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## SAFE TRANSPORT VICTORIA

### Marine Safety Act 2010

#### Section 259 (1)

#### ADMINISTRATIVE AMENDMENTS

I, Kate Maheras, Director Maritime Safety (as delegate of (delegate of Safe Transport Victoria)), make the following administrative amendments to the Notices made under the **Marine Act 1988** as published in the Victoria Government Gazette S 221 28 June 2012. These amendments are made under the general power of Safe Transport Victoria under section 259 of the **Marine Safety Act 2010** as necessary or convenient to document the management status and Schedule number for Watchem Lake, and publication of the waterway rules for Watchem Lake.

After Clause 25 of the Notice in the 'Index to Schedules' (as published in the Victoria Government Gazette S 221 on 28 June 2012, after

- Waranga Basin, and before Wathe Wildlife Reserve (all waters) insert the words.  
Under Waters: Watchem Lake  
Under Waterway Manager: Unmanaged, and  
Under Sch: 159

After Schedule 158 in Schedules of the Notice (as published in the Victoria Government Gazette S 221 on 28 June 2012, insert the Waterway Rule for Watchem Lake.

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# SAFE TRANSPORT VICTORIA

## Marine Safety Act 2010

Section 184 (1A) (b)

### WATERWAY RULE

I, Kate Maheras, Director, Maritime Safety, (delegate of Safe Transport Victoria), make the following waterway rule under section 184(1A) (b) of the **Marine Safety Act 2010**.

#### **SCHEDULE 158: Watchem Lake**

Waterway Manager: Unmanaged

Vessel Operating and Zoning Rules for water levels of 1.2 metres depth and above as marked by the depth marker at the boat ramp.

#### **159.3. Excluded speed limit for the purposes of Clause 3(a).**

The waters of Watchem Lake that are not otherwise declared to be speed restriction zone or area prohibited to vessels are not subject to the requirement of Clause 3(a) of the Notice (5 knots within 50 metres of the water's edge).

#### **159.7. Five (5) knot speed restriction zone for the purposes of Clause 7.**

The following waters of Watchem Lake are subject to a speed restriction of five (5) knots:

- (a) the waters of Watchem Lake within 30 metres of the outer shore, that are not otherwise declared to be areas prohibited to vessels, are subject to a speed restriction of five (5) knots;
- (b) all the waters of Watchem Lake, that are not otherwise declared to be areas prohibited to vessels, are subject to a five (5) knot speed limit between sunset and sunrise (times as determined by the Bureau of Meteorology).

#### **159.9. Areas prohibited to vessels for the purposes of Clause 9.**

The following waters of Watchem Lake are prohibited to vessels:

- a) An area on the eastern shore 105 metres south of the formal boat ramp and adjacent to the undercover picnic area as marked by a set of signs<sup>1, 2</sup> onshore approximately 15 metres apart and extending out 30 metres to a set of buoys<sup>3, 4</sup>.
- b) An area on the south-eastern shore 34 metres south of the informal boat ramp and adjacent to the playground, marked by a set of signs<sup>5, 6</sup> onshore approximately 25 metres apart and extending out 30 metres to a set of buoys<sup>7, 8</sup>.

Vessel Operating and Zoning Rules for water levels below 1.2 metres depth as marked by the depth marker at the boat ramp

#### **159.7(i). Five (5) knot speed restriction zone for the purposes of Clause 7.**

All the waters of Watchem Lake are subject to a speed restriction of five (5) knots excluding the areas prohibited to vessels.

#### **159.9(i). Areas prohibited to vessels for the purposes of Clause 9.**

The following waters of Watchem Lake are prohibited to vessels:

- a) An area on the eastern shore 105 metres south of the formal boat ramp and adjacent to the undercover picnic area as marked by a set of signs<sup>1, 2</sup> onshore approximately 15 metres apart and extending out 30 metres to a set of buoys<sup>3, 4</sup>.
- b) An area on the south-eastern shore 34 metres south of the informal boat ramp and adjacent to the playground, marked by a set of signs<sup>5, 6</sup> onshore approximately 25 metres apart and extending out 30 metres to a set of buoys<sup>7, 8</sup>.

Table 1: Actual Location (WGS 84) – Degrees Decimal Minutes

This table shows the actual location (WGS 84) in degrees decimal minutes of each asset. Assets may include navigational aids (fixed or non-fixed or on/off water), or points.

Asset #	Latitude	Longitude
1	36° 08.7838' S	142° 50.8631' E
2	36° 08.7682' S	142° 50.8597' E
3	36° 08.7822' S	142° 50.8449' E
4	36° 08.7690' S	142° 50.8462' E
5	36° 08.9054' S	142° 50.8333' E
6	36° 08.8912' S	142° 50.8469' E
7	36° 08.8924' S	142° 50.8181' E
8	36° 08.8831' S	142° 50.8267' E

Assets, regardless of their position on/off water are surveyed to +/- 2.0 m. Water-based non fixed assets (e.g. buoys) are surveyed to the above accuracy but due to movement of buoys due to tides, chain length, water depth and weather conditions at the time, the accuracy of any such positions may be considered to be within the range of +/- 8.0 m.

This notice has effect from the time of publication.

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Dated 7 December 2023

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Delegate of Safe Transport Victoria

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