Out & About
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Personal Watercraft

As part of our commitment to advancing sustainable tourism, we encourage our tourism partners to improve their sustainability performance by providing them with the guidance below.

✓ Ensure applicable legal **permits & permission** to access the activity area are in place

✓ Ensure **insurance** is in place for guests and team

✓ Identify **health & safety** risks, implement management systems, and provide appropriate safety equipment

✓ Ensure enough team members are available in case of **emergency**

✓ Monitor activity **area conditions** (including weather) in advance & during the activity

✓ Be familiar with activity area and ensure that **navigation and communication** tools are in good working order

✓ Maximise local **economic benefits** through employment and purchasing

✓ Avoid single use & disposable items, provide adequate **waste** collection facilities for safe disposal, and pick up rubbish found in the area

✓ Use **eco-friendly products**, e.g., cleaning products

✓ Be **waterwise** and take pro-active measures to use water sparingly

✓ Minimise **energy** used in the activity as part of a climate action strategy

✓ **Refuel** watercraft on land, where possible, and use fuel collar / bib to catch drips, overflow

✓ Fit machines with **noise prevention equipment**, where available

✓ Provide **information in advance** about your sustainability actions, activity accessibility, what to expect, and what to bring with

✓ **Screen participants** ahead of time to make sure that the activity is well suited to their fitness & level of ability

✓ Manage **group size** to minimise impacts on people & the planet

✓ Obtain written confirmation, e.g., via **indemnity**, that participants are aware of activity risks

✓ **Brief participants** before the activity starts about do's and don'ts, safety, what to expect, logistics, conduct (e.g., safe operation, etiquette around wildlife and other users, applicable speed restrictions), and prohibited areas

✓ Launch watercraft at **designated ramps** / launch points only

✓ Operate watercraft in **designated areas** only, at a safe distance from swimming areas, away from sensitive wildlife areas, and away from areas where noise may disturb other users or residents

✓ **Share information** about local nature & culture, as well as social development / conservation projects that participants may want to support

✓ Show **respect** for the land, waterways, wildlife, and other activity area users

✓ Repair and compensate for any **damage** caused to the activity area

✓ Participate in conserving activity area **integrity**; notify authorities of concerns and participate in rehabilitation projects

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