



LAKE HAMILTON USAGE POLICY

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1. AIM

The aim of this Policy is to set out the times for non-powered and powered vessels to use Lake Hamilton under section 85(3)(c) of the Southern Grampians Shire Council’s Community Local Law No. 1 of 2015 (“the Local Law”).

2. SCOPE, APPLICATION & RESPONSIBILITIES

This Policy is made under section 85(3)(c) of the Local Law.

This Policy applies to all users of Lake Hamilton Waterway and must be read in conjunction with section 85 of the Local Law. The Local Law deals with other usage including, but not limited to, the Restricted Area of Lake Hamilton, powered boats travelling under 5 knots and Exclusive Use.

All users of Lake Hamilton Waterway are responsible for complying with this Policy.

3. UNRESTRICTED AREA USAGE TIMES

In accordance with section 85(3)(c) the Lake Hamilton usage times are as follows:

1. Non-powered vessels may use the unrestricted area of Lake Hamilton:
 - a) Up until 11am every day; and
 - b) All day Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays;
2. Powered vessels may use the unrestricted area of Lake Hamilton:
 - a) From 11am until sunset on Mondays, Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays.

Day	Up until 11am	From 11am
Monday	Non-powered vessels	Powered vessels
Tuesday	Non-powered vessels	Non-powered vessels
Wednesday	Non-powered vessels	Non-powered vessels
Thursday	Non-powered vessels	Non-powered vessels
Friday	Non-powered vessels	Powered vessels
Saturday	Non-powered vessels	Powered vessels
Sunday and Public Holidays	Non-powered vessels	Powered vessels

3. If the lake is vacant users may access the lake outside of the usage times specified above, provided they immediately exit the lake when a designated vessel requires access.

4. EXEMPTIONS

Exemptions to the above usage times may be granted in accordance with section 85 of the Local Law.

5. COMPLIANCE

Compliance with this Policy, including associated guidelines, is mandatory. Penalties for breaching this Policy are set out in section 85 and Schedule 3 of the Local Law.

6. REVIEW

This policy must be reviewed at least every three years.

7. COMMENCEMENT

This Policy came into operation on 8 June 2016. This is the 1st version of the Southern Grampians Shire Council's Lake Hamilton Usage Policy.

APPENDIX 1 – SCHEDULE 1 COMMUNITY LOCAL LAW No. 1 of 2015

Map of Lake Hamilton Reserve

**SCHEDULE 1
LAKE HAMILTON RESERVE**

