Ending up in the water is one of the greatest risks to the safety of boaters and paddlers in Victorian waters. Maritime Safety Victoria experts advise there are five fundamental steps to help ensure your survival.

1. Know the weather
2. Practise getting back on
3. Carry a distress beacon
4. Lock in a buddy plan
5. Wear a lifejacket

Local boating safety: Strathbogie Shire Council

For more information, call 1800 065 993

Visit: msv.vic.gov.au/prepare

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On all Victorian waters a maximum speed of 5 knots applies within a distance of:

- 50m of a person in the water
- 100m of a vessel or buoy
- 150m of a vessel or buoy which a white/blue 'diver below' flag is displayed

* 5 knots is a fast walking pace or almost 10 kph