

LIFEJACKETS – COMPULSORY WEARING REQUIREMENTS

<i>Situation</i>	NSW Current	NSW proposed	NMSC* National Standard	Tas	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	NT
<i>Power driven vessels to 4.8m</i>		at night; on ocean waters; on alpine lakes; boating alone			in open area of vessel underway				
<i>Power driven vessels <6m (when in open area of vessel when under power)</i>				✓					
<i>PWC</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
<i>Sailboard</i>	>400m from shore	>100m from shore in sheltered waters & all times in ocean waters	✓		✓			✓	
<i>Kitesurfing</i>	>400m from shore	>100m from shore in sheltered waters & all times in ocean waters			✓			✓	
<i>Canoe/kayak</i>	>400m from shore	>100m from shore in sheltered waters & all times in ocean waters	✓	✓	✓			✓	
<i>When being towed by vessel</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	
<i>Off the beach sailing vessels (eg centreboard boats and catamarans)</i>		in ocean waters	✓		✓			✓	
<i>'heightened risk' situations</i>		Skipper judgement & direction (eg deteriorating weather, at night, can't swim, vessel broken down)			✓				
<i>Alpine Lakes (as defined)</i>		When in power driven vessel to 4.8m							
<i>Children</i>		<10yrs in vessel <4.8m at all times <10yrs in vessel <8m in open area of vessel when underway		<12yrs open area of vessel underway	<10yrs open area of vessel underway	<12yrs in vessels <4.8M			
<i>Crossing ocean bars</i>	✓	✓			✓	<4.8m vessel			
<i>Tenders</i>		>400m from shore			✓			✓ >1500m from shore	
<i>Pedal boats/fun boat</i>					✓				

* National Marine Safety Committee was established under an inter-government agreement and promotes uniform national standards.