



Aquatic Licence and what it means to you and your club

Maritime NSW is concerned with the conduct of sailing vessels competing in races under Aquatic Licences and reminds club members of the conditions of the Aquatic Licence which clearly state that:

All competitors must abide by traffic directions of NSW Maritime Boating Service Officers. Any competitor, so directed to stop by NSW Maritime Boating Service Officers as a result of an incident/collision or complaint shall do so immediately.

And;

All competitors must be briefed in relation to obligations to **keep well clear of shipping.**

The *Water Traffic Regulations* provides for a penalty notice to be issued to the master of the vessel for impeding a seagoing vessel or ferry which can carry a penalty of up to \$1500.

The *Water Traffic Regulations* also provides for a penalty notice to be issued to the Aquatic licensee which can carry a penalty of up to \$1500. Non-compliance with the conditions of the Aquatic Licence with regard to the above issues may result in the cancellation of the Licence.

Any displays of non compliance of the above nature will result in NSW Maritime issuing a Penalty Notice to the Master of the vessel involved and a Penalty Notice to the Aquatic Licensee.