

Risk assessment template – Victoria Class racing during Covid-19

Company name: DQSC

Assessment carried out by: Victoria Class

Date of next review: 30 September 2020

Date assessment was carried out: 20 August 2020

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing to control the risks?	What further action do you need to take to control the risks?	Who needs to carry out the action?	When is the action needed by?	Done
General use of club buildings	Victoria competitors through surface transmission of Covid-19	<p>Repeated reminders re social distancing through enews and website; signage in club as well as dinghy park.</p> <p>Additional cleaning materials/hand sanitiser now present at all entrances to Club buildings and in toilets.</p>	<p>Victoria racers advised to wear gloves and face coverings for period of event?</p> <p>Victoria racers advised to bring own gloves and sanitiser to use at their convenience?</p> <p>Repeated reminder in competitor briefing that no one with any symptoms, however mild should visit the Club</p>	Those electing to attend the Victoria Race Meeting.	Continually	Continually

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Pontoon/balcony overcrowded, unable to maintain SD	Risk of airborne transmission between Victoria racers and other members	Members asked to only use the pontoon/balcony as strictly necessary for taking part or practicing in water sports	<p>Restrict access to the Club to Victoria racers for periods of the race.</p> <p>Write procedure on this basis, including times in advance for advertising club closure, signage requirements etc.</p>	<p>BA to get GC agreement to building procedure on this basis</p> <p>Rob Nunn (RN), Chris Sprules (CS) to write procedure</p> <p>Signs to be produced</p>	<p>BA by end June</p> <p>30 June 2020</p> <p>30 June 2020</p>	<p>22 June 2020</p> <p>30 June 2020</p> <p>30 June 2020</p>
Use of Clubroom impacts on ability to SD and increases touch points on door handles etc.	Risk of airborne transmission between Victoria racers and touch transmission on surfaces	Clubroom currently not open for general use	<p>Procedure to state that rigging preferably done outside; and</p> <p>If rigging indoors, tables to be wiped with anti-viral wipes prior to use, table spacing to be iaw government guidelines.</p>	<p>RN, CS to write procedure</p> <p>Club to provide packet of wipes to those identified as 'DO' for these events</p>	30 June 2020	30 June 2020

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			<p>If SD still cannot be achieved, event will be cancelled</p> <p>Procedure to state that doors from Clubroom to balcony opened by nominated 'DO' and remain open for period of event.</p>			
Face to face meeting with other Club members	Risk of airborne transmission between Victoria racers and other members	Balcony/ pontoon restricted to Victoria racers for periods of the race	<p>Tape on floor of Clubroom to show access route to pump switch, sign indicating no crossing of the tape while Victorias in the Clubroom.</p> <p>One way system for the use of the toilets in via the main door and out via the lounge to the main club room.</p>	<p>Piers Chamberlain</p> <p>Piers Chamberlain</p>	<p>30 June 2020</p> <p>30 June 2020</p>	<p>14 July 2020 (supply of tape delayed)</p> <p>30 June 2020</p>

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Face to face meeting of competitors. (see risk levels at the end of the document)	Victoria class competitors	See risk statements above	Briefing to competitors to be respectful when passing on the pontoon (turn away from face to face, maximise use of the width of the pontoon, pass quickly) Face coverings to be worn by competitors as required.	Victoria class competitors	30 June 2020	30 June 2020
Requirement for Track and Trace	Any member attending the clubhouse	Members recorded as those signing on for the race. Further developed is an App for electronically recording	Signing on Sheet active on website Note book provided in foyer and a QR code system in place for electronic recording	All Victoria Racers and any member attending the clubhouse or other areas	30 June 2020	30 June 2020 15 July 2020
Decontamination of Victoria Class Yachts after racing	The owner of the vessel from water contamination (possible output	Owners to wash the boats to remove salt water or other contaminates.	Owners to wear gloves and wash hands in soap and water. Provide hand sanitizer.	Owners	On the day of the race event.	After each event

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	from sewage treatment works or from discharge from vessels using the harbour). The vessel itself as it is not a robust structure					

Risk of Transmission of Covid-19

It has now been scientifically concluded that the main vectors of transmission of coronavirus are

- Direct face to face meeting at less than 1m. High risk
- Contact with contaminated surfaces High risk
- Remaining within 2m for > 15mins High risk
- Limited direct face to face meeting at distances 1-2 m Medium risk
- (The risk of transmission increases rapidly as face to face contact reduces from 2m or contact time increases
- Passing quickly at less than 2m Low risk
- Meeting briefly within 2 meters without face to face contact Low risk

Meeting < 6secs

Low risk

Meeting outside

Low risk

In short, there is no absolute rule for safe distancing. Latest research shows that risk is negligible unless the person you are with coughs or sneezes. The risk decreases between 1 and 3 m distancing. Meeting of less than 6 secs produce v. small risk, above 15 mins risk becomes higher. Being outside reduces the risk considerably as does wind.

It would seem that any meeting with someone who has no symptoms, outside, that lasted less than 6 secs, that did not involve face to face conversation would pose an extremely small risk.

More information on managing risk: www.hse.gov.uk/simple-health-safety/risk/

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