



Statement on Epilepsy

The ARA Medical Committee has advised that

'rowers and coxswains with Epilepsy should not be allowed on the water when there is a significant risk of further seizures.

In line with the recommendations of the DVLA, this period of significant risk is defined as within one year following a fit and whilst reducing medication, and for six months after stopping it.

In these cases, where there is significant risk of further seizures, rowers and coxswains should not be allowed on the water, **except where there is a special individualised risk assessment of the rower and the event.**

Equally coaches driving launches should follow this advice.'

Medical Sub-committee
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