

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 USM Events Pty Ltd persons and vessels involved in the Ironman 70.3 Melbourne are exempt from the following requirements:

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

1. Clause 1.1.9 (d) of Schedule 1 – area prohibited to vessels at St Kilda Beach.
2. Clause 1.1.12 (a) of Schedule 1 – 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 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 vessels providing rescue services must ensure they comply with the gazetted waterway rules and *Marine Safety Act 2010* in respect to minimum speed and distance requirements, unless otherwise 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 and support vessels (including PWCs) are exempt from items 1 for the duration of the event
- Masters of PWC rescue vessels are exempt from item 2 for the duration of the event
- Masters and crew of rescue vessels (including PWCs) 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 6:00am to 8:00am on Sunday 8 November 2026 within the waters off St Kilda Beach, 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.

By order of Parks Victoria

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