



PUBLIC NOTICE DECLARATION OF BOATING ACTIVITY EXEMPTION

Hindmarsh Shire Council as the declared waterway manager for the Wimmera River (within the Shire of Hindmarsh), makes the following declaration under section 203(3) of the *Marine Safety Act 2010* (Vic).

For the purposes of boating activity conducted by Dimboola Boat and Water Ski Club Inc. on the waters of the Wimmera River at Dimboola, persons and vessels involved in the S.A. Barefoot State Titles and the 'Peter Taylor Tribute Night Jump' 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 – applies to nominated towing vessels and rescue vessels;
2. Clause 2(c) – must not exceed 5 knots within 50 metres of another vessel – applies to nominated towing vessels and rescue vessels;
3. Clause 3(a) – must not exceed 5 knots within 50 metres of the waters' edge – applies to nominated towing vessels and rescue vessels;
4. Clause 3(b) – must not exceed 5 knots within 50 metres of a fixed or floating structure – applies to nominated towing vessels and rescue vessels;
5. Clause 19(c) – restriction on towing a person between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise – applies to nominated towing vessels.

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

6. Clause 68.2(c) of Schedule 68 – 5 knot speed restriction on the Wimmera River – applies to nominated towing vessels and rescue vessels.

Conditions

This declaration is subject to the conditions detailed below:

- The masters of nominated towing vessels are exempt from items 1-4 and 6 for the duration of the event, provided only one nominated towing vessel/competitor is on the water at a time within the exclusion zone waters.
- The masters of nominated towing vessels are only exempt from item 5 when towing nominated skiers (limited to accredited barefoot water skiers who are highly skilled and competent in this activity) participating in the Tribute Night Jump only.
- The masters of rescue vessels are only exempt from items 1-4 and 6 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.

- All participants on vessels involved with the event must wear a personal flotation device at all times during the event and vessels, including rescue vessels must have all prescribed safety equipment.
- The above exemptions are active from 9:00am to 6:00pm on 1 November 2018, 7:30am to 6:00pm on 2 November 2018, 7:30am to midnight on 3 November 2018, and 8:00am to 12:00pm on 4 November 2018, within the exclusion zone waters of the Wimmera River at Dimboola, between the Wimmera Street Bridge and the Lloyd Street boat ramp as marked by floating buoy ropes, provided the stated safety controls and undertakings detailed in the application form and associated documentation are adhered to.

BY ORDER OF THE HINDMARSH SHIRE COUNCIL

Greg Wood

Chief Executive Officer

Dated:05/10/2018
