



## RWC Changes in 2021

The **RWC Manual** was updated in August 2020.

Review these key changes below (and in the manual). These changes are in the RWC refresher online theory module. **All RWC refreshers are completed online** (regardless of the club's opt in status) and has no practical component in 2021-2022.

| <b>RWC Manual Chapter</b>                             | <b>Key Changes</b>   |
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| <b>INTRO,<br/>EQUIPMENT &amp;<br/>FUEL</b>            | Risk Management added and SLSNZ policy of use clarified.<br>Images and labels updated for clarity and to provide information of latest RWC models.<br>Additional images and labels added to clarify connections, terminology and PPE required.<br>Fuelling PPE added.  |
| <b>COMMUNICATION<br/>and MARITIME<br/>REGULATIONS</b> | Images updated to show use of signals on an RWC.<br><br>MAJOR changes made in the Maritime Regulations section – review all content carefully – especially in terms of speed and 'reasonable excuse'.  |
| <b>RWC SET UP</b>                                     | RWC set up process rewritten to add more detail.   |
| <b>BASIC SKILLS<br/>and TECHNIQUES</b>                | RWC launching and recovery sections has been rewritten – read the full process carefully.<br>Images, terminology and expectations clarified throughout this chapter.<br>MAJOR change to the "returning to shore" section – review content carefully.<br>RWC capsize/mishap reporting requirements have been added.   |
| <b>RESCUES</b>  | New images added for all rescues to show processes.<br>Changes made to the "Presenting the rescue sled" and "wrist to wrist" rescue communication requirements.<br>Unconscious – solo rescue has had a full rewrite.<br>New 'Patient Pick Up' technique for "Unconscious patient rescue with crew" has been added – Leg Lock.<br>The "Patient Transfers" section has had a full rewrite – please read carefully. |
| <b>RWC<br/>CLOSEDOWN and<br/>OPERATIONS</b>           | Minor changes made to these two sections   |