



## Water Ski Rules

- Boat Hours:
  - 8.30am to 8.00pm - November, December, January, February, March, April.
  - 8.30am to 5.30pm - September and October.
- Swimming is prohibited in gazetted ski area during Water Skiing hours.
- All boat drivers must be licensed and comply with the Marine Act.
- All boats must carry relevant safety equipment and comply with Marine Act.
- All inboard boats must be fitted with approved silencers with full flow cooling water running through them.
- All boats towing skiers must have an observer 12 years of age or older.
- Boats must keep to the Right Hand side of the river.
- Boats must not follow in the wake of a boat towing a skier.
- Hand signals **must** be given to indicate a fallen skier in the water, and **must** be acknowledged by any approaching boats to indicate that they are aware of the fallen skier.
- No alcohol is to be consumed in a boat at anytime.
- Releasing of trick skiers is to be done only by the observer (Not the driver).
- Boats must be removed from the river for refuelling.
- No inflatable objects are to be towed.
- The use of artificial wedges and fat sacks to create oversized wakes is prohibited.
- Wake enhanced boats are prohibited.

## Slalom Course & Jump

This area is approximately 50 metres upstream of the town water pumping station through to the 5 knot zone approximately 150 metres south of the Calder Highway Bridge and during skiing hours is used exclusively for the purpose of either water ski jumping or slalom.

- Course use consists of 6 slalom runs (Regardless of falls) & 4 Jump passes.
- Use of the course requires a fee payable to an authorised member of the Bridgewater Ski Club.
- Bridgewater Water Ski Club members are liable for any course fees applicable for their visitors who may wish to use the course.
- Bridgewater club members are also liable for fees when driving for non members.
- Boats using the course transit lane have right of way.
- Flags must be placed in buoys to signal course in use.
- Transport Safety Victoria Laws are to be adhered to at all times when using the Slalom course.

