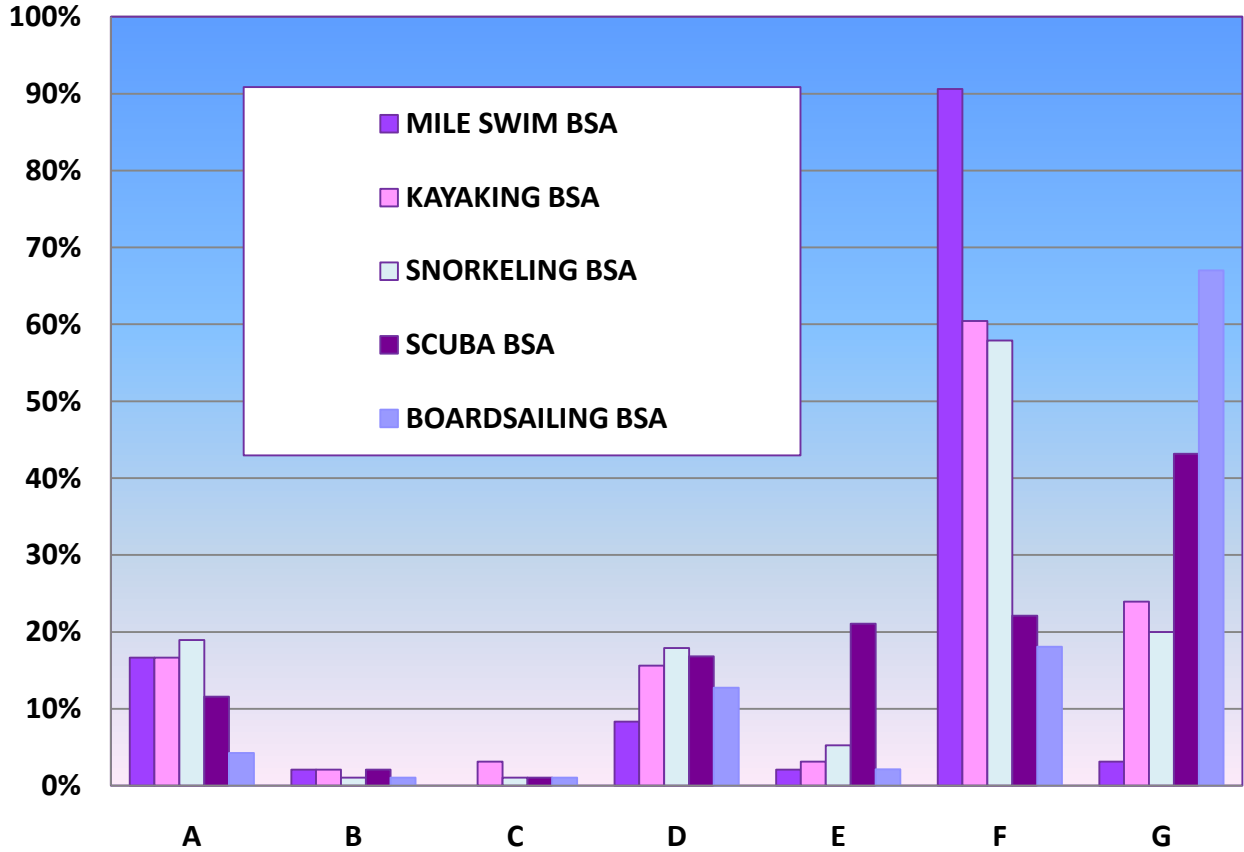
AQUATIC LEADERSHIP INSTRUCTION



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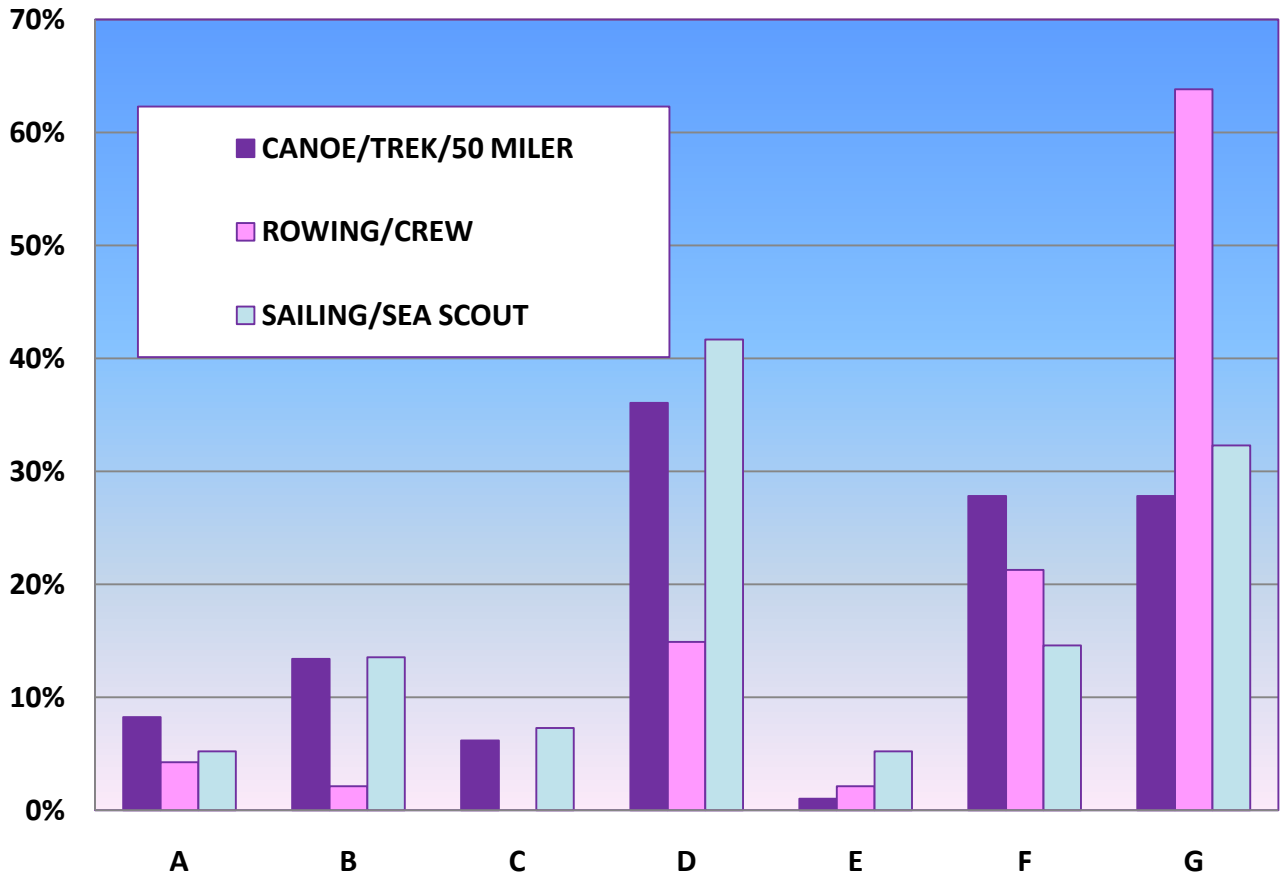
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MILE SWIM BSA, KAYAKING BSA, SNORKELING BSA, SCUBA BSA, BOARDSAILING BSA



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CANOE/TREK/50 MILER, ROWING/CREW, SAILING/SEA SCOUT

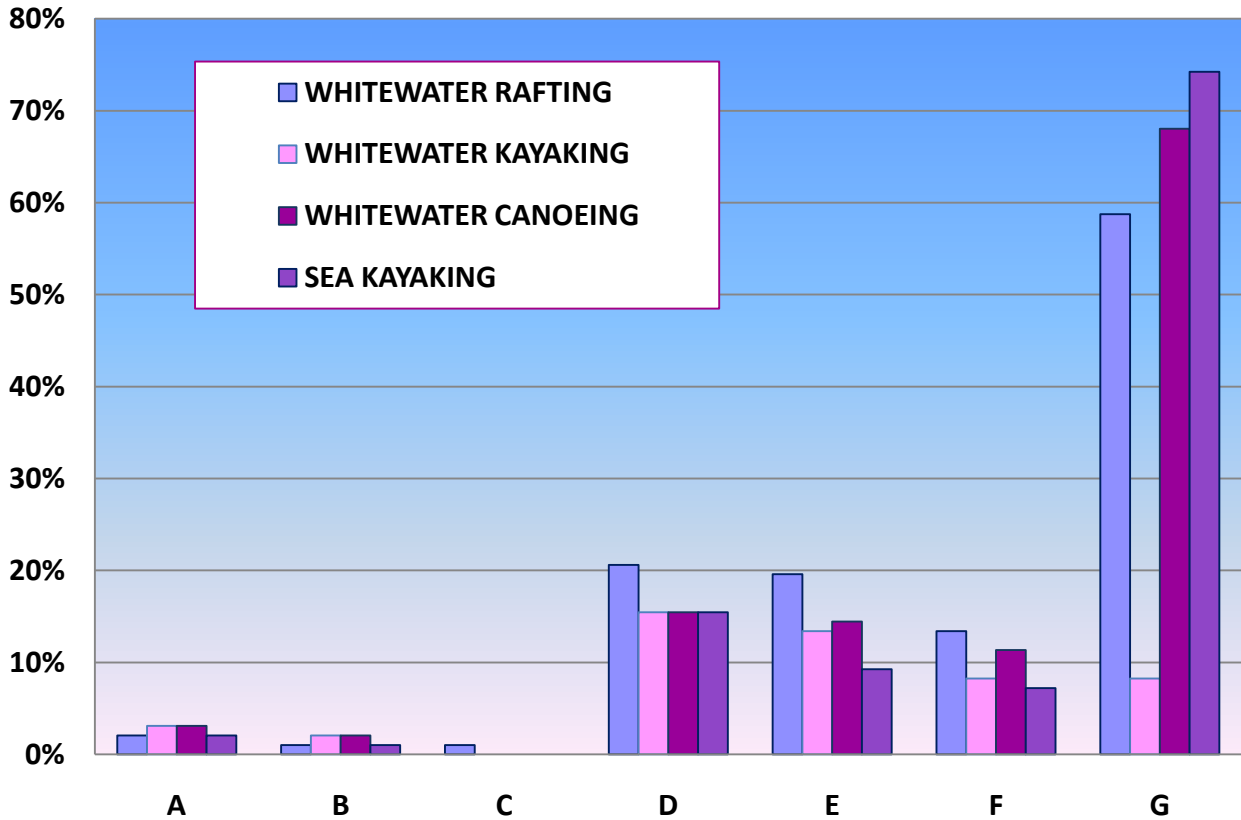


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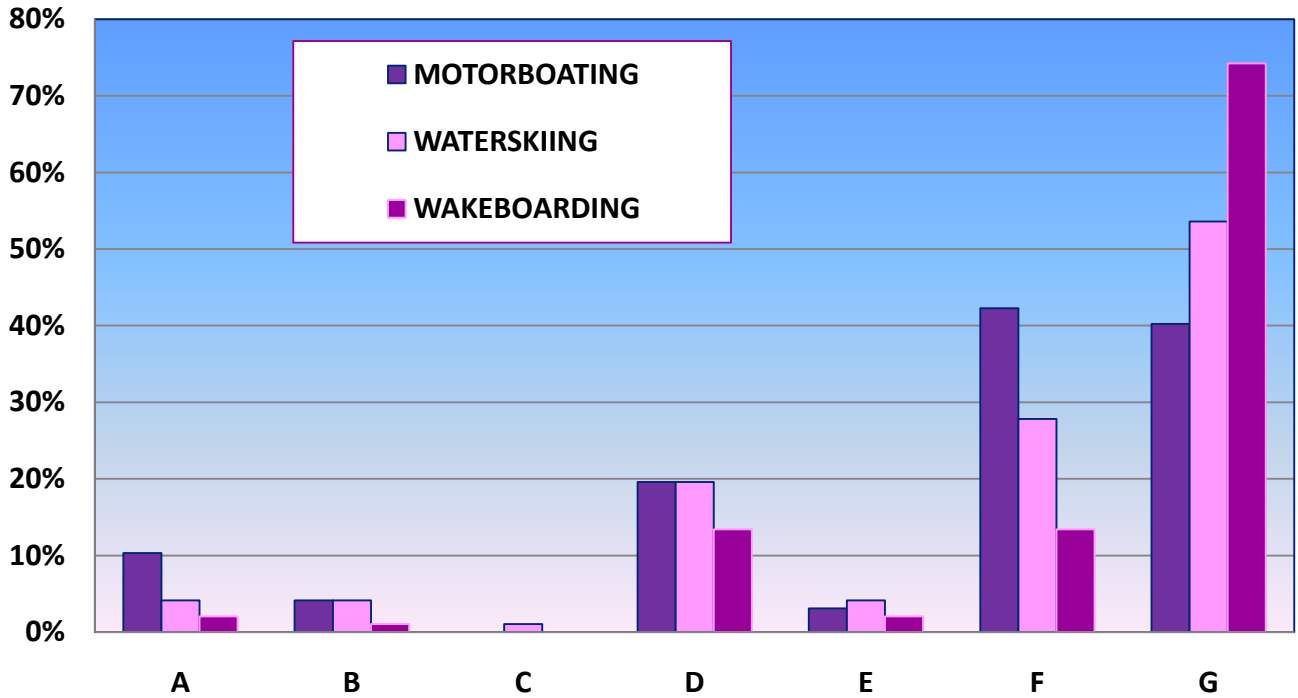
SPECIALTY
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WHITEWATER RAFTING, WHITEWATER KAYAKING, WHITEWATER CANOEING, SEA KAYAKING



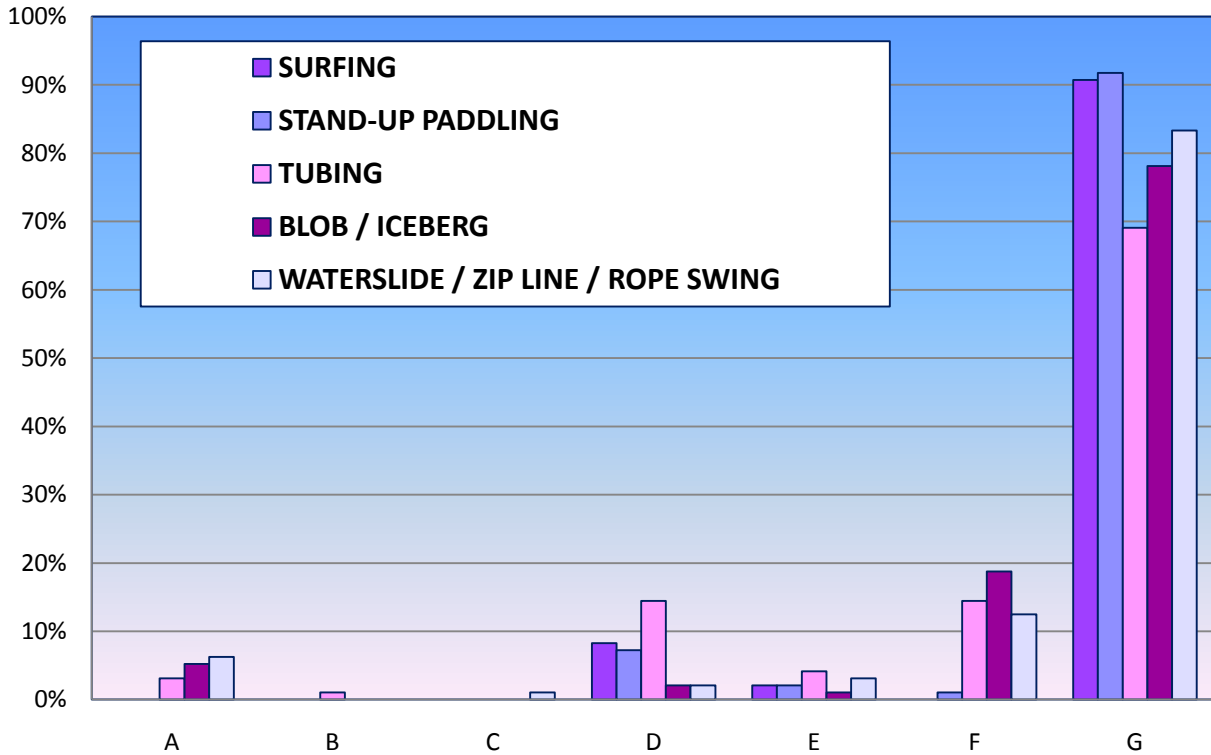
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MOTORBOATING, WATERSKIING, WAKEBOARDING



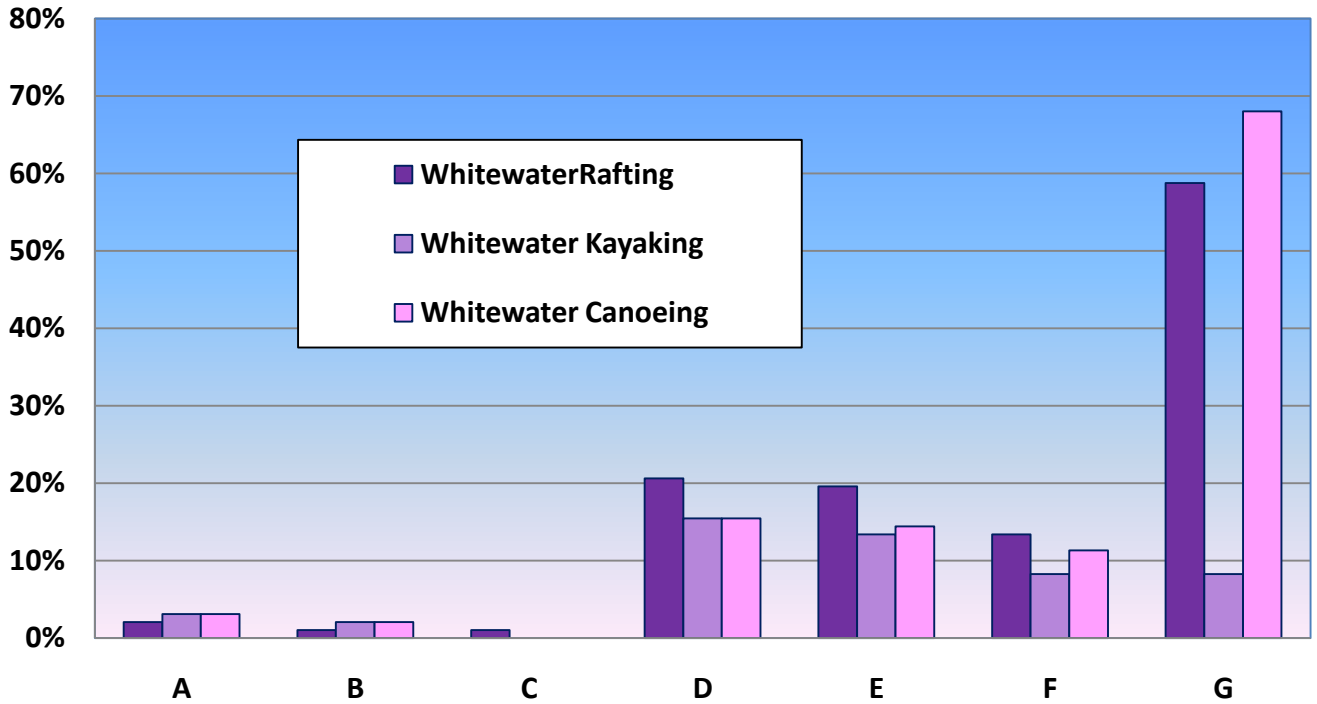
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SURFING, STAND-UP PADDLING, TUBING, BLOB/ICEBERG, WATERSLIDE/ZIP LINE/ROPE SWING



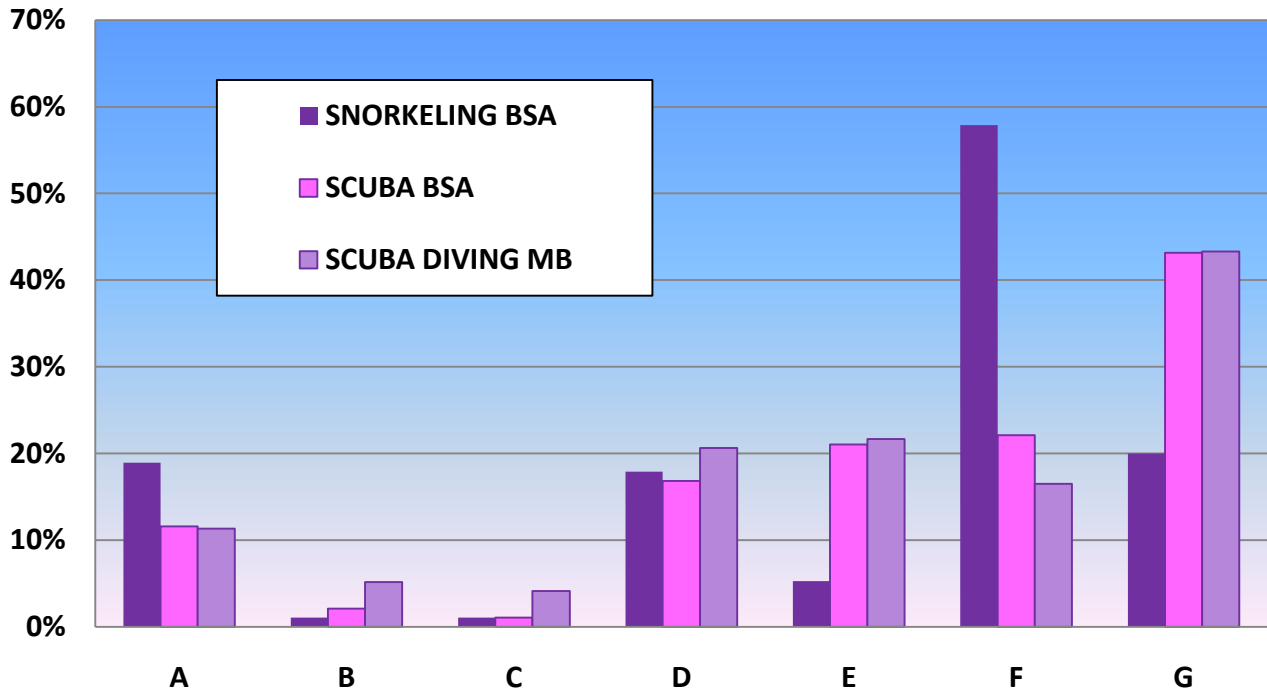
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Whitewater Rafting, Kayaking, Canoeing



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SNORKELING BSA, SCUBA BSA, SCUBA DIVING MB



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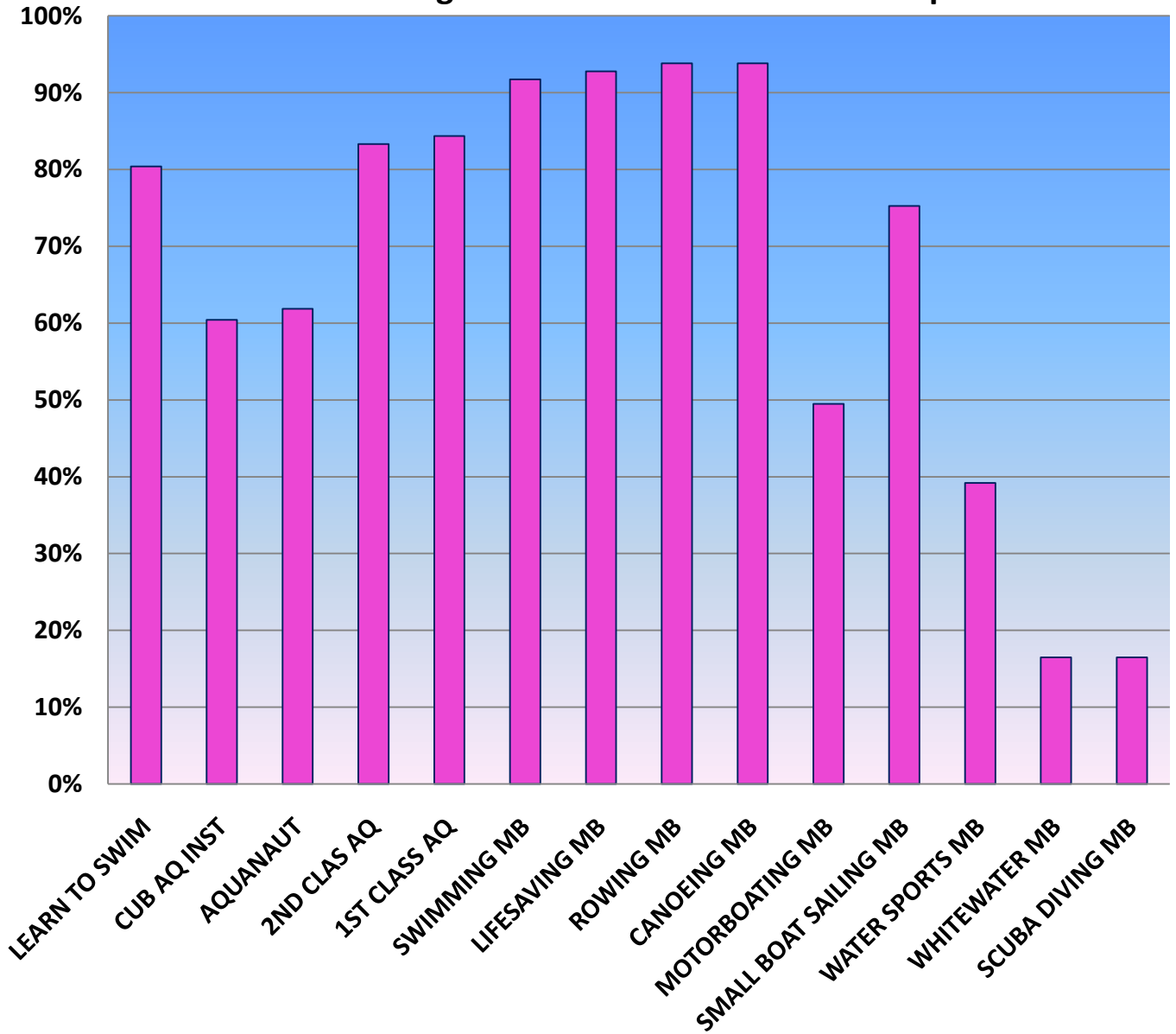
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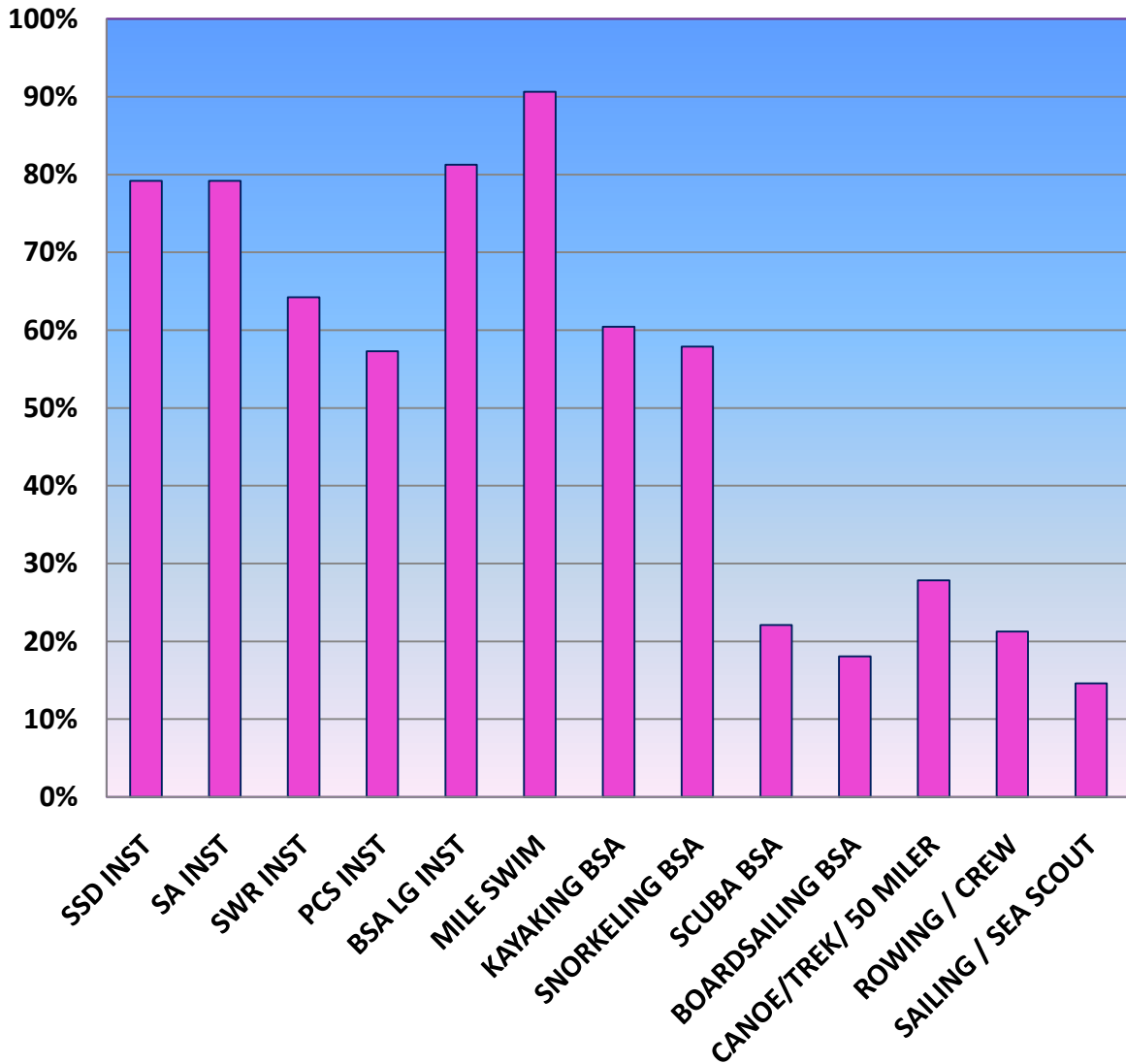
*SUMMER CAMP
PROGRAMS*

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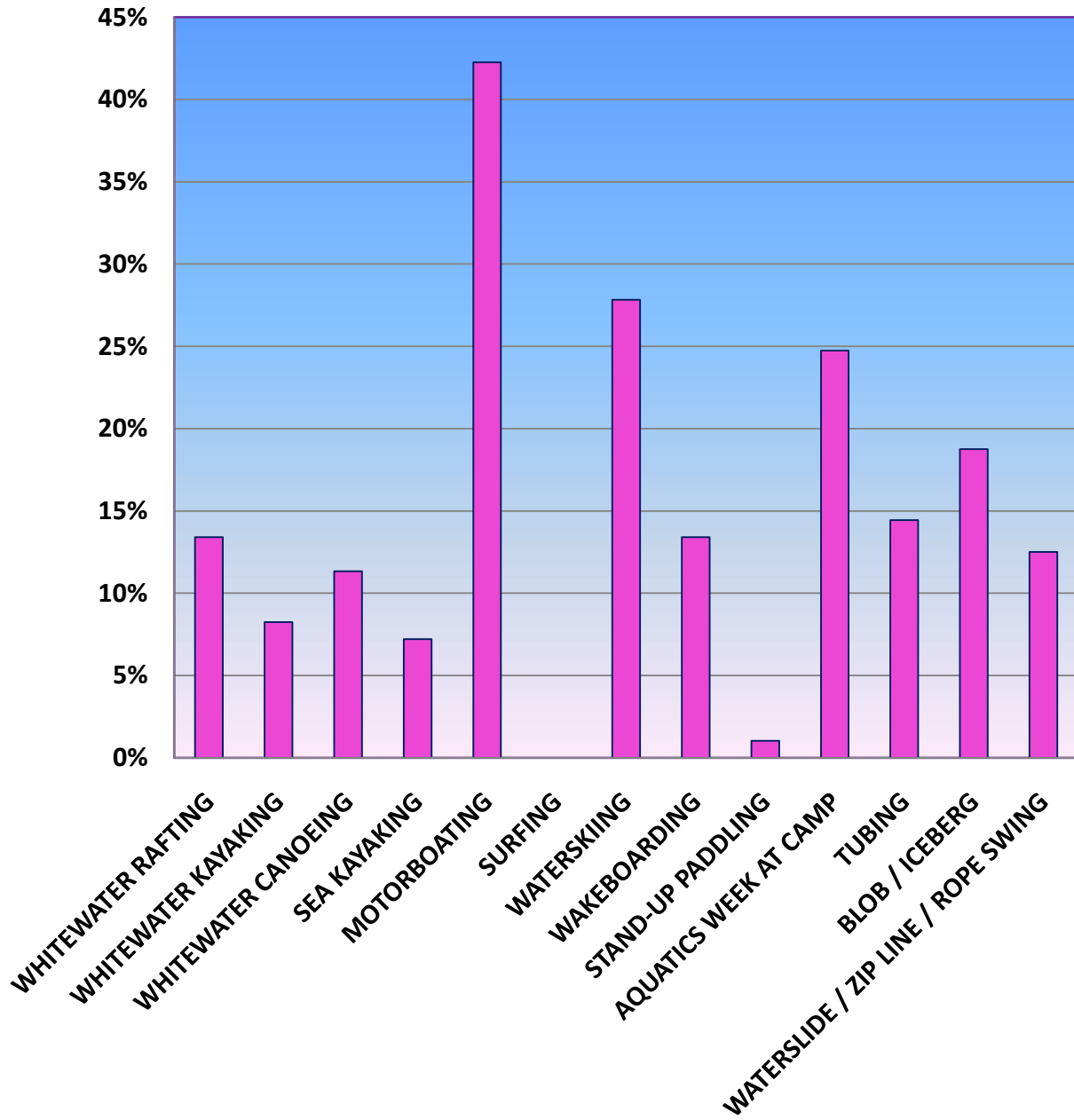
Advancement Programs Available at Summer Camp



Instruction, Recreation and Aq Leadership Programs Available in Summer Camp



Aquatics Specialty Programs Available at Summer Camp



SECTION IV
SURVEY
COMMENTS

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RESPONDENT COMMENTS ON:

- 1. BEST PRACTICES**
- 2. INPUT AND FEEDBACK**
- 3. WISH LIST**

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BEST PRACTICES

- *Council promotion of Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat on line training.*
- *Above courses available at summer camp along with Aquatics Supervision Training*
- *We have created the 'Path of the Paddle' progressive paddlesports award program. We work with the High Adventure Training staff to offer a combined Paddlesports Awareness / Paddlecraft Safety course.*
- *We are a new addition to our council. This year it was our goal to offer a BSA Lifeguard Class for all of our Summer camp aquatic staff. We achieved this with great success! The Aquatics Committee also visits our Summer Camps prior to Inspection to ensure all Aquatics standards are in place.*
- *Pre Camp Swim tests.*
- *Aquatics Committee ensures that the Summer Camps (4) adhere to ALL National Standards. The committee meets a minimum of 3 times per year, reviewing all new materials, procedures, standards, etc.*
- *We have good lake waterfronts at our Scout Reservation (4 BS, 2 Web camps), pool & small lake at our close in Cub World camp (use that for PCS & SWR training), provide scuba cert training & Scuba BSA through a local dive shop, have a good aquatics committee webpage under on our council's site, have gotten good feedback on the PCS & SWR courses we've offered.*
- *Allatoona Aquatics Base Program - provides a great program to Scouts in aquatic MB and fun activities*
- *Aquatics Supervisor and Red Cross LG at Woodruff - extensive training program serving 25+ per week*
- *We run three high adventure aquatic programs in the Council:*
 1. *Shoshone Lake canoe trek in Yellowstone National Park*
 2. *Snake River canoe trek out of Camp Little Lemhi*
 3. *Salmon River High Adventure Base with hard-shell kayaking and white water rafting on the Salmon River*
- *Have a good relationship with a local kayaking organization and business to provide kayaking instruction at summer camp*
- *Our aquatics committee offers BSA lifeguard training for summer camp aquatics staff so they are trained prior to camp*
- *We have started having Aquatics weekends where all of our watersports are available for merit badges. This allows Scouts who do not attend our summer camp to be exposed to it, earn a merit badge, and hopefully develop interest in coming to our summer camp.*
- *Aquatics committee meets quarterly and reviews aquatics and summer camping operations, physical facilities/capital wants and needs.*

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- *We are still in the building-block stage of the aquatics committee so a lot of this still is uncharted territory for us at this time*
- *Willingness to have multiple Aquatic Instructors on our staff of ten guards*
- *One of Boy Scout resident camps, Many Point, has a Huck Finn Raft program which allows units to spend nights (and days) on a large, tented, raft anchored in a lake. Aquatics activities are conducted from that raft during the unit's stay.*
- *The "Ice Berg" has been a hit for the past 3 years at our Waterfront*
- *canoeing, rowing, swimming, and life saving +BSA Lifeguard*
- *We have a strong lakefront and pool programs. We offer several aquatics merit badges and activities.*
- *for the past 8 or 9 years we have work with various city recreation agencies to offer swimming, lifesaving and bsa lifeguard year around all are bsa registered*
- *None outside of standard BSA programs at the present time*
- *Winter Merit Badge Program and a well rounded Resident Summer Camp Program*
- *At our Boy Scout summer camp, the waterfront staff works closely with the First Year Camper program to offer aquatic advancement opportunities scouts may not be otherwise afforded. Our summer aquatic staff is also available to assist with unit and district activities if venues are available.*
- *Kodiak leadership training is offered at Boy Scout summer camp that includes sailing as the high adventure highlight. Boating skills staff training is coordinated by the Aquatics Committee.*
- *The Aquatics Committee conducts pre-summer camp swim tests yearly in each district. Over one half of campers are tested this way.*
- *BSA Lifeguard training for summer camp staff is conducted by the Aquatics Committee for all council camps in the spring.*
- *Our Committee does a great job at overseeing all paperwork and training lessons are up to date and used correctly*
- *Winter aquatics program for BSA lifeguard develops aquatics summer camp staff and educating MB aquatic counselors*
- *BSA Life Guard*
- *We have an aqua jump and iceberg at our summer camp that is popular with the Scouts. We also have an ironman competition that the Scouts look forward to every year at our water carnival*
- *Safety Afloat program year round*
- *Extensive sailing program on Lake Murray, SC including two 30-ft and a 25 foot sailboats.*
- *The Aquatics Program at our summer camps is presently providing aquatics training in items listed on charts above. We have increased our offerings considerably in recent years, and hope to continue to do so in the future*

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- *Only other thing, other than activities & programs listed above, is the Aquatic Safety (general overview of all things aquatic) at University of Scouting by Aquatics Committee.*
- *Practice - Strong commitment from the council to support aquatic programs year-round*
- *We have partnered with the Corpus Christi Yacht Club for several years now and offer a week long sailing camp that teaches both basic sailing, the Small Boat Sailing Merit Badge and for those who are interested they can return to learn advanced sailing and racing techniques.*
- *We work with a local, licensed sea kayaking and fly fishing guide and offer a three day high adventure paddling, fishing and barrier island camping program each week during our summer camp season for older Scouts.*
- *Here in South Texas kids are involved in aquatic activities sometimes before they can even walk. We have instituted a formal water safety training program at all levels of the council for our members safety both in and out of Scouting. Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat are taught at every Cub Scout Day Camp, Boy Scout Resident Camp and at our Sailing Camp. They are taught annually at every district's roundtables and are incorporated into every adult leader training course we teach. Additionally we highly encourage older Scouts and leaders to participate in lifeguard training at our summer camps and are working with the American Red Cross and the YMCA to make life guard training available outside of camp.*
- *The Chesapeake High Adventure Sailing Experience (CHASE) has been running for several years from the Hampton Roads Areas. A crew spends a week on a 30+foot sail boat, living on it, staying at various marinas and sailing the Rappanock River to the Chesapeake Bay. Been working on starting a Winter Life Guard class, but ran into issues with securing an indoor pool.*
- *We offer High Adventure Sail Programs from our Council Camp*
- *We Also offer "Day Sails" and Overnight weekend sailing trips utilizing our large sailboats during the non-summer camp months*
- *Personal water craft, Claytor Lake Aquatics Base, Whitewater guide instruction*
- *Offering Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat several times throughout the year as well as at Summer Camp.*
- *C.I.T. Program at Camp is working. All current waterfront staff have come up through the ranks*
- *Kayak skill award works well at summer camp as an introduction to paddle sports, particularly for smaller scouts that are not ready to handle a canoe effectively*

INPUT AND FEEDBACK

- *Provide basic functions and recommended volunteer structure for the Aquatic Committee*
- *Not clear if aquatics committee should be a subcommittee of training, camping, risk management, etc.*
- *Aquatics programs are capital-intensive; everyone has backpacks, but who has canoes? Units cannot offer aquatics program without boats, and the council doesn't have boats to lend them. Also, it is difficult to offer aquatics programs at a camp with a very small waterfront and very old boats. We can offer the training, but the units end up having to come up with their own activities*
- *It would be nice if National had a set of guidelines and requirements for the Aquatics committee to achieve each year.*
- *We have had trouble recruiting volunteers for this committee; however, we have managed to fulfill most functions through the use of other committess such as health and safety, Risk management, and Program.*
- *Council is an 8 hour drive across - size is an issue. More water would help.*
- *This committee makes sense in certain areas of the country, but here in Colorado all of our water sports are during summer camp time only. All of the municipal pools and recreation outlets are open at the beginning of June (or later). We do not plan to have this committee function more than the required once a year meeting.*
- *Could use a lot of advice in implementing the new BSA LG training OUTSIDE of summer camp, could use more specific resources to fulfill the aquatics-related national camp standards, a lot of the test questions used for PCS & SWR are problematic/poorly worded/etc.*
- *We are having problems with coordinating efforts of Aqautics Committee and summer camp director - both think they are supervising the summer camp Aquatics Director. It would help if there was more information on how the Aquatics Committee and the camp director should work together - the AD can't have two bosses.*
- *BSA Lifeguard certified staff for summer camps*
- *Don't add more restrictions and prohibited activities. What we need are suggestions and guidelines for running safe activities. Today's youth want and need challenging high adventure activities.*
- *We only open the pool and waterfront during the summer for Boy Scout and Cub Scout Summer camps, primarily due to cost of operation and cost of staff. Would love to be able to develop programs to encourage more frequent use of the facility!*
- *I see that there is not a defined role for the Aquatics Committee. The Aquatics committee is not recognized by the health and Safety committee or the camping committee. I would like to meet, talk with a functioning committee to understand how this could work. Currently, the committee is called upon when there is a problem. We have received little to no support or direction from the professional staff and the professional staff lacks by in.*
- *More published details on new programs and training*
- *We have just established an Aquatics Committee. I am working to get qualified people in place on the committee. I hope to have a fully functioning committee in the near future. Information regarding the committee and its responsibilities would be helpful.*

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- *Continue to clarify swimming & aquatic rescue, paddlecraft, and BSA lifeguard. This has been a big change, everyone continues to look for BSA lifeguard training, though swimming aquatics or paddlecraft should be what they now utilize.*
- *Great aquatics guide.*
- *We are trying to implement a lot of things right now but the funding is lacking in the area due to the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina and now the BP oilspill*
- *Complete the relationship with the Red Cross and BSA for WSI*
- *I do not believe our council has had difficulty in implementing aquatics programming.*
- *National, by mandating that each council have an aquatics committee (Standard M-61), places some unnescessary burdens on the operation of some larger councils. Northern Star's camping committee promotes our camps as well as establishes and reviews policies concerning our camping and its programs.*
- *The camping committee offers guidance and advice when necessary, but for the most part micro-managing our camps and their programs is not something that is on our agenda. The council's professional staff is very capable and has been for years. I do not really understand how a committee's requiring certain things (as outlined in m-61) adds anything to an aquatics program.*
- *Understanding when the Paddle Craft Safety and Swimming and rescue trainings are to be mandatory*
- *Program/committee is new within the last year and don't have anything yet to add here.*
- *Our Council only offers aquatic merit badges, instruction, and BSA Lifeguard at Boy Scout Summer Camp. We do not have a Cub Scout Aquatics Program.*
- *An area that we stuggle with is getting updated information on changes to the aquatics program. An example is the introduction of Paddlecraft Safety and the Swimming and Water Rescue programs. The way we found out about them was by the Aquatics Directors attending camp school. This information should have been communicated earlier and more broadly. One of our camps did not know of the changes since the Aquatics Director did not need to attend NCS that year. Any changes to the aquatics program need to be communicated to the Council Aquatics Committees.*
- *better understanding of mission, purpose, organizational needs. Literature resources without having to "find it" on bsa site*
- *This committee is brand new and we do not have any concerns to this point*
- *There is interest in offering the BSA Lifeguard course outside of camp. The lack of available venues prevents us, in most instances, in providing that opportunity.*
- *With so many areas of responsibility, what are the most important functions of an Aquatics Committee? What should a committee focus on as it ramps up?*
- *More detailed info on what is needed and expected*
- *We spend far to much time meeting standards rather than providing program*

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- *Aquatics committee a good idea as subcommittee of Camping Committee, but should not be a national camp standard-- The Paddle Safety and Water Rescue courses are too long for teaching at summer camp or most other settings, and more so with limited staff and volunteer expertise. Can they be shortened to be presented like Safe Swim and Safety Afloat?*
- *New manuals come out on-line but do not adapt well and not really usable*
- *We have has leaders and older Scouts dissapointed that we don't teach BSA Lifeguard at summer camp per the direction of the national office.*
- *Plan on building new pool Infor on new pool design*
- *Our aquatics activities are primarily focused around summer camp acitvities. This is the biggest opportunity for Scout participation. There are other opportunities, but the majority of the work and planning that needs to be done will always be summer camp. Having an council aquatics committee serperate from the summer camp functions seems to be a distraction rather than a help and we have not quite figured out how to merge the two. It seems like an unnecessary level of oversite that other areas of program do not have or need.*
- *Our Council Aquatics Committee is still in the infant stage. We hope to do a whole lot more this year with this committee*
- *Tour permit application & granting same with regards to confusion on paddle-craft safety requirements*
- *Sometimes the Aquatic Standards are updated but not communicated for whatever reason*
- *Just the usuall issue of insuring we get enough of the right people on the committees.*
- *Communication from National to Aquatics Chair is a major concern. Was not aware of the new camp requirement, M-71 for provide Aquatics Supervision. In a Scramble to set up program for camp this summer*
- *Better explanation of wheter or not we should have BSA lifeguard at all for a program.*
- *Better information on the exact organization of a Council Aquatics committee.*
- *Program guides for teaching the Aquatic activites.*
- *Guides of proper equipment for utlization in Summer Camp Aquatics programs*
- *Keep it simple and safe*
- *Would love to have any information on doing an acquatics week at Summer Camp.*
- *When we first heard about the Aquatics Committee mandate it was as a requirement to pass the 2009 Summer Camp Visitation review. So we thought it should be a committee under Council VP for CAMP and lacking any other direction we started to form a committee.*
- *Aquatics Directors go to camp school so they have the current rules and teaching techniques so we were confused what the role of committee would be at camp.*
- *Then in July of 2009 we found a short apendix in the new 'Aquatics Supervision' guide (No 34346) and we realized the scope is Council-wide and year-round*

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- *I think some camp and program directors are reluctant to have outsider input in their program. We have two camps and one embraces the concept while the other has been slower to actively participate in provided pre-camp counselor training. Additional emphasis on co-operating with a volunteer committee for an overall improvement in safety and program at National Camps School in all camp mangement sessions might be helpful.*

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WISH LIST

- *Get BSA Lifeguard exam key off the internet*
- *Specific guidance concerning if/when Swimming & Water Rescue and/or Paddlecraft Safety will be required*
- *National Camp Schools available throughout the year and not just before summer camp/resident camp season.*
- *Contact list of other councils who have innovative water activities to see what we might be able to put into practice in our local council.*
- *Complete set of standards in a fill-in document (such as this) for the following programs:*
 - (1) Rowing Venturing crew program and vessels*
 - (2) Sea Scout sailing program and vessels*
 - (3) Sea Scout power boat program and vessels.*

Right now, the standards are scattered between different documents, and no single National checklist or certification program exists.
- *Since we do not have a summer camp, our council does not need assistance for summer camp programs. We hope the other councils where are packs and troops are going have what they need to run a safe and fun program.*
- *I would like to have a contact where I can get updates to the SWR/PCS material. In particuar, many of the the questions on the SWR exam are badly phrased or ambiguous, and led to confusion for instructors and students. A forum of some kind for idea-swapping might be useful.*
- *I wish there was some type of fourm (yahoo group etc.) where Aquatics Committees could communicate and share ideas.*
- *A resource on how to develop a Aquatics Committee and an outline for the main objectives for the group would be helpful. If this resource exists, I have not been made aware of it.*
- *I am unhappy with the current BSA Life Guard application. In our effort to be more like the Red Cross with all of its obvious benefits, we have elimintaed the parts of the BSA Life Guard Training that made it unique and relevant for Scouting. Specifically, in the old system we required the development of a Float Plan as well as demonstared proficinecy with water craft, particiually Canoes and Row Boats. I feel that this needs to be added back in. We used to train Boys and Leaders to run a safe swim or float trip in the back country. I think that we have watered down the boating and float plan requirements to the point that we are now training boys to work at commercial pools like the red cross. This is a mistake. Just my two cents...*
- *Fewer rules and programs as they confuse units.*
- *Make the Aquatics Supervision manual available in softcopy (pdf format) to promote it's usage. More aquatics-related promotional materials (the scuba diving merit badge roll-out material was great!), regular communication on BSA aquatics activities (the google group is good, but not always responsive), better way of communicating updates/changes presented at NCS to Aquatics*

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Committees (we want to ensure that our ADs have current info even if they attended NCS in years past)

- *Share best practices*
- *Share information on supporting outside agencies*
- *Offer a meeting of aquatics committee chairs at a national meeting.*
- *NCS should offer better training on white water skills and rescue techniques.*
- *Information on councils who have successful Venturing camps and aquatics camps.*
- *A general roles and responsibilities of the committee. Also, how to bring in the outside agencies ie Red Cross, PADI.*
- *Promotional and informational materials*
- *Easier access to training for camp staff and year round aquatics instructors. Camp School is available for such limited times it is difficult to train enough staff to provide coverage for year round activities. An Aquatics camp school at an indoor facility earlier in the spring would be really great.*
- *More information on how to implement cub aquatics promotion, opportunities.*
- *I wish there were more information available to the units as well as a how-to manual on how to better raise money to afford the ammenities that go along with running a successful aquatics committee.*
- *Time for kayaking MB!*
- *Keep the Standards clearly defined and free from interpretation.*
- *Send councils good concise info on how best to run the aquatics committee and the program in general.*
- *better communication*
- *Aquatics "outside of the box" programming that is being offered elsewhere.*
- *Boy Scouts - Assistance in acquiring new Sail Craft and Rowboats for Summer Camp.*
- *Direction for expanding the Cub Day Camp Program.*
- *Direction for expanding the Council's Sea Scout Program.*
- *A list of trained Aquatics instructors, available to councils, would be helpful. In many instances older Scouts and camp staff are attending college outside their home councils, but would be willing and available if asked. It would be very helpful to have a resource guide to help us find those individuals who are trained and are residents (temorary) to councils during the winter months, so that more year-round aquatic activities by districts and councils could be afforded to the youth.*
- *Guidance on establishing aquatics merit badge counselor minimum standards.*
- *I think more info on what National is looking for*
- *Fewer standards!*

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- *Need updated instructors manual for Paddle Craft and Swimming Water Rescue*
- *We have had lots of requests for a Kayaking merit badge at our camp.*
- *Changes in program or rules pass along sooner*
- *Clearer and more understandable aquatics materials. The rollout of the Paddlecraft and Water Safety trainings was confusing and still not well understood about how they fit into unit programs. The status of BSA lifeguard is very confusing -- it seems to be only for camp staff but is still in demand from Scouts and units. A clear communication to the professional or Camp Directors regarding the changes and new aquatics programs should take the place of piecemeal communications across multiple mediums*
- *We would love to host regional boating/aquatics trainings and activities.*
- *The new aquatics manual is very professionally done and will help us achieve consistency with our aquatics program. National keeping us informed on any changes, sources for aquatic supplies, and the like would help us.*
- *We would love to be able to upgrade our Council Camps with new canoes/ sliding seat rowboats, and the like. Help to obtain these items would be something we could use. We understand boats like these may be available at reduced prices at the National Jamboree. I have asked our Scout Executive if we can take advantage of this opportunity.*
- *none... like all other committees; right volunteer people make it happen; only suggestion is to keep things simple and not try to do everything... i.e. jet skis and etc.*
- *Need to train more aquatic volunteers but do not know what National can do different.*
- *There needs to be a Cub Scout Sports and Academic Belt Loop and Pin for Canoeing and Rowing. These are standard activities at District and Council Cub Scout events in every council I have been in in the Southern USA. At a minimum there should be one for boating safety.*
- *I can organize a new Scout troop and teach an adult everything he needs to know about camping in a weekend and then where to find the other information he needs as his troop grows and develops. However, there is not a good resource available to councils to train adults on sailing so they can start a Sea Scout Ship. You are limited to searching for people who already know how to sail. In our area this program has huge potential if we can find a way to train some adults to be Skippers and sailors. We (council) actually have a small fleet of large sailboats, but no one to sail them. Yes I know Sea Scouts do not have to sail and can do any type of boating activity.*
- *Kite Boarding is a huge activity in our area, but it is a prohibited Scouting activity. With some of the new safety technology that is coming into common use in this sport to prevent people from getting lifted off the water by the kite I wish this would get re-examined. I think this would make a good Venturing and older Scout activity. Many of our Scouts are doing it anyways on their own.*
- *Better communications*
- *Inovative games, activities, and programs for the 4 target program areas listed above.*
- *Equipment recommendations for the Aquatic Programs*
- *purchasing assistance for Ski and Wakeboard boats*

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- *I feel that new 'required committees' should be rolled out with a self evaluation, similar to this survey. It needs to help new, and existing, committees identify what they are doing well and where they can have a positive impact on council safety and program. Then they can set 'SMART' goals for their council.*
- *I also feel those trained at camp school should leave with an idea of how the committee can support them and how they can help the committee fulfill its potential both at camp and year-round*
- *What are the rules related to blobs, rope swings, zip lines and waterslides?*
- *We had a thriving winter aquatic program including instructional swim, rank advancement skills, swimming and lifeaving merit badges, and BSA Lifeguard. When alternative paths to Eagle were established that offered more choices instead of swimming merit badge enrollment plummeted and made it cost prohibitive to continue the winter indoor pool program. Indoor pool rental in the north is too expensive to provide for limited numbers of participants*

APPENDIX

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ADVANCEMENT PROGRAMS																												
	LEARN TO SWIM		CUBAQ INST		AQUANAUT		2ND CLAS AQ		1ST CLASS AQ		SWIMMING MB		LIFESAVING MB		ROWING MB		CANOEING MB		MOTORBOATING MB		SMALL BOAT SAILING MB		WATER SPORTS MB		WHITEWATER MB		SCUBA DIVING MB	
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B	5	5%	5	5%	5	5%	3	3%	2	2%	7	7%	7	7%	7	7%	7	7%	6	6%	7	7%	5	5%	2	2%	5	5%
C	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%	1	1%	1	1%	1	1%	1	1%	1	1%	1	1%	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%	2	2%	4	4%
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F	78	80%	58	60%	60	62%	80	83%	81	84%	89	92%	90	93%	91	94%	91	94%	48	49%	73	75%	38	39%	16	16%	16	16%
G	11	11%	16	17%	16	16%	6	6%	6	6%	0	0%	0	0%	1	1%	1	1%	33	34%	13	13%	39	40%	61	63%	42	43%

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AQUANAUT	12%	5%	1%	37%	4%	62%	16%
2ND CLAS AQ	16%	3%	1%	38%	5%	83%	6%
1ST CLASS AQ	17%	2%	1%	36%	5%	84%	6%
SWIMMING MB	24%	7%	1%	37%	6%	92%	0%
LIFESAVING MB	24%	7%	1%	35%	5%	93%	0%
ROWING MB	21%	7%	1%	28%	0%	94%	1%
CANOEING MB	22%	7%	1%	30%	0%	94%	1%
MOTORBOATING MB	10%	6%	0%	24%	3%	49%	34%
SMALL BOAT SAILING MB	20%	7%	1%	24%	3%	75%	13%
WATER SPORTS MB	6%	5%	1%	24%	3%	39%	40%
WHITEWATER MB	4%	2%	2%	22%	7%	16%	63%
SCUBA DIVING MB	11%	5%	4%	21%	22%	16%	43%

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INSTRUCTION, RECREATION AND AQA LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS																										
	SSD INST		SA INST		SWR INST		PCS INST		BSA LG INST		MILE SWIM		KAYAKING BSA		SNORKELING BSA		SCUBA BSA		BOARDSAILING BSA		CANOE/TREK/ 50 MILER		ROWING / CREW		SAILING / SEA SCOUT	
A	43	45%	43	45%	33	35%	32	33%	33	34%	16	17%	16	17%	18	19%	11	12%	4	4%	8	8%	4	4%	5	5%
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PCS INST													33%	5%	1%	9%	1%	57%	25%									
BSA LG INST													34%	5%	0%	9%	2%	81%	6%									
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AQUATICS SPECIALTY PROGRAMS																										
	WATER RAFTING		WATER KAYAKING		WATER CANOEING		SEA KAYAKING		MOTORBOATING		SURFING		WATERSKIING		WAKEBOARDING		STAND-UP PADDLING		AQUATICS WEEK AT CAMP		TUBING		BLOB / ICEBERG		WATERSLIDE / ZIP LINE / ROPE SWING	
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C	1	1%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	1	1%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	1	1%
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WATER CANOEING	3% 2% 0% 15% 14% 11% 68%
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MOTORBOATING	10% 4% 0% 20% 3% 42% 40%
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WATERSKIING	4% 4% 1% 20% 4% 28% 54%
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STAND-UP PADDLING	0% 0% 0% 7% 2% 1% 92%
AQUATICS WEEK AT CAMP	7% 3% 0% 2% 0% 25% 70%
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COUNCIL NAME	██████
COUNCIL CITY	██████
NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING SURVEY	██████ <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer <input type="checkbox"/> Professional
TITLE OF PERSON COMPLETING SURVEY	██████
EMAIL	██████

How long has your council had an Aquatics Committee?

- More than 5 years
- 3 – 5 years
- 1 – 3 years
- Less than 1 year
- No active committee

Describe how your Aquatics Committee is structured.

- A stand-alone committee
- A sub-committee of another council committee
- A task force
- Another committee fulfills the role of the Aquatics Committee
- No active committee

What best describes your Aquatics committee's **activities and participation**?

- Committee is fully functioning, monitoring and supporting the council's aquatics activities on a year-round basis.
- Committee meets regularly to discuss program and policy situations as they arise.
- Committee meets regularly mainly to fulfill the requirements of National Standards
- Committee meets annually to satisfy National Standards.

Composition of Aquatics Committee -- . Are the following represented on your Aquatics Committee
Check all that apply

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Adviser | <input type="checkbox"/> Representative from High Adventure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NCS-Trained Aquatics Person | <input type="checkbox"/> Representative from Cub Program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Camp Aq Dir | <input type="checkbox"/> Representative from specialty areas – such as kayaking, sailing or SCUBA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liaison from other council committee (such as Camping or Advancement) | <input type="checkbox"/> Liaison from other agencies -- such as Red Cross, YMCA, American Canoe Assoc. or PADI) |

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Using a scale of 5 – 0 (5=unequalled, 4=excellent, 3=good, 2=fair, 1=poor, 0=inactive) rate your Council's Aquatics Committee on its fulfillment of the following five recommended responsibilities.

Training -- Work with the Council Training Committee to provide aquatics training for adults and youth.

5	4	3	2	1	0
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Program -- Provide and promote a broad array of basic and high-adventure swimming and boating activities

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Advancement -- Provide advancement opportunities for youth.

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Safety -- Actively assess safe operation of Council and District led aquatics activities including summer camp and promote aquatics safety at the Unit level.

5	4	3	2	1	0
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Attraction, Development and Retention of Aquatic Leadership -- Develop and maintain enough qualified instructors, distributed throughout the council, to timely meet all local aquatic training needs.

5	4	3	2	1	0
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Directions for Pages 5, 6 and 7

For each activity or program in the left column check the box or boxes that describe how your council manages that activity.

Column 1 -- "Program managed by the **Council Aquatics Committee**"

Check this column if the activity is directed and monitored by your council's Aquatics Committee.

Column 2 -- "Program managed by **another Council Committee**"

Check this column if the activity is directed and monitored by a different committee within the council, such as the Camping Committee or the Advancement Committee.

Column 3 -- "Program managed by an **Independent Council Group**"

Check this column if there is a group of independent volunteers that monitors and manages the activity -- for instance, there might be a group of adult leaders that provides an annual Aquanaut instruction for the council.

Column 4 -- "Program is managed at the **District or Unit level**"

Many activities are conducted at this level -- for instance, 2nd Class aquatics instruction is usually conducted at a unit activity (and/or in summer camp)

Column 5 -- "Program is available through an **Outside Agency**"

Some agencies have similar programs which supplement or coincide with BSA programs -- for instance, Red Cross Lifeguarding or American Canoe Association Whitewater. Please don't check this column unless the council has an established agreement with that agency.

Column 6 -- "Program is available at **Summer Camp**"

Check this column if the activity is part of your normal summer camp program. Check this box even if another box is checked.

Column 7 -- "Program is **not available** In the Council"

Check this box if the activity is not available through the council -- for instance, most councils will not have had time to establish a program for instruction in Scuba Diving MB.

ADVANCEMENT PROGRAMS

Directions: For each activity listed below place an "X" in the column that best describes your council's participation for that activity.

	<i>Program managed by the Council Aquatics Committee</i>	<i>Program managed by another Council Committee</i>	<i>Program managed by an Independent Council Group</i>	<i>Program is managed at the District or Unit level</i>	<i>Program is available through An Outside Agency</i>	<i>Program is available at Summer Camp</i>	<i>Program is not available In the Council</i>
<i>Learn to Swim Program</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Cub Scout Aquatics Instruction</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Aquanaut Instruction</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>2nd Class Aq Instruction</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>1st Class Aq Instruction</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Swimming MB Instruction</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Lifesaving MB Instruction</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Rowing MB Instruction</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Canoeing MB Instruction</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Motorboating MB Instruction</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Small Boat Sailing MB Inst.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Water Sports MB Inst.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Whitewater MB Inst.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Scuba Diving MB Inst.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**INSTRUCTION,
RECREATION AND
AQUATICS LEADERSHIP
PROGRAMS**

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	<i>Program managed by the Council Aquatics Committee</i>	<i>Program managed by another Council Committee</i>	<i>Program managed by an Independent Council Group</i>	<i>Program is managed at the District or Unit level</i>	<i>Program is available through An Outside Agency</i>	<i>Program is available at Summer Camp</i>	<i>Program is not available In the Council</i>
<i>Safe Swim Defense Inst</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Safety Afloat Instrucion</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Swimming & Water Rescue Inst</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Paddle Craft Safety Inst.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>BSA Lifeguard Inst.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Mile Swim BSA</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Kayaking BSA</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Snorkeling BSA</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Scuba BSA</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Boardsailing BSA</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Canoe / Trek / 50 Miler</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Rowing / Crew</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Sailing / Sea Scout</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

AQUATICS SPECIALTY PROGRAMS

	<i>Program managed by the Council Aquatics Committee</i>	<i>Program managed by another Council Committee</i>	<i>Program managed by an Independent Council Group</i>	<i>Program is managed at the District or Unit level</i>	<i>Program is available through An Outside Agency</i>	<i>Program is available at Summer Camp</i>	<i>Program is not available In the Council</i>
<i>Whitewater Rafting</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Whitewater Kayaking</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Whitewater Canoeing</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Sea Kayaking</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Motorboating</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Surfing</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Waterskiing</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Wakeboarding</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Stand-Up Paddling</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Aquatics Week at Camp</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Tubing</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Blob / Iceberg, etc.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Waterslide / Zip Line / Rope Swing</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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BEST PRACTICES -- Please list below any programs or practices that you feel work well for your council. We're looking for special summer camp programs but especially any year-round programs you could share.

- [REDACTED]

INPUT AND FEEDBACK -- Please list below concerns or problems your council has had in understanding or implementing aquatics program or policies. What can we do to help your council?

- [REDACTED]

WISH LIST -- What do you wish you had from National? Again, look at the broad view – Cubs, Boy Scouts, Venturers and Adult Leadership.

- [REDACTED]