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## PUBLIC NOTICE DECLARATION OF BOATING ACTIVITY EXEMPTION

Parks Victoria as the declared waterway manager for Yarra River upstream of the port waters of the Port of Melbourne, makes the following declaration under section 203(3) of the *Marine Safety Act 2010* (Vic).

For the purposes of boating activity conducted by the University of Melbourne, persons and vessels involved in the University of Melbourne Inter-Collegiate Regatta 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
3. Clause 3(a) – must not exceed 5 knots within 50 metres of the water's edge
4. Clause 3(b) – must not exceed 5 knots within 50 metres of a fixed or floating structure

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

5. Clause 3.1 of Schedule 3 – 5 knot speed restriction on waters of the Yarra River.

### ***Marine Safety Regulations 2012***

6. Regulation 96(6) – Master requirement to carry PFD on vessel on inland waters for each person onboard
7. Regulation 100(3) – persons on vessels must wear a PFD of type specified at all times when underway on inland water

Subject to the conditions detailed below:

- Masters of competing vessels are only exempt from 2 to 7 in the above list when competing in the event
- Masters of rescue vessels are only exempt from item 1 to 5 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.
- Occupants of rescue and official vessels must wear a PFD at all times and vessels must have all prescribed safety equipment.
- Rescue boats must carry additional floatation devices to support persons that may be required to be rescued.
- The exemptions apply from 6:00am to 11:30am on Saturday 13 May 2023 within the exclusion zone waters – Yarra River between upstream edge of the VRA landing and Church Street Bridge.
- 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**

Dated: 11/05/2023

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**Marine Safety Act 2010  
Section 208(2)  
NOTICE OF BOATING ACTIVITY EXCLUSION ZONE**

Parks Victoria as the declared waterway manager for Yarra River upstream of the port waters of the Port of Melbourne hereby gives notice under section 208(2) of the *Marine Safety Act 2010 (Vic)* that all persons and vessels not registered to take part in the University of Melbourne Inter-Collegiate Regatta are prohibited from entering and remaining in the following waters.

Waters of the Yarra River – between a straight line from the upstream edge of the VRA landing across to the Northern Bank extending to the upstream edge of Church Street Bridge.

The exclusion zone will be in effect from 6:00am to 11:30am on Saturday 13 May 2023.

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