**Albert Sailing Club COVID Safe Plan 12 October 2020

Introduction**
The COVID-19 outbreak continues to be an evolving situation that presents challenges to Albert Sailing Club and the wider community.

The health and safety of our members, visitors, volunteers, contractors, and external users of club facilities is a priority. The effective management of the COVID-19 situation relies on people taking individual and collective responsibility.

Necessary measures are being taken to reduce the risk of infection from COVID-19 at Albert Sailing Club (ASC). We will continue to carefully review and consider Government community regulations, and specific guidance from Government and relevant bodies, such as Australian Sailing, that affects activities at our sailing club.

**COVID Team**
 ASC has appointed a COVID-19 task group to develop and oversight the implementation of COVID19 related policies and procedures .
As at 1 October 2020 this group is : Rod Thomas , Tony Schalken and Cindy Tilbrook
. Rod coordinates the development and implementation of ASC COVID Plan and guidelines
. Tony will assist with checklist actions and with Supervising Officers on club days.
. Cindy, as ASC Commodore, will ensure integration of the COVID19 approach across ASC's policies and procedures and be the key contact for stakeholder communications.
Policies will be approved by the ASC General Committee. The ASC committee members have authority to enforce the COOVID Safe Plan with members and visitors and can ask anyone not complying to leave the club.

**Government and Recreational Boating Regulations and Guidelines**

 **Victorian Restrictions**
 → Click here to view [**Current Government COVID19 restrictions**](https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/victorias-restriction-levels-covid-19)

 **On Water Regulations and guidelines**
 Australian Sailing provides interpretations on sailing activities including club racing,
 events and training, and the use of club facilities, based on Government
 regulations and guidelines
 → Click here for [Australian Sailing COVID-19 Information hub - Victoria](https://www.sailingresources.org.au/covid-19/vic/)
 **Communications**
ASC has a range of stakeholders to keep informed. This includes members and visitors to the club and stakeholders such as Parks Victoria, Australian Sailing, SEDA educational group, other sailing clubs and other Albert Park Reserve user clubs and organisations.

We aim to communicate messages on our club's offerings and COVID measures in a well-timed manner on a wide range of platforms. This includes :
- communications via email, website, telecommunications and social media platforms.
- onsite communications via signage, posters, verbal and in-person means at ASC facilities.

***Current information on our club's COVID19 approach is provided on our dedicated Coronavirus webpage*** →Click here to view [Albert Sailing Club COVID-19 guidelines](https://albertsc.org.au/index.php/about-1/covid19-asc-guidelines)

We encourage everyone to stay safe, recognise risks, and to take personal responsibility for their own health and following COVID19 guidelines.We will provide updates, be open to feedback, and respond to suggestions.

Key considerations in our ASC COVID19 guidelines include :

**Personal Health and Safety** Considerations for Members and Visitors to reduce risk of COVID19 infection when at ASC or its surrounds based on Victorian DHHS advice.

**Use of Club Facilities** Based on Government regulations and guidelines on use of facilities to minimise risk of COVID19 infections and their specific application to ASC facilities.

**Process for a confirmed COVID19 Case**
This is the ASC process for a person diagnosed with COVID19 who visited the club a week or so either side of their COVID diagnosis or who has been in recent contact with someone who has. The process is to ensure : timely reporting, contact tracing, stakeholder communications (including to members) and required cleaning before the facility re-opens. Personal support, DHHS involvement, cleaning and Privacy are important considerations.

**Club Sailing and Training Activity considerations**
Details some of the changes and considerations in club racing, training and casual sailing activities. This includes a guideline on use of powerboats (incl. RHIB's) and race management equipment.

**Clubhouse and equipment cleaning.**Cleaning is anindividual and collective responsibility.
The club has contract cleaners who clean club facilities once per week. More if required.
Individual members, visitors and users of club facilities have responsibility for their personal hygiene and cleaning of shared surfaces they touch at the club and of their own equipment.

The club committee will do its best to provide oversight and cleaning support on programmed days. An Albert Sailing Club COVID19 Management checklist for ASC activity days is provided in [Albert Sailing Club COVID-19 guidelines](https://albertsc.org.au/index.php/about-1/covid19-asc-guidelines)

***Approved ASC committee, 12 October 2020 Author : Rod Thomas for ASC Committee***