

Point Score 1 information for racing.

Dear Members

1/9/15

Since our last point score there have been some changes made due to compliance with Transport Safety Victoria. All boats now have to comply with state maritime laws which means boats must have a fire extinguisher of the correct size,

- If your boat holds over 115L of fuel up to 350L of fuel **one** 2 kg extinguisher must be securely mounted in the boat,
- Over 350L **one** 4kg unit.
- All boats must carry a bucket and lanyard as well as having a working bilge pump.
- You must have a working torch.
- Remember if only 1 person in the boat you must wear your life jacket correctly fastened.

We have exemptions for lifeline driver's jackets and some wet suits that do not have Australian standard markings on them. However the exemptions cease at 6pm on race days.

We also have an exemption for bow riding, but boats can only travel at 4 knots to start line with skier/s on the deck. We are looking at whether 7 or 10 min hooter and will advise.

Helmets- as SRA has a new rule on wearing of helmets this means that all must be on when leaving the shore and can be removed if you stop well off course and racing line or when you have finished in the centre of the course. You do not have to wear on return to shore. The helmet is the only part of your safety gear that can be removed, so all wetsuits to remain fastened, gloves and footwear to be worn in the boat as per SRA rules.

Fire Resistant footwear and gloves to be worn by ALL INBOARD CREWS. Footwear must be worn in all boats as per SRA rules and checks will be made.

In Victoria SMOKING is banned within 10m of a sporting event, so for us that is within 10m of the water and 10m of playgrounds, so that is 10m from the sand pit at the boat club.

Ski Racing Australia has appointed a new partner to provide random drug testing at SRA events for the 2015/16 season. SRA are pleased to announce "Drug Free in Sport" as the sports safety testing partner for the season. The Illicit Drugs in Sport (Safety Testing) Policy has been updated in readiness of the season and can be viewed under the policies section of the SRA website.

Competitors please review the policy and take note of the need to gain medical exemption and present this prior to the race should you believe your prescription medication may trigger a non-negative result for a banned substance

Please ensure you pay boat your sanctioning fee (\$45) and the new SRA competitor levy (\$15) for the weekend in the registration period BEFORE racing.

SRV now have Credit Card/ Eftpos facilities available on race days for members.

Please read and make yourself familiar with the Notice to Crew Book on the web site for more information regarding point score scheduling times and regulations.

Point score 2 has been moved from Lake Boga to Lake Kangaroo on the 19th and 20th of September.

