











Personal Water Craft (PWC) Safety Requirements

Protected Waters

Within 400m of the mainland shore and all lakes, rivers, inlets and estuaries except for Lake Argyle and Cambridge Gulf

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|  | <p>Recreational Skipper's Ticket The skipper of a PWC, powered by a motor greater than 6hp must hold an RST. Age Restrictions Apply: Persons under 16 are restricted to a maximum speed of 8 knots.</p> | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
|  | <p>Lifejacket Every person on board a PWC must wear a lifejacket at all times. A lifejacket bearing the label 50S (or higher) with the Australian Standard AS1512, AS 4758, AS1499, AS2260 or ISO 12402 must be worn by every person onboard, as prescribed in the table opposite.</p> | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
|  | <p>Red and Orange Flares (in date) At least two hand held red flares and two hand held orange flares must be carried if operating more than 400 metres (m) from the shore. Two parachute flares may be carried in lieu of the two hand held red flares and a smoke canister may be carried in lieu of the smoke flares.</p> | — | ✓ | ✓ |
|  | <p>EPIRB AS/NZS 4280.1 (in date) A 406 MHz EPIRB registered with AMSA must be carried if proceeding more than 2 n mile from the mainland shore or more than 400m from an island located more than 2 n mile from the mainland shore.</p> | — | — | ✓ |
|  | <p>Freestyling and/or wake jumping is prohibited within:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> any speed restricted area; 30m of another PWC; 50m of another vessel or person in the water; and freestyling prohibited areas. | | | |
|  | <p>A maximum speed limit of 8 knots applies when navigating:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> in an 8 knot speed restricted area; through an arch of a bridge; in or through a mooring area; in any water having a depth of less than 3 metres; within 15m of a vessel underway; and within 50m of a moored vessel, a person in the water, a jetty or wharf, or a river bank or low water mark. | | | |
|  | <p>Less than 3.75m = Less than 5 n mile offshore Vessels less than 3.75m in length must remain within 5 n mile of the mainland shore or within 1 n mile of an island.</p> | | | |
|  | <p>Remember — Noise Annoys!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider other people; and Avoid offensive behaviour. | | | |