

17 August 2022

Attn: Ron Bakker  
President  
Wanganui Water Ski Club  
PO Box 840  
Wanganui 4500

Our ref: 01-TE-22  
By post and email

Dear Ron,

**MARITIME RULE PART 91, NAVIGATION SAFETY RULES: TEMPORARY EVENTS APPLICATION**

We refer to your application of 01 August 2022 in relation to temporary events which require a reserved area and speed uplifting.

Maritime New Zealand has assessed this application against the requirements of the Maritime Transport Act 1994 and the Maritime Rules. We are pleased to advise that, in accordance with Maritime Rule 91.19, your temporary events application has been granted, subject to the conditions set out below.

Maritime New Zealand is not the responsible agency for assessing whether your safety management plan adequately manages the risk for your event participants and support staff/volunteers except where the risk relates to navigation safety.

The Temporary Events dates are as follows:

Dates	Event	Place
10 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	NZTWSA Coaching Week	Lake Wairitua, Wanganui
30 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	WWSC Opening Day	Lake Wairitua, Wanganui
25 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	Central Region Senior Coaching & Driver Training	Lake Wairitua, Wanganui
16 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	NZTWSA Coaching Week	Lake Wairitua, Wanganui
21 <sup>st</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2023	Wanganui Goldstar Tournament	Lake Wairitua, Wanganui
9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	NZ Masters Games	Lake Wairitua, Wanganui

18 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Central Region Champs	Lake Wairua, Wanganui
15 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Wanganui Club Champs	Lake Wairua, Wanganui

Furthermore; the Temporary Event is also for the 2022/2023 summer/autumn training period for the Wanganui Water Ski Club, between 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022 and 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023 inclusive.

Times	Event	Place
Each Tuesday and Thursday evening from 1700 to dusk  Each Sunday morning from dawn to 1000	Wanganui Water Ski Club  2023/2023 summer/autumn training period	Lake Wairua, Wanganui

Event Conditions Imposed
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Suspension of speed restrictions <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Maritime rules 91.6(1)(b), (five knot restriction within 200 metres of the shore) and 91.6(3) (five knot towing speed restriction) are suspended for the purposes and duration of the Temporary Events noted above. (See Appendix 2 for the full text of these rules).</li> <li>b. The speed uplifting does not apply outside of daylight hours</li> <li>c. The speed uplifting is not valid in the event of any racing activity</li> <li>d. The speed uplifting only applies within the shaded area in the chart in Appendix 1</li> <li>e. During the suspension of rule 91.6, the southern end of Lake Wairua remains available to other users or craft</li> <li>f. All other requirements of the navigation safety rules still apply.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Reserved area <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The area of water marked in light blue shown in Appendix 1 is reserved for the duration and sole purpose of the events specified above.</li> <li>b. In the interests of the safety of both the general public and participants in the events, other users are excluded from this area for the duration of these events.</li> <li>c. The reserved area should allow for a sufficient safety buffer around the circuit and for flexibility in the exact marking of the course for the events according to conditions as the event organiser sees fit.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Notification <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The club <b>must</b> publicly notify each event, no less than 7 or more than 14 days before the commencement of each event, by notice published in one or more of the region's daily newspapers. The notification must clearly identify the area to which it applies, give dates and times, the nature of the event and the responsible organising body.</li> <li>b. The club may also notify the public by other means eg; social media or websites.</li> <li>c. Notification signs should be in place at boat ramps notifying other users of the date, time and nature of the event at least 7 days prior to the event.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

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| <p>4. Patrol/safety vessels shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. only be crewed by people (masters and crew) who have attended a briefing by the event safety officer; and</li><li>b. have a functional VHF radio</li><li>c. be clearly marked, flying a specific flag</li></ul>  |
| <p>5. Health and Safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. All events must be operated in compliance with the NZ Tournament Water Skiing Association Event Health and Safety Plan.</li><li>b. Land bases for transfer of patients from boats to land ambulances must be identified.</li><li>c. Spectator zones must be clearly marked for events.</li><li>d. Wanganui Water Ski Club shall, in the event of an accident involving structural damage to a vessel or injury to personnel (crew, member or public):<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) Immediately advise Maritime Officer, Guy Mexted, on 027 247 0641 and <a href="mailto:guy.mexted@maritimenz.govt.nz">guy.mexted@maritimenz.govt.nz</a>; and</li><li>(ii) As soon as practicable advise Maritime NZ on the toll free 'accident reporting line' 0508 222 433, and complete the online notification form <a href="https://services.maritimenz.govt.nz/incident/">https://services.maritimenz.govt.nz/incident/</a></li></ul></li></ul> |
| <p>6. All participants must avoid the consumption of any alcoholic beverages until after the day's event has finished and all are off the water.</p>   |
| <p>7. The Temporary Events grant applies only where associated activity is carried out in accordance with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. information in the application and safety plan provided, and</li><li>b. the conditions imposed by the Director.</li></ul>  |

This Temporary Events application is granted under Maritime Rule 91.19, in accordance with my delegated authority from the Director of Maritime NZ under section 443 of the Maritime Transport Act 1994. This grant has been made solely on the basis of your written application and any subsequent written information obtained from you as the club president. If you have not provided all relevant information this grant may be revoked at any stage.

Yours sincerely



Guy Mexted  
**Maritime Officer**  
(Acting under delegated authority)



Appendix 1: Lake Wiritoa Chart



## Appendix 2: Maritime Rules

The full text of Maritime Rules Part 91 – Navigation Safety Rules can be found at: [www.maritimenz.govt.nz/rules/part-91/](http://www.maritimenz.govt.nz/rules/part-91/) ([link](#)).

### 91.6 Speed of vessels

- (1) No person may, without reasonable excuse, propel or navigate a vessel (including a vessel towing a person or an object) at a proper speed exceeding 5 knots:
  - (a) within 50 metres of any other vessel, raft, or person in the water; or
  - (b) **within 200 metres of the shore or of any structure; or**
  - (c) within 200 metres of any vessel or raft that is flying Flag A of the International Code of Signals (divers flag).
- (2) No person may propel or navigate a powered vessel at a proper speed exceeding 5 knots while any person has any portion of his or her body extending over the fore part, bow, or side of that vessel.
- (3) **No person may cause himself or herself to be towed by a vessel (whether or not on a water ski, aquaplane, or other similar object) at a proper speed exceeding 5 knots in any circumstances specified in rule 91.6(1).**
- (4) No person in charge of a vessel may permit the vessel to continue onwards, after any person being towed by that vessel has dropped (whether accidentally or otherwise) any water ski or similar object which may cause danger to any other person or vessel, without first taking appropriate action to immediately recover that water ski or similar object, unless the person has taken measures adequate to ensure that the dropped ski or similar object is clearly visible to other water users.
- (5) Rule 91.6(1)(a) shall not apply to:
  - (a) a vessel over 500 gross tonnage, if the vessel cannot be safely navigated in compliance with this clause; or
  - (b) a vessel powered by sail in relation to any other vessel powered by sail, while the vessels are participating in a yacht race or training administered by—
    - (i) a club affiliated to Yachting New Zealand; or
    - (ii) a non profit organisation involved in sail training or racing; or
  - (c) a craft training for or participating in competitive rowing or paddling; or
  - (d) a tug, pilot vessel, harbourmaster vessel, emergency response craft or police vessel, if the vessel's duties cannot be performed in compliance with this clause; or
  - (e) a vessel operating in accordance with a speed uplifting—
    - (i) established under rule 91.19; or
    - (ii) established under rule 91.20; or
    - (iii) continued by rule 91.22; or
    - (iv) established for any river by navigation bylaw.
- (6) Rule 91.6(1)(b) shall not apply to:
  - (a) a vessel operating in an access lane or a reserved area for the purpose for which the access lane or reserved area was declared, unless, in the case of a reserved area, a navigation bylaw provides otherwise; or
  - (b) a vessel operating in accordance with a speed uplifting—
    - (i) established under rule 91.19; or
    - (ii) established under rule 91.20; or
    - (iii) continued by rule 91.22; or
    - (iv) established for inland waters by navigation bylaw; or
  - (c) a vessel over 500 gross tonnage, if the vessel cannot be safely navigated in compliance with this clause; or
  - (d) a craft training for or participating in competitive rowing or paddling; or
  - (e) a tug, pilot vessel, harbourmaster vessel, emergency response craft or police vessel when the vessel's duties cannot be performed in compliance with this clause.