

PUBLIC NOTICE

**DECLARATION OF BOATING ACTIVITY EXEMPTION
*Marine Safety Act 2010 (Vic)***

I, Chris Banks, Executive Director Safety Strategy and Regulation and delegate of Safe Transport Victoria, make the following declaration under section 203(3) of the *Marine Safety Act 2010 (Vic)*.

For the purposes of boating activity conducted by the Nagambie Waterski Club on the waters of the Goulburn River, persons and vessels involved in the 2024-2025 Nagambie Waterski Club Events 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.

Subject to the conditions detailed below:

- Masters of rescue vessels are only exempt from items 1 and 2 when undertaking a rescue operation to retrieve a person in distress, provide for their initial medical or other needs and deliver them to a place of safety on shore.
- All participants and occupants of vessels involved with the event must wear a lifejacket at all times during the event and vessels must have all prescribed safety equipment, including rescue vessels.
- Should vessels not involved in the event enter the competition area, the event must be stopped until the unauthorised vessel or person has moved outside of the area.
- The exemptions apply for the dates and times as detailed in Table 1, to the persons and vessels registered to participate in the Nagambie Water Ski Club Events on the Goulburn River.
- The exemptions apply provided the stated safety controls and undertakings detailed in the application form and associated documentation are adhered to.

Table 1 Nagambie Waterski Club Events

Date	Time
23 November 2024	8:00am – 5:00pm
7 December 2024	
4 January 2025	
18 January 2025	
8 February 2025	
22 February 2025	

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