

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

I, ANIL CHADHA, Deputy Director, Operations and delegate of the Director, Transport Safety, make the following declaration under section 203(3) of the *Marine Safety Act 2010* (Vic).

For the purposes of boating activity conducted by South West Race Management on the waters between Torquay and Barwon Heads, persons and vessels involved in The Impossible Paddle Race 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 metres of another vessel.
2. Clause 4(a) – must not exceed 5 knots within 200 metres of the waters' edge.

Waterway Rules made under the *Marine Safety Act 2010*

3. Clause 11.3 of Schedule 11 – exclusive use and special purpose area for vessels powered solely by sail only.

Subject to the conditions detailed below:

- Masters of competing vessels and rescue vessels are only exempt from 1 to 3 in the above list for the duration of the event.
- All participants on vessels involved with the event must wear a personal flotation device at all times during the event and vessels must have all prescribed safety equipment, including rescue vessels.
- All competitors must have a leg leash attached to a fixed point on their craft and the competitor's leg (this must be removed before entering a surf zone).
- All competitors must have a race number affixed securely to the left side of their craft on the bow, and this must include the contact details of the event chief safety officer.
- Should vessels not involved in the event enter the competition area, event competitors must slow down and not exceed 5 knots within 50 metres of a non-competing vessel.
- The above exemption apply for the duration of the event from 8:00am to 1:30pm on Saturday 30 November 2019 (back-up date of 1 December 2019) to the persons and vessels participating in The Impossible Paddle Race on the ocean between Fisherman's Beach, Torquay and Barwon Heads, provided the stated safety controls and undertakings detailed in the application form and associated documentation are adhered to.

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