Hobson Bay Running Club will endeavour to keep all members advised of any forecast extremes in weather conditions that coincide with a scheduled group run. In instances where the risk is deemed to be unacceptable to member's health - such as extreme temperatures, flood, fire or severe storm warmings - runs will be cancelled and a notification made on our Facebook Page.

Weather

Where an extreme weather condition has been forecast, the Session Leader will modify or cancel the run accordingly. If the apparent temperature ('App Temp') at 5.00pm, is 32°C using the Viewbank observation from the Bureau of Meteorology website (www.bom.gov.au/vic/observations/melbourne.shtml), runs will be changed to a Strength and Conditioning session (pending Run Leader availability). However, if the temperature at 5.00pm exceeds 35°C all HBRC sessions will be cancelled.

When a cancellation occurs, the Run Leader must notify the President, Secretary, Coach Coordinator(if appointed) and Social Media Communications Officer so appropriate announcements can be made. We recommend all members be aware of forecast weather conditions when participating in group runs, so appropriate clothing is worn, and hydration is taken into consideration.

UV/Heat

Where possible, group runs will be scheduled to minimise exposure to high temperatures and high UV levels. It is the responsibility of each individual runner to wear appropriate clothing, sunscreen, and other appropriate sun-smart accessories (such as sunglasses or sun hats/visors, covered shoulders). It is also the responsibility of the individual runner to ensure they are well hydrated before taking part in any group runs organised by HBRC.

Fire

On days where high fire risk warnings are issued or likely, Run Leaders will monitor CFA and MFB websites and ensure that group runs are not conducted in areas that have a high bushfire risk or where there is a **Code Red or Extreme Rating** in place. Any planned runs will be adjusted or cancelled accordingly.

Storms

Group runs will not be conducted in the event of electrical storm (severe thunder and/or lightning) or when there are gale force winds forecast. Any planned runs will be adjusted or cancelled accordingly.

Approved by: Robert Falloon President October 2019 Secretary John Gray October 2019