

Regatta Coach and Support Person Protocol at SSCBC



This policy applies to Coaches and Support People at SSCBC Regattas. Separate Policies apply to Coaches and Instructors working independently or through the training center.

SSCBC respects and values the contributions made by Coaches and Support Persons to sailors and the overall efficiency and safety of Regattas at the club.

The valuable contributions come about by joint commitment and collaboration to the delivery of the best outcomes for all sailors in a structured manner as follows.

- All on water Coaches and Support Persons using SSCBC facilities are required to register with the SSCBC Organizing Authority (OA)
- Registration includes specifically agreeing to the YA/SSCBC MPP Codes of Conduct, Regatta Procedures and to follow Officials' requests.
- Registration at bona fide Club competition or training means that support boats are exempted from certain provisions of the Marine Safety Act:
 - The 5 knot speed restriction within 30m of another event vessel.¹
 - When Type 1 or 2 PFDs are worn by all people on the boat, a Type 1 PFD need not be carried for each person²
 - Interstate registered support boats are exempted from the carriage of safety equipment required on Victorian waters, provided they carry the safety equipment required in the state the boat is registered.

Coaches, support persons and their boats agree that by participating in the regatta:

- They will co-operate with the Race Committee on any matters of safety and sailor well being;
- Shall be sensitive to the wake, wash and windage of their boat and ensure it does not interfere with sailing boats at all times as well as staying well clear of boats racing;
- They shall not give outside assistance to boats that are racing; and
- Stay outside any areas identified by the race committee.

Where appropriate the Race Committee may advise of an infraction, suspend the support persons from races, club grounds and buildings or initiate action under the Racing Rules of Sailing or the Club's Member Protection Policy for breaches of instructions or codes.

¹ Page 105 of the Victorian Recreational Boating Safety Handbook 2014