4. Swim in the recommended zone.

La Baignade du Rhône is a shallow zone (see map below) where the current slows down and that’s out of the way of boats.

But do take care: it’s still not danger-free!

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The Rhône is a dangerous river that regularly takes the lives of victims. To minimize the risks, swim in the recommended area and follow our guidelines.

1. Stay dry when you’re not at your best.

In the Rhône, one weakness can cost you dearly. Here are 4 frequent causes of accidents:

- Having consumed alcohol or drugs
- Having a full stomach
- Overestimating physical or swimming ability
- Being in poor shape
- Good swimmers have been taken by surprise. Stay on guard!

2. Be aware of dangers.

Swimming in our beautiful river is like being in high mountain areas. There are many dangers and it’s important to be prepared.

- Strong unpredictable currents
- Rapid temperature drops
- Boats that can pull you under or hit you
- Variations in depth
- Unexpected dangerous objects
- Risk of a rocky bottom

3. Never swim alone

It’s a big mistake to go in the water alone or without telling anyone. Get in the habit of:

- Swimming with someone else
- Tell your friends if you’re going in the water
- Stay in the swimming zone
- Call emergency services and indicate the position of someone in trouble
- Keep children away from the Rhône

Swim at your own risk. The State of Geneva and its partners decline any responsibility in the event of an accident.