

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

Safe Transport Victoria makes the following declaration under section 203(3) of the *Marine Safety Act 2010 (Vic)*.

For the purposes of boating activity conducted by Lorne Surf Life Saving Club on the waters of Louttit Bay, Lorne, persons and vessels involved in the Powercor Lorne Pier to Pub Swim 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 4(a) – must not exceed 5 knots within 200 metres of the water's edge
4. Clause 4(b) – must not exceed 5 knots within 50 metres of a wharf, jetty, slipway, diving platform or boat ramp
5. Clause 19(a) – an observer must be used when towing a person

***Marine Safety Regulations 2023***

6. Regulation 60 – Master must not engage in towing unless an observer is on board

Subject to the conditions detailed below:

- Masters of rescue vessels (including PWCs) are only exempt from items 1 to 4 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, and must adhere to speed and distance rules at all other times.
- Masters of PWC rescue/safety vessels are exempt from items 5 to 6 for the duration of the event and when retrieving or rescuing a person during the event.
- Masters and occupants of IRB rescue vessels (including PWCs) involved with the event must wear a lifejacket at all times during the event and PWC vessels must have all prescribed safety equipment.
- Masters of mechanically powered LSV vessels up to and including 4.8 metres in length (other than personal watercraft) operated by Life Saving Victoria outside visual range of a staffed lifesaving facility or flagged area are exempt from the carriage of specified safety equipment providing a Life Saving Victoria approved communications radio is carried on board and occupants wear a Lifejacket at all times, as per the Exemptions for Life Saving Victoria vessels in Exemption Notice 1.
- The exemptions apply from 11:00am to 4:00pm on Saturday 11 January 2025 to persons and vessels involved in the Powercor Lorne Pier to Pub Swim within the exclusion zone waters – Louttit Bay, Lorne, west of an imaginary line extending from the furthest point of the Lorne Pier to a point approximately 500 metres north of the Lorne Surf Life Saving Club, at the Rock Groyne.
- The exemptions apply provided the stated safety controls and undertakings detailed in the application form and associated documentation are adhered to.



**BROCK ANDERSON**  
A/Manager Safety Assurance  
Delegate of Safe Transport Victoria  
8/11/2024



**Marine Safety Act 2010**

Section 208(1)

**NOTICE SPECIFYING AN ACTIVITY EXCLUSION ZONE**

I, Brock Anderson, Acting Manager Safety Assurance, acting in my capacity as delegate of Safe Transport Victoria, pursuant to section 208(1) of the Marine Safety Act 2010 by this notice prohibit all persons and vessels not registered to take part in the Powercor Lorne Pier to Pub Swim, from entering and remaining in the following State waters.

Waters of Louttit Bay - west of an imaginary line extending from the furthest point of the Lorne Pier (38° 32.7981' S, 143° 59.3214' E) to a point approximately 500 metres north of the Lorne Surf Life Saving Club, at the Rock Groyne (38° 32.2362' S, 143° 58.6836' E).

The exclusion zone will be in effect from 7:00am to 4:00pm on Saturday 11 January 2025.

Ref: 1574-2024-BAE

Dated: 8/11/2024

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brock Anderson", is written over a horizontal line.

**BROCK ANDERSON**

AI Manager, Safety Assurance  
Delegate of Safe Transport Victoria