

Logon/Logoff Service

Log On to make every journey safer

Log On whenever you're heading out on the water and **Log Off** when you return. We'll stand watch. If you don't **Log Off** as planned, our members will start searching for you.

To **Log On**, call Marine Rescue Lake Macquarie on VHF Channel 16 or use the free **MarineRescue App**. You can download the App at the App Store for Apple devices or Google Play for Android devices.



You can always **Log On**, whether you're out for a morning's fishing, a day trip around your local area or cruising along the coastline. And it doesn't matter if you're on a tinnie, a cruiser, a yacht, a kayak, a canoe or a jet ski.

When you **Log On** via radio the radio operator will ask you for some basic information about your vessel, your destination, return time and contacts. To assist, you can download a **Log On Form** from our website Boating Menu.

You'll enter the same details into your smartphone or other device that you would give the radio operator logging on by radio as you would when you use the MarineRescue app.

If you don't **Log Off**, this information will help us find you, whether you've simply forgotten to **Log Off** when you have safely returned or you're caught in an emergency and need help fast.

Once you have logged on for the first time you only need to tell us:

- Your boat registration number
- Where you're leaving from
- Where you're heading
- What time you plan to return
- The number of people on board
- Your mobile phone number

If the fish are biting and you decide to stay out longer, simply call the base on VHF Channel 16 or use the MarineRescue App to update your arrival time.

Remember to Logoff when you're safely back on shore. If you haven't let us know you're back safely, we'll start to look for you. We'll try calling you first up, just in case you've forgotten to Log Off and headed home with your catch. That's the best outcome. If we get no answer, we'll step up the response.

When you **Log On via the App choose the live safety tracking option**, your position is then updated in our vessel tracking system every 30 minutes. This means that in an emergency, our rescue crews will have a starting point for the search operation, based on your last known position, saving valuable time when minutes can mean the difference between life and death.

Skeds

If you're travelling along the coastline, we encourage you to establish a voyage plan with Marine Rescue NSW and an offshore tracking schedule for you to check in (to 'sked') with our bases along your route. This lets us know that you're travelling safely, on schedule and not in need of emergency help. We'll keep track of your progress until you safely arrive at your destination in NSW or we hand you over to the marine rescue service in the next State if you're travelling further north or south.