

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 Point Lonsdale Surf Life Saving Club, persons and vessels involved in the Rip View Swim Classic 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

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

4. Clause 1.4.7 of Schedule 1 – 5 knot speed restriction area within 200 metres of the water's edge - South West Port Phillip
5. Clause 1.4.12(c) of Schedule 1 – the master of a personal watercraft must not operate the personal watercraft: in an irregular riding manner, and for any purpose other than transiting in the safest most direct course to, or from the shore and/or a boat ramp or berthing facility (including a jetty, pier or mooring), whilst operating within designated 5 knot speed restriction zones

Subject to the conditions detailed below:

- Masters of rescue vessels (including personal watercraft) are exempt from items 1 to 4 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, and must adhere to speed and distance rules at all other times.
- Masters of rescue personal watercraft are only exempt from item 5 for the duration of the event.
- Masters of all rescue vessels (including personal watercraft) involved with the event must wear a lifejacket at all times during the event, and all rescue vessels (including personal watercraft) must have all prescribed safety equipment.
- The exemptions apply from 6:00am to 5:00pm on Friday 3 January 2025 to the persons and vessels involved in the Rip View Swim Classic within the Set Aside waters - Lonsdale Bay, between Santa Casa Beach, Queenscliff and Point Lonsdale Front Beach extending 200 to 400 metres from shore following the coastline, as marked by buoys.
- The exemptions apply provided the stated safety controls and undertakings detailed in the application form and associated documentation are adhered to.

Parks Victoria

Dated: 2nd December 2024