

PUBLIC NOTICE
DECLARATION OF BOATING ACTIVITY EXEMPTION

Parks Victoria as the declared waterway manager for the Local Port of Port Phillip, makes the following declaration under section 203(3) of the *Marine Safety Act 2010* (Vic).

For the purposes of boating activity conducted by the Mentone Life Saving Club, persons and vessels involved in the Mentone Open Water Marathon are exempt from the following requirements:

State Rules made under the *Marine Act 1988*

1. Clause 2(a) – must not exceed 5 knots within 50 metres of a person in the water
2. Clause 2(c) – must not exceed 5 knots within 50 metres of another vessel
3. Clause 4(a) – must not exceed 5 knots within 200 metres of the water's edge
4. Clause 4(b) – must not exceed 5 knots within 50 metres of a wharf, jetty, slipway, diving platform or boat ramp except in an access lane

Waterway Rules made under the *Marine Safety Act 2010* / *Marine Act 1988*

5. Clause 1.2.7 of Schedule 1 – 5-knot speed restriction zone of East Port Phillip – Mentone
6. Clause 1.2.9(a) of Schedule 1 – area prohibited to vessels at Mentone
7. Clause 1.2.12(b) of Schedule 1 – the master of a personal watercraft must not operate the personal watercraft for any purpose other than transiting in the safest most direct course to, or from the shore and/or boat ramp or berthing facility (including a jetty, pier or mooring), whilst operating within designated 5 knot speed restriction zone

Subject to the conditions detailed below:

- Masters of rescue vessels are only exempt from item 1 to 5 when undertaking a rescue operation to retrieve persons in distress, provide for their initial medical or other needs and deliver them to a place of safety on shore.
- Masters of rescue vessels are only exempt from items 6 and 7 for the duration of the event.
- Occupants of powered rescue vessels (including personal watercraft) involved with the event must wear a lifejacket at all times during the event and vessels must have all prescribed safety equipment.
- The exemptions apply from 7:30am to 12:30pm on Saturday 16 March 2024 to persons and vessels involved in the Mentone Open Water Marathon within the event waters adjacent to the Mentone Life Saving Club.
- The exemptions apply provided the stated safety controls and undertakings detailed in the application form and associated documentation are adhered to.

Parks Victoria Dated: Click or tap to enter a date.