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SECTION 15 NOTICE

I, Peter Corcoran, the Director, Maritime Safety (as delegate of the Director, Transport Safety), on the recommendation of Glenn Reddick, Manager Infrastructure Services, Warrnambool City Council (Waterway Manager for Hopkins River between the seaward outlet and Tooram Stones), hereby give notice under section 15(1) of the **Marine Act 1988** that from the publication of this notice:

1. The rules regulating the operation of vessels on the waters of Hopkins River between the seaward outlet and Tooram Stones set out in Schedule 22 of Notice No. 1 under section 15(2) of the **Marine Act 1988** are hereby revoked; and
2. Replaced by the following rules regulating the operation of vessels on the waters of Hopkins River between the seaward outlet and Tooram Stones.

SCHEDULE 22

WATERS – HOPKINS RIVER BETWEEN THE SEAWARD OUTLET AND TOORAM STONES

Waterway Manager – Warrnambool City Council

Definitions

Area A – Upstream of a beacon 250 metres west of Mahoneys Road Boat Ramp and a beacon on the opposite shore, to Tooram Stones.

Area B – Between a beacon 250 metres west of Mahoneys Road Boat Ramp and a beacon on the opposite shore, to an imaginary line extending from the centreline of Bostock Street marked by beacons on opposite shores, excluding the Transit Lane.

Area C – Downstream of an imaginary line extending from the centreline of Bostock Street marked by beacons on opposite shores, to the seaward outlet.

Transit Lane – The length of Area B extending 50 metres from the southern bank and marked by buoys.

1. Excluded speed limit for the purposes of Clause 3(a).
Between 9.30 am and sunset the waters of Hopkins River along the northern bank of Area B is excluded from the provisions of Clause 3(a) of this notice.
2. Five (5) knot speed restriction zones for the purposes of Clause 7.
The following waters of Hopkins River are subject to a speed restriction of 5 knots:
 - (a) between sunset and 9.30 am all of the waters of Hopkins River between the seaward outlet and Tooram Stones.
 - (b) between 9.30 am and sunset:
 - (i) The waters of Hopkins River defined as Area C.
 - (ii) The waters of Hopkins River defined as the Transit Lane.
3. Ten (10) knot speed restriction zones for the purposes of Clause 7.
Between 9.30 am and sunset the waters of Hopkins River defined as Area A are subject to a speed restriction of 10 knots.

SPECIAL

4. Prohibition on specific activities for the purposes of Clause 12.
A person must not anchor, moor or cause to be anchored or moored any vessel or obstruction -
- (a) in the Transit Lane (except in an emergency);
 - (b) in Area B between 9.30 am and sunset when towed sports and slalom skiing vessels are operating;
 - (c) for longer than 24 hours unless by permission in writing given by the Warrnambool City Council.
5. Special Purpose area for the purposes of Clause 13.
Between 9.30 am and sunset the waters of Hopkins River defined as Area B is subject to the following conditions when towed sports and slalom skiing vessels are operating:
- (a) Vessel transiting the zone not engaged in towed sports, must keep to the southern bank as far as practical at a maximum speed of 5 knots;
 - (b) Vessels must not exceed 5 knots within 50 metres of any other vessel;
 - (c) The slalom course is in effect only when red flags are displayed on buoys at either end of the course;
 - (d) Vessels not engaged in slalom skiing must slow to 5 knots within 50 metres of a vessel engaged in slalom skiing on the slalom course;
 - (e) Only one vessel on the slalom course at a time.

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Dated 1 June 2012

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Transport Safety Victoria

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