

GOULBURN-MURRAY  
WATER



# LAKE EILDON HOUSEBOAT INFORMATION FOLDER



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# 1. BACKGROUND

## Lake Eildon

Eildon Dam is located on the Goulburn River, immediately below the confluence with the Delatite River, adjacent to the Eildon township.

The lake extends over an area of some 13,830 hectares and is the main storage for the Goulburn Irrigation System, the oldest and most highly developed system in Australia.

The original storage at Eildon was known as Sugarloaf Reservoir and was built by the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission between 1915 and 1927. It was later modified in 1929 and again in 1935, resulting in a storage capacity of 377,000 megalitres.

However, Sugarloaf Reservoir was limited in its capacity to meet the growing demand for water in the Goulburn Valley and moreover to provide protection to farmers during drought years.

The State Rivers and Water Supply Commission enlarged the dam between 1952 and 1955 to its present capacity and renamed it Lake Eildon. A new embankment 79.25 metres high was constructed, immediately downstream of the original dam, to impound 3,392,000 megalitres.

The prime function of Lake Eildon is to provide security of water supply to some 250,000 hectares of irrigation land in the Goulburn Murray Irrigation District. Some 25% of Victoria's agricultural production is dependent on Lake Eildon.

## Eildon Houseboats

Eildon has been a popular destination for holiday makers for many years and has been the home of a substantial houseboat fleet since the early 1960s. The first houseboat regulations were proclaimed in 1971 with licensing being introduced in the same year.

A houseboat is defined as "any boat containing a toilet or sleeping accommodation". Lake Eildon is the only Goulburn-Murray Water storage on which houseboats and cabin cruisers with sleeping accommodation are permitted. There are approximately 700 houseboats licenced to operate on Lake Eildon.

In addition to the above boats there are a small number of houseboats which use the lake under the short term licence system.

All of these boats must have sewage containment systems in line with the Lake Eildon Houseboat Regulations.

## 2. DISTRIBUTION LIST

### Lake Eildon Houseboat Information Folder

1. Eildon Office - Reception
2. Eildon Public Use Management
3. Eildon Reservoir Controller
4. Goulburn Headworks Manager
5. Licensing & Leasing Tatura
6. Eildon Boat Club
7. Lake Eildon Marina
8. Darlingford Marina
9. Jerusalem Creek Marina
10. Peppin Point Houseboats
11. Eildon Houseboats P/L (Philip Prouse)
12. Eildon Engineering
13. CK Services
14. Eildon Outboard Service
15. Neil Little Luxury Houseboats
16. Anchorage Houseboats

This is your copy of the Lake Eildon Houseboat Information Folder. There have been 16 copies of this information folder produced for Goulburn-Murray Water staff, houseboats marina operators and houseboat building/maintenance companies. You will notice that your copy has a number on it (bottom centre of cover), which is allocated to you. When updates are made, the pages will be copied and distributed to you. It is your responsibility to update the information folder allocated to you.

### Changes to Forms

Some of the frequently used forms have been updated during production of this folder. Older versions of these forms should be discarded, and copies of the new forms used in their place. The new forms are:

- Application to licence, operate or leave a houseboat within the Lake Eildon Recreation Area;
- Application for Lake Eildon restricted term permit;
- Application for transfer of houseboat licence; and
- Compulsory houseboat inspection form.
- Application to launch or remove a houseboat from Jerusalem Creek

***A disk containing a digital copy of this document has also been included.***

### 3. GENERAL INFORMATION

Goulburn-Murray Rural Water Authority is responsible for the licensing of all houseboats for operation within the Lake Eildon Recreation Area.

Persons intending to replace their licensed houseboat with a newly constructed houseboat may apply for a construction permit by forwarding an application form, together with the proposed plans and appropriate fees to the Authority prior to commencing any construction of a houseboat.

The approval of these plans may commit the Authority to the issue of a Houseboat Licence subject to the boats construction in accordance with the following conditions and the prior payment of all relevant fees and charges.

#### **The Size of a Houseboat:**

- must not exceed 13.7 metres in length; and
- must not exceed two-fifths of the length of a houseboat in width, up to a maximum of 5.48 meters in width.

#### **A walkway:**

- may be hinged, bolted or welded as part of the structure of the houseboat;
- may be up to a maximum of 300 mm width;
- may be level with the houseboat deck; and
- will not be included in the overall width of the houseboat.

#### **A bumper:**

- may be a protecting appendage added to the structure of the houseboat;
- must be 75mm or less, in maximum width;
- may be added to the full circumference of the houseboat, without the extra width being included in the overall width of the houseboat;
- may be added to the fixed walkway and must be bolted/screwed/glued to the side of the walkway; and
- materials used must be timber, plastic or rubber.

#### **A duckboard:**

- must be a clear extension and not part of the structure of the houseboat;
- may be hinged, bolted or welded to the houseboat, with the exception of Category 1 licensed boats which must be hinged and therefore removable;
- may be fixed to the front or rear of the houseboat, (there is a limit of one duckboard per houseboat);
- must be no longer than 1.5 metres;
- must be equal to, or less than, the width of the houseboat, including the walkway; and
- (As defined), will not be included in the overall length of the houseboat.

### **A ski platform:**

- may be fixed to either the port or starboard side of the houseboat, (there is a limit of one ski platform per houseboat);
- must be hinged and detachable so as not to be a permanent fixture to the houseboat;
- has a maximum width of 500 mm from the pontoon to the outer edge of the ski platform;
- has a maximum length of 6000 mm; and
- (As defined), will not be included in the overall width of the houseboat.

### **An oversized Houseboat:**

- may only be replaced by a newly constructed houseboat conforming to the above policies;
- prior approval must be obtained from the Authority before any structural repairs or alterations are carried out; and
- structural repairs include cabin replacement or refurbishment, cleaning and painting of pontoons, alterations to the sewerage system, walkways or duckboards.

Approval of works will require submission of plans and agreement to the following for cabin replacement:

1. A statutory declaration from the owner will be required confirming that the original pontoons have been retained;
2. A photographic record must be provided showing the original boat, construction of the new cabin and the completed boat; and
3. Inspection by an authorised officer will be required prior to the boats launch.

### **Application to Replace a Licensed Houseboat**

In the event that you currently have a licensed houseboat on Lake Eildon that you would like to remove and replace with a newly constructed houseboat, you may apply to the Authority for a houseboat construction permit by following this process:

1. Forward a written request to apply for a construction permit\* to the Eildon Office with the items listed below:
  - 1.1. two copies of the proposed houseboat plans (See **Houseboat Plan Requirements**);
  - 1.2. payment of the appropriate fee<sup>#</sup> for the application/examination of plans, as follows:
    - 1.2.1. application and examination of plans \$175.00.
  - 1.3. an estimated completion date for the construction of the houseboat;
  - 1.4. confirmation of your intentions regarding the future of the houseboat to be replaced, noting that:
    - 1.4.1. the houseboat to be replaced must be removed from Lake Eildon prior to the completed houseboat being launched; and
    - 1.4.2. the removal of the houseboat must be confirmed by forwarding a Statutory Declaration to the Eildon Office.
2. Obtain a Vic Roads registration number and affix it to the houseboat.
3. Forward written confirmation from a competent person indicating that in his or her professional opinion the houseboat, on completion, will have adequate stability, buoyancy and manoeuvrability to operate safely under all conditions likely to be encountered on Lake Eildon.
4. Contact the Lake Eildon Office, to arrange a final inspection of your houseboat, to ensure that the boat has been constructed in accordance with your approved plan. The relevant

inspection fee should be forwarded at this time and a minimum of two weeks notice be given to the Authority to arrange the inspection.

4.1. Inspection fee for both single and double deck houseboats at Eildon \$191.00

4.2. Inspection fee for both single and double deck houseboats at other locations \$331.00

5. Forward a completed 'Application for a licence to operate or leave a houseboat within the Lake Eildon Recreational Area' form to the Eildon Office in order to obtain your licence number and approval to launch your newly constructed houseboat.

\* ***A construction permit to replace an existing houseboat will not be approved where the annual houseboat licence has lapsed due to non-payment.***

\* ***A construction permit is not transferable.***

# ***All fees are subject to an annual review***

### **Houseboat Plan Requirements**

When submitting your houseboat plans for approval please include the following items;

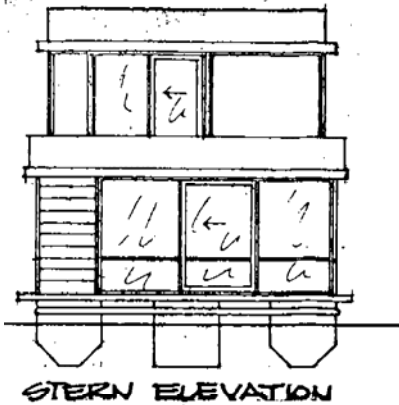
- the scale of your plan;
- the length and width of the houseboat deck and structure, excluding the duckboard and walkway;
- the dimensions of the duckboard and walkway, including details of whether they will be fixed or hinged to the structure;
- a bow, stern and port elevation of the houseboat structure;
- the number of enclosed levels;
- a floor plan, including the internal dimensions;
- a minimum of 450mm freeboard, or as otherwise determined by a competent person;
- the location of all sewerage/sullage pontoons, including their capacity and dimensions;
- the location and type of toilet, details of its capacity, make and model; and
- motor size and model.

**Please contact our Lake Eildon Public Use Management staff to discuss any issues relating to the construction of houseboats for operation on Lake Eildon:**

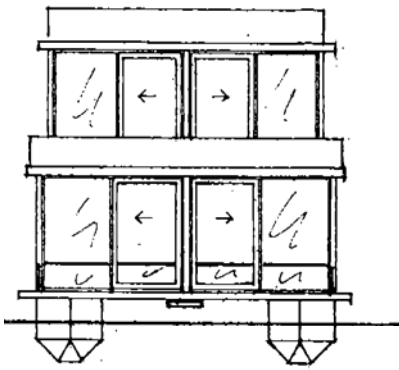
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19 High Street  
Eildon Vic 3713**

**Telephone: (03) 5770 8124**

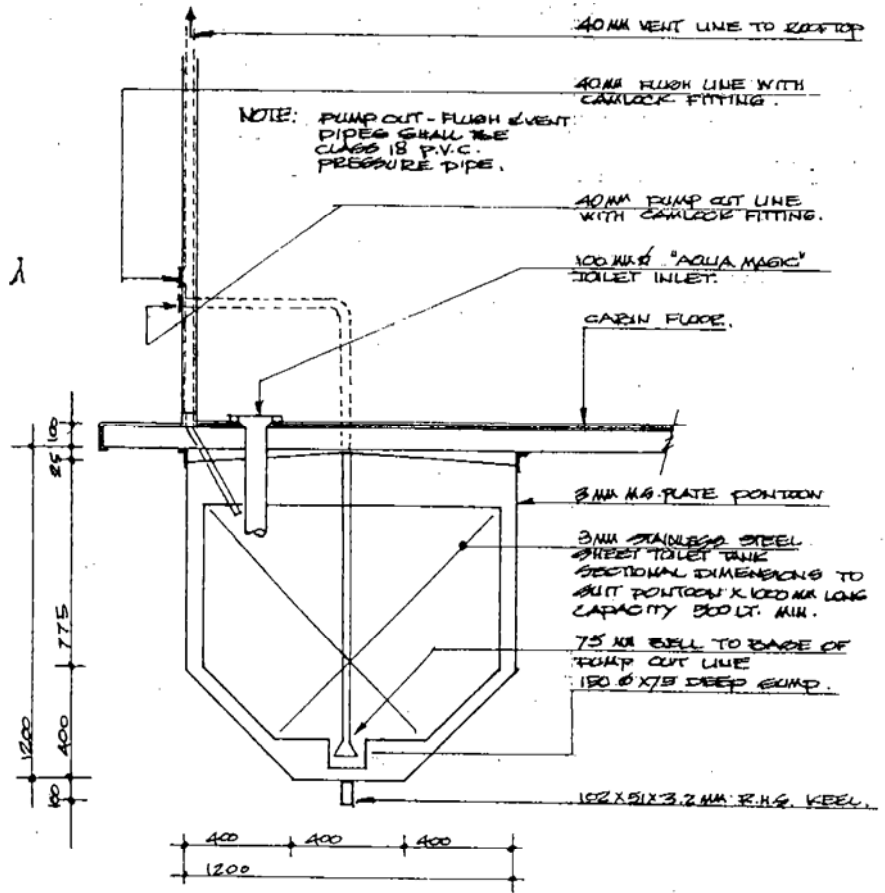




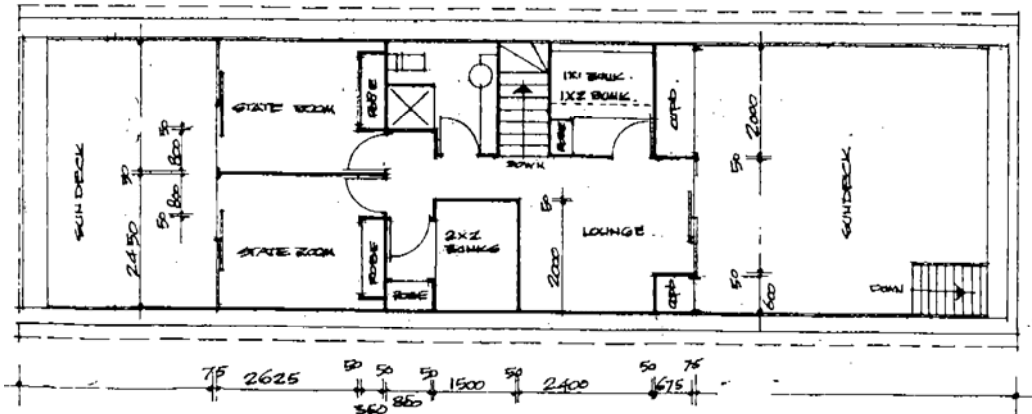
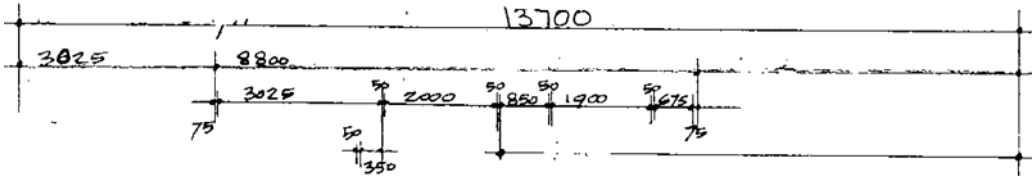
**STERN ELEVATION**



**BOW ELEVATION**



**TOILET TANK & INSTALLATION DETAIL. 1:20**



**UPPER DECK AND CABIN LAYOUT.**

**Launching & Retrieval of Houseboats – Jerusalem Creek**

To help maintain control of houseboats on Lake Eildon Goulburn-Murray Water has installed a removable locking post at the entrance to the Jerusalem Creek Boat Ramp. Any person wishing to launch or retrieve a houseboat from Jerusalem Creek will need to make prior arrangements to have the security post removed.

Only boats that have been inspected and received approval to operate on Lake Eildon will be permitted to launch. The following form should be completed and posted or faxed to the Eildon Office to arrange for the ramp to be opened.

**Application for Houseboat Launch or Removal from Jerusalem Creek**

Applicants Name .....

Address .....

Telephone Number .....

Facsimile Number .....

Date & Time Required .....

Boat Launch  Removal

**Houseboat Details:**

Owner .....

Registration .....

C.B Number .....

Boat Name .....

Transport Company .....

Mooring Location .....

## 4. Water (Lake Eildon Recreational Area)(Houseboats) Regulations 2003

### Water (Lake Eildon Recreational Area) (Houseboats) Regulations 2003

#### S.R. No. 48/2003 TABLE OF PROVISIONS

#### STATUTORY RULES 2003 S.R. No. 48/2003 **Water Act 1989**

The Governor in Council makes the following Regulations:

Dated: 27 May 2003

Responsible Minister:

JOHN THWAITES

Minister for Water

BRIAN TUKE

Acting Clerk of the Executive Council

#### 1 **Objective**

The objective of these Regulations is to provide for the control and management of houseboat operation in the Lake Eildon Recreational Area.

#### 2 **Authorising provisions**

These Regulations are made under sections 107 and 324 of the **Water Act 1989**.

#### 3 **Commencement**

These Regulations come into operation on 2 June 2003.

#### 4 **Definitions**

In these Regulations--

"**deck**" means any horizontal platform covering the whole or part of the pontoons or hull of a houseboat;

"**double deck houseboat**" means a houseboat having two separate levels, including at least 1 level of enclosed or semi-enclosed sleeping accommodation;

"**Lake**" means the waters of Lake Eildon;

"**length**" means the distance between the most extreme fore and aft points of a houseboat, excluding all motors and structural appendages (such as bumper bars, duckboards, handrails and ski platforms) measured in a direct line which bisects the houseboat medially;

"**mooring**" means a berth in a marina or other anchorage to which a houseboat can be attached;

"**owner**" of a houseboat means any person registered as owner of the houseboat under the **Marine Act 1988**;

"**recreational area**" means the area of land and water that was declared by Order of the Governor in Council<sup>[1]</sup> to be the Lake Eildon Recreational Area;

"**restricted term licence**" means a licence granted for 14 days under regulation 7;

"**single deck houseboat**" means a houseboat containing one level of enclosed or semi-enclosed sleeping accommodation;

"**trailable houseboat**" means a houseboat capable of being towed to and from the Lake without the need for a VicRoads permit;

"**Water Authority**" means the Goulburn-Murray Rural Water Authority;

"**width**" means the distance between the most extreme points of the starboard and port sides of a houseboat excluding all structural appendages (such as bumper bars, eaves, walkways, handrails and ski platforms) measured in a direct line perpendicular to the line measuring the length of the boat.

#### 5 **Licence requirements**

A person must not leave or operate any houseboat within the recreational area unless it is licensed under regulation 6 or 7.

Penalty: 20 penalty units.

## **6 Annual licence**

- (1) An application for an annual licence must be made by the owner of a houseboat in the form of Schedule 1.
- (2) The Water Authority must not issue a licence unless--
  - (a) an application has been received; and
  - (b) the houseboat is less than 13.7 metres in length and does not exceed two-fifths of its length in width; and
  - (c) plans and specifications in relation to the sewerage and water supply installations of the houseboat have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Water Authority; and
  - (d) there is installed on the houseboat—
    - (i) a toilet and sewerage installation complying with the specifications prescribed in Schedule 2; or
    - (ii) if the design of the houseboat precludes the installation referred to in sub-paragraph (i), a portable toilet which is approved by the Water Authority; and
  - (e) an inspection of the houseboat has been carried out by an authorised person or any officer or employee of the Water Authority and the houseboat is in accordance with the plans and specifications approved by the Water Authority under paragraph (c); and
  - (f) except in the case of a Type 1 houseboat referred to in Schedule 3, the owner has obtained a permanent mooring for the houseboat in an established marina area approved by the Water Authority; and
  - (g) the appropriate fees specified in Parts 1 and 2 of Schedule 3 have been paid; and
  - (h) a compliance certificate has been issued by a licensed plumber for all plumbing work in accordance with Part 12A of the **Building Act 1993**.
  - (i) The Water Authority may refuse to grant any application for a licence.
  - (j) A licence expires on 30 June next following the date of issue.
  - (k) If a licence for a Type 2, 3a, 3b, 4a, 4b or 5 houseboat referred to in Schedule 3 is issued after 31 July in a year, the amount of the fee payable for the licence must be reduced by one-twelfth for each completed month which has passed in that year.
  - (l) Sub-regulation (5) does not apply to a licence that was issued in a previous year and is renewed.
  - (m) On the issue of a licence in respect of a houseboat the Water Authority must forward to the owner an adhesive transfer indicating that a licence for the current year has been issued.
  - (n) The owner of a houseboat must within 30 days after receipt of the adhesive transfer affix it to a forward window or window screen of the houseboat.
  - (o) The owner of a houseboat must keep the adhesive transfer affixed to the window or window screen of the houseboat during the currency of the licence.

Penalty: 10 penalty units.

## **7 Restricted term licence**

- (1) An application for a restricted term licence must be made by the owner of a houseboat in the form of Schedule 4.
- (2) The Water Authority must not grant an application for a restricted term licence unless--
  - (a) an application has been received; and
  - (b) the houseboat is less than 9.1 metres in length; and
  - (c) there is installed on the houseboat--
    - (i) a toilet and sewerage installation complying with the specifications prescribed in Schedule 2; or
    - (ii) if the design of the houseboat precludes the installation referred to in sub-paragraph (i), a portable toilet which is approved by the Water Authority; and
  - (d) the appropriate fee specified in Part 1 of Schedule 3 has been paid.
- (3) The Water Authority may refuse to grant an application for a restricted term licence.
- (4) On granting an application for a restricted term licence, the Water Authority must issue a restricted term licence to the houseboat owner.
- (5) The owner of the houseboat must ensure that a copy of the licence is kept on the houseboat.

Penalty: 10 penalty units.

### **8 Depositing of foreign matter in sewerage installation**

A person must not deposit or discharge into any sewerage installation on a houseboat within the recreational area any substance other than faecal matter or biodegradable deodorant.

Penalty: 20 penalty units.

### **9 Structural alteration to a houseboat**

- (1) The owner of a houseboat that is within the recreational area must not carry out or cause to be carried out any structural alterations that alter the length of the houseboat or change the levels of accommodation of the houseboat that would result in an increased fee being payable under Schedule 3, unless plans and specifications relating to the changes to the levels of accommodation or the length of the houseboat have been submitted to and approved by the Water Authority.
- (2) The owner of a houseboat that is within the recreational area must not carry out any alterations to the sewerage installation on the houseboat that results in the installation failing to comply with the specifications set out in Schedule 2.

Penalty: 20 penalty units.

### **10 Change of address**

The owner of a houseboat licensed under these Regulations must advise the Water Authority in writing within 30 days after a change of his or her address.

Penalty: 10 penalty units.

### **11 Transfer of ownership of a houseboat**

The Water Authority may transfer a licence in respect of a houseboat to a new owner on receipt of an application in the form of Schedule 5 on payment of the transfer fee specified in Schedule 3.

### **12 Transitional provisions**

- (1) Despite the revocation of the Water (Lake Eildon Recreational Area) (Houseboats) Regulations 1991<sup>[2]</sup>, a licence that was in force immediately before that revocation is to be treated as if it were a licence issued under these Regulations.
- (2) Despite regulation 6(2)(b), if a licence referred to in sub-regulation (1) was issued for a houseboat that exceeds 13.7 metres in length or two fifths of its length in width, a licence for that houseboat may be issued under these Regulations.

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**ENDNOTES**

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[\[1\]](#)

Reg. 4, def. of "recreational area": Order in Council dated 27 July 1966 and published in the Government Gazette on 2 August 1966, as amended by Order in Council dated 15 December 1970 and published in the Government Gazette on 16 December 1970 and as amended by Order in Council dated 18 February 1975 and published in the Government Gazette on 26 February 1975.

[\[2\]](#) Reg. 12(1): S.R. No. 211/1991. Reprint No. 1 as at 9 March 2000. Extended in operation to 14 October 2002 by S.R. No. 96/2001.



**LAKE EILDON RECREATIONAL AREA HOUSEBOAT REGULATIONS 2003**

**SCHEDULE 1**

**APPLICATION TO LICENCE, OPERATE OR LEAVE A HOUSEBOAT WITHIN THE LAKE EILDON RECREATIONAL AREA**

**REGISTERED BOAT OWNER:**

**Note:** This licence must be held in the name of the Vic Roads registered owner, which is limited to one person or Company only.

If this licence is to be held in a Company name, the ACN, name and position of signatory and type of authorisation must be supplied.

Surname \_\_\_\_\_  
 Given Names \_\_\_\_\_  
 Postal Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIPTION OF BOAT:**

Boat Registration No: \_\_\_\_\_ Boat Name \_\_\_\_\_

Single Story Houseboat     Double Story Houseboat     Cabin Cruiser     Half-cabin  
 Other (Description) \_\_\_\_\_ Manufactured by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Overall length \_\_\_\_\_ Width (Beam) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Duckboard \_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_ Walkway \_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ski Platform \_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_ Engine (Type) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Horsepower \_\_\_\_\_ Maximum Speed \_\_\_\_\_  
*(10 Knots maximum allowable for Houseboats)*

**LOCATION OF MOORING:** \_\_\_\_\_

**BOAT MAY BE INSPECTED AT:**  
 Elsewhere (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Constructed Address     Owners Address

**SEWERAGE SYSTEM:**

Holding Tank     Portable

**CAPACITY OF SYSTEM:**

Flushing \_\_\_\_\_ Litres    Holding Tank \_\_\_\_\_ Litres

**ACCOMMODATION:**

No of permanent berths \_\_\_\_\_ Additional \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_ **SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT** \_\_\_\_\_

Please forward your completed application form together with the \$175.00 fee for application and examination of plans, to the following address:

**Goulburn-Murray Water**  
**19 High Street**  
**Eildon Vic 3713**

**Phone: (03) 5770 8124**  
**Fax: (03) 5774 2656**

## SCHEDULE 2

### SPECIFICATION FOR SEWERAGE INSTALLATIONS IN HOUSEBOATS

#### 1. Materials

1.1 Materials in contact with sewage must be resistant to:

- (a) toilet water; and
- (b) a marine environment; and
- (c) disinfectants and deodorants; and
- (d) cleaning agents; and
- (e) chemical compounds in solid, liquid or gaseous form of a toxic or explosive nature, likely to be generated in the operation of the toilet and sewerage system.

1.2 Materials in the toilet and sewerage system must be chemically and galvanically compatible.

#### 2. Design and Construction

2.1 All tanks when filled with water must be capable of withstanding impact (to drop test standard) of 3 kilograms from a height of 0.60 metre on the top surface of the tank while under 0.45 metre head of water when tested at 0° Celsius and 20° Celsius.

2.2 The shape of the tank may conform to the hull of the boat but the lower sections must be sloped to be self-cleansing and draining to a sump.

2.3 A method must be incorporated to indicate when the holding tank is more than 75 per cent full by volume.

#### 3. Capacity

The toilet and sewerage system consisting of the toilet unit plus the holding tank must have a capacity for storing wastes not less than that set out in the following table:

- (a) Up to and including 4 berth accommodation: 60 litres
- (b) 5 and 6 berth accommodation: 80 litres
- (c) Over 6 berth accommodation: 130 litres

#### 4. Seal

The toilet bowl must have a mechanical or water seal.

#### 5. Inlet to Tank

The toilet bowl must be located as close to the top of the tank as is practicable and the tank must have a minimum 75 millimetre diameter inlet.

#### 6. Outlet from Tank

6.1 The diameter of the outlet pipe from the tank must be not less than 75 millimetres at the tank end. The outlet pipe must be tapered and must lead, by means of a non-corrodible pipe or non-collapsible suction hose of not less than 38 millimetres diameter to a fitting attached to the outside wall at least 300 millimetres above the top of the toilet bowl and accessible from the deck of the houseboat.

6.2 If an outlet of the suction pipe type is used, the lower end of the suction pipe must terminate not more than 38 millimetres above the bottom of the sump of the tank.

6.3 The wall fitting must consist of a 38 millimetres NATO standard camlock adaptor compatible with pump-out fittings used on the Water Authority sanitation service stations.

6.4 A fitting must be provided as a gas-tight cover over the wall fitting.

#### 7. Venting

7.1 A vent pipe of 38 millimetres diameter non-corrodible material must be fitted to the top of the tank and extended to an accessible and exposed point at atmosphere.

7.2 The venting system must be capable of withstanding the vacuum of the pumping system.

## **8. Flushing Inlet**

Provision must be made for flushing the tank with fresh water at times when it is being pumped out.

## **9. Inspection**

Provision must be made for access to the sewage tank to allow inspection of the tank, pipe work and fittings.

## **10. Protection**

10.1 The tank and any parts of the outlet, inlet and vent pipes located below deck level of the boat must be encased in strong material to provide protection against the possibility of the tank and pipes being damaged by obstructions in the water or protruding from the water.

10.2 The protection material must be capable of being removed to enable an inspection of the sewerage installation to be made.

## **11. Installation, Operation and Maintenance**

11.1 **Gas Emission** - The toilet and sewerage system must be installed to minimise the emission of malodorous gases and prevent the emission of poisonous gases (such as hydrogen sulphide) within the boat.

11.2 **Piping and Hoses** - The interior of the piping or hoses between the toilet and the holding tank and between the holding tank and the pump out fittings must be as smooth as is practicable to permit the free flow of sewage and must have an internal diameter of not less than 38 millimetres. The hose and piping must be as short and direct as practicable.

## **12. Tests**

12.1 **Pressure Test** - The tank and the connecting piping or tubing, including all fittings, must be pressure tested with water. The pressure must represent a column of water 1.5 times the distance from the top of the tank to the top of the venting pipe. The minimum height must be 2 metres of water column. The toilet and sewerage system must hold the water pressure for a period of 30 minutes without any leakage.

12.2 **Suction Test** - The tank and the connecting piping or tubing, including all fittings must withstand the following pump-out test.

12.3 The tank must be emptied with a 170 litres per minute positive displacement pump that remains operating 30 seconds after emptying the tank.

## **13. Operating Instructions and Safety Precautions**

13.1 A placard giving operating instructions, safety precautions and warnings pertinent to the toilet and sewerage system must be permanently attached in each toilet compartment.

13.2 The lettering on the placard must not be less than 3 millimetres high. The placard must be legible and capable of withstanding the combined effects of normal wear and tear and the environmental conditions on the boat.

## **14. Identification**

The toilet and sewerage system must be legibly marked with the following information on a plate attached to the system, or in lettering on the system:

- (a) the name of manufacturer;
- (b) the name and model number of the system;
- (c) the month and year of completion; and
- (d) the volume of the holding tank.

## **SCHEDULE 3**

### **SCALE OF FEES FOR HOUSEBOAT LICENCES**

#### **PART 1**

##### Annual Licence Fees (Excluding GST)

1. Trailable houseboat not exceeding 9.1 metres in length with one level of enclosed accommodation:	\$250.00
2. Houseboat not exceeding 9.1 metres in length with one level of enclosed accommodation:	\$545.00
3a. Houseboat exceeding 9.1 metres in length but not exceeding 12.2 metres in length with one level of enclosed accommodation:	\$814.00
3b. Houseboat not exceeding 9.1 metres in length with two or more separate levels of enclosed accommodation:	\$814.00
4a. Houseboat exceeding 12.2 metres in length with one level of enclosed accommodation:	\$1080.00
4b. Houseboat exceeding 9.1 metres in length but not exceeding 12.2 metres in length with two or more separate levels of enclosed accommodation:	\$1080.00
5. Houseboat exceeding 12.2 metres in length with two or more separate levels of enclosed accommodation:	\$1360.00

##### Restricted Term Licence Fees (Excluding GST)

For a 14 day consecutive period:	\$70.00
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#### **PART 2**

##### **Application, Inspection and Transfer Fees in Respect of Houseboats (GST Inclusive)**

1. Application and examination of plans:	\$175.00
2. Inspection fee for both single and double deck houseboats at Eildon:	\$191.00
3. Inspection fee for both single and double deck houseboats at other locations:	\$331.00
4. Fee for transfer of houseboat licence:	\$55.00



# LAKE EILDON RECREATIONAL AREA HOUSEBOAT REGULATIONS 2003

## SCHEDULE 4

### APPLICATION FOR LAKE EILDON HOUSEBOAT RESTRICTED TERM LICENCE

**NAME OF BOAT OWNER:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**POSTAL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Postcode \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
**TELEPHONE:** Work \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_  
**BOAT REGISTRATION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIPTION OF BOAT:** Houseboat:  Cabin Cruiser:  Trailer Sailer:  Other:   
Overall length \_\_\_\_\_ Width (Beam) \_\_\_\_\_  
Engine (Type) \_\_\_\_\_ Horsepower \_\_\_\_\_  
Maximum Speed \_\_\_\_\_  
Manufactured By \_\_\_\_\_  
Boat Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: Maximum height for all boats operating on Lake Eildon is 12 meters**

**LOCATION OF MOORING** (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

**SEWERAGE SYSTEM:** Holding Tank:  Portable:

**ACCOMMODATION:** No of permanent berths: \_\_\_\_\_ Additional berths \_\_\_\_\_

**DATES REQUIRED:** From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

**FEE FOR RESTRICTED TERM LICENCE:** 14 Day Licence \$70.00

**Signature of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

#### BOATS REQUIRING A LICENCE

All boats up to 9.1 metres in length and containing a toilet.

1. If the boat contains a marine toilet which discharges directly into the water it must be rendered inoperable.
2. The boat must have aboard a portable toilet fitted with mechanical seals to prevent spillage.

All boats up to 9.1 metres ( 30 feet ) in length and containing sleeping accommodation.

(NOTE: The boat is deemed to contain sleeping accommodation if it has bunks or benches in excess of 1.5 metres (5 feet) in length which could be slept on. Boats with sleeping accommodation must also have on board a portable toilet). If a boat contains a toilet and/or sleeping accommodation it must be licenced to operate on Lake Eildon, even though the owner may indicate he will only use the boat as a day boat and has no intention of sleeping on it overnight.

Please forward your completed application form together with a payment of the \$70.00 licence fee to the following address:

**Goulburn-Murray Water**  
19 High Street  
Eildon Vic 3713

**Phone: (03) 5770 8124**  
**Fax : (03) 5774 2656**



**LAKE EILDON RECREATIONAL AREA HOUSEBOAT  
REGULATIONS 2003**

**SCHEDULE 5**

**APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF HOUSEBOAT**

**DESCRIPTION OF BOAT**

Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Licence CB No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boat Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mooring Location \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME OF LICENSEE**

(Vendor)

Surname \_\_\_\_\_  
 Given Names \_\_\_\_\_  
 Postal Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Postcode \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME OF TRANSFEREE**

(Purchaser)

Note: This licence must be held in the name of the Vic Roads registered owner, which is limited to one person or Company only.  
 A photocopy of the Vic Roads registration with owner details must be attached to this document.  
 If this licence is to be held in a Company name, the ACN, name and position of signatory and type of authorisation must be supplied.

Surname \_\_\_\_\_  
 Given Names \_\_\_\_\_  
 Postal Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

Please tick this box if the houseboat is to be modified or altered in any way.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of licensee (seller): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of transferee(buyer): \_\_\_\_\_

Please forward your completed application form together with a payment of the \$55.00 transfer fee and copy of the updated Vic Roads Registration form to the following address:

**Goulburn-Murray Water  
 19 High Street  
 Eildon Vic 3713**

**Phone: (03) 5770 8124  
 Fax : (03) 5774 2656**

*Please note that after the transfer of this licence the Authority may wish to inspect the Houseboat. In this case, you may be advised in writing to arrange to have the Houseboat slipped for an inspection.*



**PART ONE - ASSESSMENT SUMMARY**

G-MW Licence Number: CB..... Registration number: ..... Mooring:  
.....

Owner ..... Boat Name .....

Owners Address: .....

Phone ..... Fax ..... Email .....

Boat length ..... metres Boat width ..... metres

Enclosed levels ..... Walkways ..... mm x ..... mm

Ski Platform ..... mm x ..... mm Duckboard ..... mm x ..... mm

Location of Ski Platform  Port side  Starboard side

The following items have been inspected by a “Competent Person” for G-MW compliance with the Lake Eildon Houseboat Regulations 2003.

(Please mark ).

Sewerage System  Motor (no fuel leakage)  Fuel storage

This Houseboat does/does not comply.

No further action

Repairs required (as listed in PART THREE) and owner to be notified by Goulburn-Murray Water

Signature of Competent Person: .....

Date...../...../.....

Name of Competent Person: .....

Address: .....

**This Compulsory Houseboat Inspection Report (“Report”) has been prepared for the sole benefit of Goulburn-Murray Water for its internal purposes. It is not intended that this Report be used by any other party for any purpose whatsoever and the Competent Person whose name appears above will not be liable for loss suffered by a third party as a result of reliance upon this Report.**

**PART TWO - INSPECTION REPORT**

Waste Tank Material ..... Waste Tank Location .....

**Pontoons**

Age of pontoons..... Date last painted .....Coating .....

Port Pontoon:

Number of sealed bulkheads ..... Open bulkheads .....

Starboard Pontoon:

Number of sealed bulkheads ..... Open bulkheads .....

Ballast material & volume .....

Use (√) for satisfactory and (X) for unsatisfactory in first inspection column. The 2nd inspection column deals with problems that have been fixed and will have a (√) for satisfactory.

**Sewerage System**

1st 2nd

- Waste tank Corrosion   .....
- Waste tank Splits/Leaks   .....
- Tank Mounted Brackets   .....
- Suction & Suction Lines   .....
- Vent/Flush & Lines (must have air tight cap)   .....
- Inlet Flanges   .....
- Clamps/Clips for sealing (non-corrodible)   .....
- Waste outlet height above toilet bowl (1)   .....
- Waste tanks to have vents and flush points   .....
- Tank ventilation lines (2)   .....
- Guarding of exposed tanks (3)   .....
- Test tank for leaks (inc ventilation)   .....
- Pontoon - sewage storage   .....

**Fuel Tank**

- Corrosion   .....
- Splits/Leaks   .....
- Fuel inlet/outlet connections   .....
- Mounting Brackets   .....
- Fuel lines - leaks   .....
- Pontoon - fuel storage   .....
- Exterior tank & hoses guarded   .....
- Vent above fill height   .....

**Bilge**

Inspect pod/bilge for fuel, oil & coolant leaks   .....

**LPG Installation**

Gas storage and plumbing complies with Plumbing Code

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Gas Fitting Notice Number

[Empty rectangular box]

Note:

Waste tanks to be constructed from suitable Stainless Steel, Marine Grade Aluminium, PVC or Fibreglass.

Internal connections must be in accordance with the appropriate plumbing codes.

Pontoons being used as fuel storage will not be accepted and fuel storage tanks will need to be installed.

Vacuum or smoke test for leaks in fuel tanks located in pontoons and not readily accessible.

Visual inspection of pontoons and assessment that pitting or corrosion is not more than 50% of original steel.

Footnotes:

1. Waste outlet height requirements do not apply to the second storey of a two storey houseboat.
2. Ventilation line (minimum 38mm) must be higher than the toilet bowl.
3. Leading guard to be fitted to the front and bottom of all sewerage tanks suspended underneath the houseboat and exposed to potential damage. Minimum 2.5mm flat plate steel to be used. If the outlet line is exposed on the bottom of the tank it should be protected as well.

**PART THREE – REQUIRED REPAIRS**

The following repairs need to be carried out on this houseboat as it currently breaches G-MW By-Laws and/or Regulations. In accordance with these Regulations the owner will be notified in writing by Goulburn-Murray Water and given seven days to affect these repairs or remove the houseboat from Lake Eildon.

Repairs Required: .....  
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**PART FOUR - REPAIRS**

The Required Repairs listed in Part Four have been completed

Method of pontoon cleaning .....

.....  
 Paint coating applied .....

Name of Repairer: .....

Address of Repairer: .....

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This Report is to be forwarded to:

Goulburn-Murray Water  
 19 High Street  
 Eildon Vic 3713

Phone: 03 5770 8124  
 Facsimile: 03 5774 2656

**PART FIVE – G-MW USE ONLY**

- Date received by G-MW                      Initials..... Date...../...../.....
- Owner Notified of repairs (if any)                      Initials..... Date...../...../.....
- Repairs Completed                      Initials..... Date...../...../.....
- Repairs inspected by G-MW                      Initials ..... Date...../...../.....
- Service amended                      Initials ..... Date...../...../.....

## 7. GENERAL BOATING

### Roles and Responsibilities

1. Goulburn-Murray Water is a local authority under the provisions of The Marine Act 1988 at 15 storages - refer *attachment A*. The term “boating authority” is the commonly used term for “local authority”.
2. The statutory role of a local authority is to make recommendations to Marine Safety Victoria on:-
  - the desired regulation and control of boats using storages;
  - the desired regulation and control of swimmers and others in so far as their activities effect boating activity.

The generally used term for these tasks is water zoning.

A local authority can also:-

- vary the provisions of any regulation to permit a specified boating activity (e.g. a regatta) between specified hours on a specified day;
  - authorise persons to take action for offences against regulations.
3. If at a storage there are no boating regulations, boating, swimming etc, may still be permitted subject to compliance by the public with the general provisions of the Marine Act and Goulburn-Murray Water By-law No. 7, which governs behaviour in recreational areas.
  4. If boating becomes a problem at a particular storage, new regulations can be prepared or existing regulations amended, if necessary - via the Marine Act process.
  5. Enquiries in regard to the procedures and processes required for the making of regulations under the Marine Act should be directed to :-

Mr Peter Corcoran  
Manager Recreational Boating  
Marine Safety Victoria  
Level 11 / 80 Collins Street  
MELBOURNE VIC. 3000

Telephone 9655 3399  
Facsimile 9655 6611

6. To develop new or amended water zoning proposals, the local authority should:
  - a) call for submissions from users e.g. boat clubs, lessees, local associations etc. Advertisements in local papers inviting comment from the public is another method. A suitable plan is sometimes put on exhibition. A public meeting may be warranted. In some instances the issue is relatively minor and little or no consultation is required. The local authorities have discretion on the extent of consultation although the Marine Board may ask some questions on the matter;
  - b) after consultation, a report and plan is prepared and approved by the relevant officers of the local authority. The recommendations are then forwarded to Marine Safety Victoria for promulgation of regulations.

### 7. Regattas

Regattas are authorised by the issue of a letter of approval, containing relevant permit conditions. Clubs that lease foreshore land from Authority do not pay a fee for regatta permits but should give the Authority a list 12 months in advance of proposed events. Special events over and above the approved list attract a fee of \$100.00

Visiting clubs who wish to hold regattas at Goulburn-Murray Water storages will be required to pay a fee of \$100.00 and are subject to the same standard conditions.

## **8. Seaplanes**

Requests are sometimes made to land on Authority storages. Approval can be given by letter (or licence if regular landings are envisaged). Conditions are at the discretion of storage managers and controls can be imposed e.g. landings in less populated areas only, hours of operation restricted etc.

## **9. Jetties and Boat Ramps**

Any jetty or boat ramp on Goulburn-Murray Water land must be approved and licenced. To apply for a licence the applicant must own land abutting the foreshore of the storage.

Jetty licensees must hold a current public liability insurance policy in accordance with the Jetty Licence Document. An annual licence fee applies to jetties and boat ramps.

## **10. General Interest**

- Boat Operator Licences are required in Victoria
- age limits apply to boat operators on Victorian waters;
- 0.5 legislation applies to boat drivers;
- the Water Police patrol and enforce regulations at our storages. While they usually only attend our larger storages e.g. Eildon, Eppalock on a regular basis, they can be asked to attend any storage if a particular problem is seen to be developing.

## **Boating Authority Goulburn-Murray Water Storages**

*Goulburn-Murray Water Authority is the Boating Authority for the storages listed below;*

Lake Dartmouth  
Lake Hume  
Lake Mokoan  
Laanecoorie Reservoir  
Lock Garry  
Waranga Basin

Lake Buffalo  
Lake Eppalock  
Lake William Hovell  
Lake Eildon  
Cairn Curran Reservoir

Eildon Pondage  
Lake Nillahcootie  
Greens Lake (Corop)  
Middle Reedy Lake  
Lake Mulwala

**Insert Eildon Boat Zoning Map Here**

## Insert Boat Ramp List

## 8. BY-LAW NO 7 RECREATIONAL AREAS

### PART 1 PREMININARY

#### Title:

1. This by-law may be cited as by-law No. 7 Recreational Areas.

#### Objectives:

2. The objectives of this by-law are to make provision for –

- (a) the control, management and the use of the land, services and facilities;
- (b) the protection of the land, services and facilities;
- (c) the protection of people in the recreational area from injury or nuisance; and
- (d) the conservation and preservation of flora, fauna and habitat;

in recreational areas under the management and control of the Authority.

#### Authorising Provisions:

3. This by-law is made under sections 107 and 160 of the Act.

#### Application:

4. (1) This by law applies to all recreational areas.  
(2) This by-law does not apply to any of the following persons when acting in the course of that person's duties –

- (a) a member of the police force;
- (b) an authorised officer;
- (c) a contractor, volunteer or other person carrying out any work for, or acting on the instructions of, the Authority;
- (d) a person dealing with a fire, flood or other public emergency.

#### Definitions:

5. In this by-law:-

“**Act**” means the Water Act 1989.

“**Authority**” means the Goulburn-Murray Water Rural Water Authority.

“**Authorised Officer**” means –

- (a) any officer or employee of the Authority; or
- (b) any person appointed in writing by the Authority as an authorised officer for the purposes of this by-law.

“**Boat**” includes any vessel, raft or floating structure which is used or is capable of being used as a means of transportation on water.

“**Camp**” includes –

- (a) any tent or other temporary form of accommodation which is erected, occupied or used;
- (b) any caravan or other movable form of accommodation which is parked, occupied or used;
- or
- (c) any vehicle which is used for accommodation purposes.

“**Dangerous Dog**” has the same meaning as contained in the Domestic (Feral & Nuisance) Animals Act 1994.

“**Firearm**” includes –

- (a) any gun, rifle, air pistol or similar thing using cartridges or explosive means to propel any bullet or missile;
- (b) any catapult, bow and arrow or crossbow; and
- (c) any other implement designed to discharge a missile that is capable of injuring or killing people or animals

“**Houseboat**” has the same meaning as contained in the Water (Lake Eildon Recreational Area) (Houseboats) Regulations 1991.

“**Litter**” includes any solid or liquid domestic or commercial wastes, refuse, debris or rubbish and, without limiting the generality of the above, includes any glass, metal, plastic, paper, fabric, wood, food, abandoned vehicles, abandoned vehicle parts, garden remnants or clippings, soil, sand, concrete or rocks or any part of animal carcass.

“**Paraflying**” includes using a manned kite, parachute or similar device under tow by a vehicle or boat.

“**Person**” includes any body corporate, or association (whether incorporated or not).

“**Pontoon**” includes any launching ramp, jetty, floating jetty, slalom course or ski jump.

“**Recreational Area**” means –

- (a) any area of land declared by the Minister for Agriculture and Resources to be a recreational area under the management and control of the Authority under section 107 of the Act; and
- (b) any water storage under the control of the Rural Water Commission immediately before the 1<sup>st</sup> November, 1990.

“**Recreation vehicle**” includes any mini-bike, rail bike, beach buggy or dune buggy.

“**Sign**” includes –

- (a) any notice, whether on a post or not;
- (b) any painted lines or words on a sealed roadway; and
- (c) any beacon, buoy or other navigational marker.

“**Vehicle**” means any conveyance which is used or is capable of being used as a means of transportation on land but does not include railway locomotive or rolling stock.

## **PART 2 – BOATING**

### **Boating:**

6. (1) A person must not leave or operate any houseboat except with a licence issued by the Authority.
- (2) A person must not leave or operate a boat that is –
- (a) likely to cause danger to other people or damage to property; or
  - (b) derelict or unseaworthy.
- (3) A person must not operate a boat –
- (a) likely to cause offence or annoyance to other people by reason of noise;
  - (b) in a careless or reckless manner;
  - (c) in a manner or at a speed that would be likely to endanger other people or cause damage to property;
  - (d) so as to obstruct, endanger or interfere with the operations or works of the Authority;
  - (e) that has a mast or aerial exceeding 12 metres above the water line; or
  - (f) contrary to any direction given to an authorised officer.
- (4) A person must not moor a boat –
- (a) to any navigational marker;
  - (b) in a manner that is likely to cause obstruction to any other boat;
  - (c) contrary to any direction given by an authorised officer; or
  - (d) in a boat exclusion zone.

Penalty: 20 Penalty Units

### **Erection or Sinking of objects on water:**

7. A person must not –
- (a) construct or erect any pontoon or any other structure;
  - (b) construct or erect any object that may be likely to obstruct or interfere with the passage of boats;
  - (c) deliberately sink or scuttle any boat or pontoon; or
  - (d) carry out the salvage of any sunken boat or pontoon;
- except with the written permission of the Authority.

Penalty: 20 Penalty Units

### **Regattas and boat races;**

8. A person must not conduct or take part in any regatta, boat race or sporting fixture involving the use of boats except with the written permission of the Authority.

Penalty: 20 Penalty Units

**Litter from boats:**

9. A person must not discharge or throw from a boat any litter.

Penalty: 20 Penalty Units

**Obstruction of launching ramps:**

10. A person must not obstruct the launching or retrieval of boats from a launching ramp.

Penalty: 20 Penalty Units

**PART 3 – GENERAL**

**Authorisation of works:**

11. A person must not cause or permit any fixed installation to be constructed, erected, added to or altered except in accordance with plans previously approved by the Authority.

Penalty: 20 Penalty Units.

**Nuisances and other matters:**

- 12 (1) A person must not commit any nuisance or behave in a manner which is likely to cause danger, inconvenience, alarm or annoyance to any person.
- (2) A person must not –
- (a) play a game or take part in any activity likely to cause inconvenience, disturbance or annoyance, to any one other than in the part of the recreational area set aside for that purpose;
  - (b) use any profane, indecent or obscene language, or use any threatening, abusive or insulting words;
  - (c) behave in a righteous, indecent, offensive, threatening or insulting manner; or
  - (d) enter or use any facility –
    - (ii) except for its proper purpose; or
    - (iii) set aside for persons of the opposite sex, except where the individual is a child under the age of six (6) years and is accompanied by an adult.
- (3) A person must not –
- (a) cut, fell or remove or intentionally damage or destroy any flora (whether alive or dead);
  - (b) dig, excavate or move any soil, sand, clay or rock; or
  - (c) use any poison, trap, snare or net –  
except with the written permission of the Authority.
- (4) A person must not –
- (a) deposit or cause to be deposited, any litter except in a receptacle provided for the purpose;
  - (b) bring into or cause to be brought into a recreational area and deposit in any receptacle within the recreational area any litter or household waste or rubbish; and
  - (c) convey or cause to be conveyed, any fluid or solid matters that are likely to contain substances or bacteria harmful to human, animal, plant or aquatic life, onto a recreational area except in proper receptacles or places approved by the Authority.

Penalty: 10 Penalty Units

**Vehicles:**

13. (1) A person must not drive or park any vehicle –
- (a) in a careless or reckless manner;
  - (b) on or over any surface other than a road, track, or parking area;
  - (c) so as to be likely to obstruct, impede or interfere with the operation of any launching ramp; or
  - (d) contrary to any direction given by an authorised officer
- (2) A person must not drive any recreation vehicle except with the written permission of the Authority.

Penalty: 15 Penalty Units

**Camping and fires:**

14. (1) A person must not –
- (a) erect or use any camp that is not in a designed camping area or caravan park, except with the written permission of the Authority;
  - (b) light or maintain a fire or permit a fire to remain alight, other than in a fire place provided for that purpose; or
  - (c) leave a fire unattended.
- (2) Any person who lights a fire must take all reasonable and proper precautions to ensure that the fire does not escape from the persons control and must ensure that the fire is extinguished before leaving the recreational area.

Penalty: 20 Penalty Units

**Shooting:**

15. (1) A person must not carry or be in the possession of a firearm or discharge any firearm on, from, into or over a recreational area except with the written permission of the

Authority or except in accordance with the provisions of any Authority by-law relating to shooting.

- (2) Nothing in sub-clause (1) shall prohibit the carrying of a firearm across Lake Dartmouth for the purpose of hunting deer.

Penalty: 20 Penalty Units

**Business and Sporting Events:**

16. A person must not without the written permission of the Authority –
- (a) undertake any commercial activity;
  - (b) hold a carnival, fete, sporting fixture or event or other similar function;
  - (c) sell, trade or hire or advertise, offer or display for sale, trade or hire any good or service;
  - (d) display any sign or hand out or disseminate any material;
  - (e) solicit or collect money;
  - (f) deliver an address of any kind, or use any public address system, loud hailer or similar device;
  - (g) take any photograph, film, video or audio recording, television or radio broadcast for commercial purposes; or
  - (h) Offer, display or use any vehicle or boat for hire or carry passengers for reward.

Penalty: 20 Penalty Units

**Dogs and other animals:**

- 17.(1) A person must not bring a dog onto a recreational area or allow a dog under the person's control to enter or remain within a recreational area unless –
- (a) the dog is at all times under proper control on a leash; and
  - (b) the dog is effectively restrained from causing injury or annoyance to people, damage or interference to property, or disturbance to injury to wildlife.
- (2) A person must not bring a dog onto or allow a dog to enter or remain within any part of a recreational area in which dogs are prohibited.
- (3) A person must not bring a dangerous dog onto or allow a dangerous dog to enter or remain within a recreational area.
- (4) A person must not allow a dog under the person's control to enter any water.
- (5) A person must not bring or allow any animal onto a recreational area except with the written permission of the Authority.
- (6) Nothing in this clause prohibits-
- (a) a disabled person bringing a dog into a recreational area to assist that person with respect to the person's disability;
  - (b) the use of dogs in accordance with the provisions of any Authority by-law relating to the shooting of Game Birds;
  - (c) the keeping of any domestic animal by an officer of the Authority at premises provided by the Authority for that officer; or
  - (d) the keeping of any domestic animal by a person at any caravan park situated within a recreational area, when so permitted by the proprietor of the caravan park.

Penalty: 5 Penalty Units.

**Helicopters and aircraft:**

18. A person must not-
- (a) land or take-off a helicopter or other aircraft;
  - (b) deliver a person or thing by parachute, helicopter or other means from the air; or
  - (c) land by parachute;
- except-
- (i) with the written permission of the Authority; or
  - (ii) in an emergency

Penalty: 20 Penalty Units

**Aerial Sports:**

19. A person must not conduct or take part-
- (1) in paraflaying –
    - (a) over water without the written permission of the Authority; and
    - (b) over land (excepting land covered by water); or
  - (2) in flying an ultra light aircraft at a height less than 152.4 metres (500 feet) except with the written permission of the Authority

Penalty: 20 Penalty Units

**Abandoned Property:**

20. A person must not abandon any boat, pontoon or vehicle.

Penalty: 20 Penalty Units

**Written permission:**

21. (1) The Authority may issue written permission for the purposes of this by-law.
- (2) A permission under this by-law –
  - (a) subject to such conditions (including payment of fees) as the Authority determines; and
  - (b) may be revoked by notice given in writing to the holder of the permission for any failure to comply with the permission.
- (3) A person whom written permission is given must comply with every condition of that permission.

Penalty: 5 Penalty Units

**Directions by sign:**

22. (1) The Authority may, by signs establish in such position or positions as the case requires, prohibit or regulate any act, matter or thing.
- (2) A person must not contravene any Authority sign.

Penalty: 5 Penalty Units

**Directions by authorised officer:**

23. (1) A person must comply with any reasonable direction given by an authorised officer to that person to take action to comply with this by-law.
- (2) A person must leave a recreational area if instructed to do so by an authorised officer if that officer suspects on reasonable grounds that the person has contravened this by-law.
- (3) An authorised officer may direct any owner or operator of a boat or any person apparently in charge of a boat who if that authorised officer suspects on reasonable grounds that the person has contravened this part of the by-law, to remove that person's boat from the water or the recreational area.

Penalty: 10 Penalty Units

**Penalties:**

24. If a person contravenes or fails to comply with a provision of this by-law and the contravention or failure is of continuing nature, an additional penalty not exceeding 5 penalty units for each day on which the offence continues-
- (a) after service of a notice of contravention on the person under section 151 of the Act; or
  - (b) if no notice of contravention is served, after conviction of the person for the offence.

## Fires and camping around Lake Eildon.

**Fires and camping are not permitted in any area around Lake Eildon, except in the designated camping areas (see below).**

### Why?

Unregulated campfires are not only a potential hazard for bushfires, but also create a problem with accumulation of rubbish and pollution to the domestic water supply.

To minimise these impacts, Parks Victoria provides defined areas where camping and fires are permitted.



### Boat-based camping areas

There are three Boat-Based Camping Areas located around the shores of Lake Eildon within Lake Eildon National Park at:

- **Mountaineer Inlet** (top of Aird Inlet)
- **Taylor's Creek** (Big River Arm)
- **Coopers Point** (Main Arm)

They are only accessible by boat or foot and provide for a more remote camping experience (see map).

Composting toilets are provided in each area and fires are permitted at Mountaineer Inlet and Taylor's Creek only.



### Other camping areas

- **Jerusalem Creek Camping Area.** Good boat access is available into the Jerusalem Creek Inlet. Designated camping sites, basic toilets and fire places are provided. Camping fees apply and permits are available at either end of the camping area. Bookings are available for peak periods.
- **Fraser Camping Area.** Collier Bay. Formal camping facilities are provided (toilets, hot showers, etc) with fires permitted in fireplaces provided. Fees are payable at the Campground Office with bookings required for peak periods. Phone (03) 5772 1293.
- **Delatite Arm Reserve.** Basic camping facilities are provided (as for Jerusalem Creek) and fires are restricted to winter months only. Camping fees are collected by Rangers.

### Fire:

Within the specified camping areas, fires must be contained within fireplaces provided. Please keep fires to a minimum size and gather only fallen, dead timber.

On declared days of Total Fire Ban **ALL SOLID FUEL CAMPFIRES, PORTABLE GAS APPLIANCES AND KEROSENE LANTERNS ARE PROHIBITED.** This includes all *gas stoves, gas lights, and gas fridges* (including use inside tents). *Fixed gas stoves* may be used in houseboats with extreme caution. **IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO FIND OUT INFORMATION ON TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS.**

This can be obtained via radio broadcasts, or by contacting the Fire duty Officer on (03) 5772 0200 (Alexandra), (03) 5733 0120 (Mansfield), or the recorded service on (03) 11540.

### Dogs:

Dogs are not permitted in Lake Eildon National Park, so please be aware of your mooring location if you are taking a dog on board a houseboat.

Dogs are only permitted in the Jerusalem Creek Camping Area and Delatite Arm Reserve, and must be under control at all times.

### Motorbikes:

Trail bike riding is only permitted on formed roadways open to the public (this excludes the shores of the lake). All vehicles must be roadworthy, registered and you must be fully licenced.

**PLEASE RESPECT THE AREA  
TAKE ALL RUBBISH HOME**

### Further Information:

#### Parks Victoria

46 Aitken Street, Alexandra. 3714  
Phone: (03) 5772 0200. Fax: (03) 5772 1361.

#### Lake Eildon National Park

PO Box 211, Alexandra 3714  
Phone: (03) 5772 2038. Fax: (03) 5772 2813.

#### Goulburn-Murray Water

19 High Street, Eildon 3713  
Phone: (03) 5770 8100. Fax: (03) 5774 2656.

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