



VICTORIAN NOTICE TO MARINERS

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LOCAL PORT OF BARWON HEADS

BARWON RIVER, Barwon Heads Sailing Association Events Exemption from certain rules

Date: Effective from 26 December 2021

Details:

Mariners are advised that: Barwon Heads Sailing Association organised and scheduled boating activity events in the Barwon River north of the Barwon Heads Bridge, part of the waters of the Local Port of Barwon Heads from 26 December 2021 to 15 May 2022 are exempt from certain rules of the Marine Safety Act, *Marine Safety Regulations 2012* (Vic) and the waterway rules as detailed here;

1. Vessels associated with the Barwon Heads Sailing Association 2021 - 2022 calendar events are exempt from the requirements to operate a vessel at a speed not exceeding 5 knots:
 - (i) within 50 metres of another vessel;
 - (ii) within 200 metres of the waters' edge;
 - (iii) within 50 metres of wharf, jetty, slipway, diving platform or boat ramp
 - (iv) within the 5 knot speed restriction zoneas detailed in clauses 2(c), 4(a), 4(b) and clause 10.1 of Schedule 10 of the Vessel Operating and Zoning Rules.
2. The exemptions in clause 1 above will apply only to operators and vessels associated with the event which are noted on a list of member participants maintained by Barwon Heads Sailing Association.

The exemptions apply for **only** the dates and times in Barwon Heads Sailing Association 2021-2022 calendar of events as attached in this notice;

- BHSA Summer Schedule 2021 - 2022
- BHSA Riversholme / Easter Race schedule 2022

Mariners are advised to exercise caution when navigating in the Barwon River.

Mariners are further advised to monitor the forming wave conditions on the approach to the river entry at all times, mariners should be aware of submerged reef areas, Formby reef to the east and the fringing reef of the Barwon Head to the west.

**Charts &
Publications
Affected:**

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Publications affected:**

Schedule 10 Vessel Operating and Zoning Rules

Further Notice:

No further notice will be issued. This notice will be self-cancelling on 15 May 2022

This Notice to Mariners is issued by the Barwon Coast Committee of Management Inc. delegated Local Port Manager for the Department of Transport. If you require any further information, please contact Barwon Coast on (03) 5254 1118.

Victorian Notices to Mariners can also be viewed on the Barwon Coast website www.barwoncoast.com.au or on the Victorian Regional Channel Authority (VRCA) website www.vrca.vic.gov.au

**G.W. McPIKE
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Barwon Coast Committee of Management Inc.**

**PUBLIC NOTICE
DECLARATION OF BOATING ACTIVITY EXEMPTION**

Barwon Coast Committee of Management as the declared waterway manager for Local Port of Barwon Heads, makes the following declaration under section 203(3) of the *Marine Safety Act 2010* (Vic).

For the purposes of boating activity conducted by Barwon Heads Sailing Association, persons and vessels involved in the Barwon Heads Sailing Association 2021/22 Race Schedule are exempt from the following requirements:

State Rules made under the *Marine Act 1988*

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

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

4. Clause 10.1 of Schedule 10 – 5 knot speed restriction on the waters of the Local Port of Barwon Heads.

Subject to the conditions detailed below:

- Masters of the rescue vessels are only exempt from 1-4 in the above list 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 participating vessels are exempt from 2-4 in the above list when engaging in competition and item 1 only when operating within 50 metres of another competing vessel. Participating vessels are those noted on a current membership list maintained by Barwon Heads Sailing Association.
- The exemptions apply for the dates tabled below in the Barwon Heads Sailing Association Race Schedule between 26 December 2021 and 15 May 2022.
- The exemptions apply provided the stated safety controls and undertakings detailed in the application form and associated documentation are adhered to.

BY ORDER OF BARWON COAST COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT INC

Dated: 24 December 2021

BHSA RACE SCHEDULES 2021-2022

Race events begin one hour prior to the charted high tide of the day

Race events are usually targeted for 2 hours duration, dependant on wind conditions

SUMMER 2021 / 2022		RIVERSHOLME / EASTER 2022
Date	Date	Date
Sun 26/12/21	Thu 13/1/22	Sun 30/1/22
Mon 27/12/21	Fri 14/1/22	Sun 13/2/22
Tue 28/12/21	Sat 15/1/22	Sun 20/2/22
Thu 30/12/21	Sun 16/1/22	Sun 6/3/22
Fri 31/12/21	Mon 17/1/22	Sun 20/3/22
Sat 1/1/22	Tue 18/1/22	Sun 3/4/22
Sun 2/1/22	Wed 19/1/22	Fri 15/4/22
Mon 3/1/22	Thu 20/1/22	Sat 16/4/22
Tue 4/1/22	Fri 21/1/22	Sun 17/4/22
Wed 5/1/22	Sat 22/1/22	Mon 18/4/22
Thu 6/1/23	Sun 23/1/22	Sun 1/5/22
Fri 7/1/22	Mon 24/1/22	Sun 15/5/22
Sat 8/1/22	Tue 25/1/22	
Sun 9/1/22	Wed 26/1/22	
Mon 10/1/22		
Tue 11/1/22		