

## RGYC Volunteer Duty Description      Rescue Boat Crew

### 1. DUTY OVERVIEW

Without a Rescue Boat Crew, OTB boats are NOT to leave the beach on Race Day. No Rescue Boat No sailing.

The role of the **Rescue Boat Crew** is to ensure all OTB sailors get safely back on the beach by providing assistance should a sailor require it.

### 2. REQUIREMENTS / QUALIFICATIONS

OTB Rescue Boat Crew duty requires the volunteer to have a current WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK in accordance with Club policy.

It is a compulsory requirement of the State Government that all volunteers, officials and anyone with supervision of children at grassroots sports (or events) hold a valid Working with Children permit. RGYC encourages visitation and participation from people of all ages, and therefore all of our volunteers are required to complete the Working With Children Check (WWCC). The WWCC is **free for volunteers**.

If you do not already have a WWCC, please visit [workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/about-the-check/when-you-need-a-check](http://workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/about-the-check/when-you-need-a-check)

and complete your application online before continuing with this volunteer form. If you require assistance in completing the online WWCC application, the RGYC office would be happy to assist you - please visit reception or phone (03) 52293705.

Once you have obtained your WWCC, please provide the details via RGYC website/ Volunteers or contact the RGYC office for assistance

### 3. DUTY DURATION

**Start Time**      The Rescue Boat Driver needs to be at the club before briefing which is normally 12:00 hrs. The Calendar is published on the club site, time can change, allow 2 hours prior to race start. [RGYC-Racing-Calendar](#)

**Finish Time**      Typically about 16:30, depending what is happening on the day.

### 4. WHO TO I REPORT TOO

The Rescue Boat Driver is to report to the Race Officer RO, they will be person conducting the briefing.

Confirm which boat the RO is using and when it's leaving the marina.

### 5. WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING

The Rescue Boat Crew needs to bring what would normally be required for a day outside:

- Hat, jacket, clothes suitable for the weather forecast for that day.
- Suncream, the club provides it but you may prefer your own
- Food, we have the Yot café at the club, but of course you can bring own.
- Water is available

### 6. WHAT EQUIPMENT DOES THE CLUB SUPPLY

The club will provide,                  None required

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### **7.      WHERE WILL I FIND THE EQUIPMENT I NEED**

The equipment needed can be signed out and signed back in, in the Sailing Managers Office. Which is located on the same side of the building as reception, just follow the passage to the end.

### **8.      DUTY DESCRIPTION**

The role of Rescue Boat Crew includes the following tasks:

- Collect the equipment referred as per paragraph 6 above.
- Report to RO as per paragraph 4 above.
- Discuss with the RO at briefing what they want the Rescue boat to do, including
  - Following the boats out to the race area
  - Where to station during the race so the fleet can be monitored. For triangle courses, the wing mark is a good place as boats often capsize when jibing.
  - Following the boats into the shore
- The rescue boat crew may be required to assist sailors in wide variety of circumstances Including.
  - Assisting with capsized boats,
  - Recovering sailors who get separated from their boats.
  - Escorting Boats back to Shore,
  - Towing boats back to shore,
  - Derigging boats on water.

Note    performing the duties of a Rescue boat crew could involve getting wet.