



**YOUR SAFETY IS IMPORTANT TO
MYPONGA KAYAK HIRE.
READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO
STAY SAFE ON YOUR ADVENTURE!**

THE ENVIRONMENT

Please acknowledge the conservation of the natural environment of Myponga reservoir including the wildlife and vegetation. Be aware that this water is used for public consumption and do not contaminate the water with your body or by any other means. Please respect and comply with any signage or verbal directive given by SA Water. Please act in a responsible manner by being considerate of others and your surroundings **DO NOT LITTER**, pollute, smoke, disturb the site or others. Please comply with SA Waters full conditions of access and understand that SA Water may seek to expiate or prosecute for non-compliance with the access conditions, which can be found at <https://www.reservoirs.sa.gov.au/>

**RESPECT OTHERS, OUR KAYAKS, AND THE
ENVIRONMENT. BE REASONABLE, BE RESPONSIBLE
AND
HAVE FUN ON YOUR ADVENTURE!**



LATE RETURN OR NON-RETURN

0452 317 478

If you are running late returning from your kayak adventure, please contact us if able and advise us of your situation. We allow a 15-minute grace period, after that time if we do not receive any communication from you or we are unable to establish contact with you.

We will assume you require emergency services and will need to initiate our Emergency Procedure for Late and/or Non-Return kayakers.

ADVICE, ASSISTANCE OR EMERGENCY

If you have any issues that is not an emergency, please contact us immediately for advice or assistance.

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If you have an emergency, accident, collision, injury, or any other unsafe situation that requires immediate action by emergency services, **please contact 000**

If or when safe, please inform us of your emergency
0452 317 478



SAFETY TIPS

- As the paddler of your kayak, you are responsible for your safety and the safety of any other people on the vessel. If your kayak is taking on water – GET TO THE SHORE!
- For your safety we recommend carrying a means of communication (mobile phone in a waterproof bag or container). You are responsible for your belongings.
- Always wear your approved Australian Standard PFD (Personal Flotation Device). PFD is fitted with an alert whistle which is to be used only in an emergency. In an emergency you are to blow whistle 3 consecutive times. Each whistle blow is for 3 seconds.
- Be attentive and keep a proper lookout; be aware of hazards and changing conditions, including the weather and currents.
- Make sure your skills and fitness level are adequate for the area and the conditions where you are paddling. Wear appropriate clothing for conditions.
- Travel in a group where possible to maximise safety. All Minors/children must be closely accompanied and always supervised by a parent, adult and or guardian.



OUR KAYAKS ARE WIDE AND STABLE!

If you capsize, please follow the below instructions, if you are unable to right your kayak and believe it an emergency contact 000 and use your whistle.

To flip your kayak back upright, position yourself on the side of your kayak directly in the middle.

- ✓ Boost your body over the top of your overturned kayak and grab the opposite side/edge with your hands.
- ✓ Gently pull the kayak towards your body and roll (or flip) the kayak right-side up as you slide back into the water.
- ✓ To re-enter, position yourself on the side of your kayak directly in the middle and boost yourself up until your body is lying across the seat.
- ✓ Ensure your stable and twist your body around until you are back in the seated position.

Please be aware that SA Water may prosecute for physically entering the reservoir water above knee level. This is up to SA Waters discretion.



FIRE EMERGENCY PROCEDURE

- We ask that if our renters notice smoke or a fire to please ring 000 and if safe to do so ring Myponga Kayak Hire 0452 317 478.

- In the event of a fire in the reservoir, Myponga Kayak Hire ask that our renter's exit the reservoir at the safest exit as quickly and as calmly as possible and to inform us of their whereabouts when safe to do so.

- If any Emergency Services or SA Water staff/ rangers are onsite to please follow their directives.

- If safe to do so, we ask our renters to return to Myponga Kayak Hire at the reservoir so they can be accounted for, assess their safety and to follow further instructions. Or contact us to inform us of their whereabouts.

- If any Myponga Kayak Hire equipment needs to be abandoned due to fire, we kindly request that you could please supply us with a whereabouts of equipment when safe to do so.

- Please be aware that Myponga's Last Fire Resort Refuge is the Myponga Oval. Please make sure you are aware of the location.



FAQ'S

WHERE TO GO:

The kayak access car park is located at the end of **Eatts Street**, a continuation onto a dirt road with a 10km speed limit. Public Toilet is located at the car park. The kayak access is on the shoreline where your kayak conveniently awaits. Please allow time for PFD fitting and Safety Briefing, approximately 10-30 mins depending on the size of your group.

ABOUT OUR KAYAKS, AGE & WEIGHT REQUIREMENTS:

We recommend 12 years and above for single kayaks, unless experienced. Single kayak max weight limit is 120kg.

The Family/ Double Kayak can carry a middle passenger aged 4–6-year-old. The double/family kayaks max weight limit is 250kg.

Our kayaks are a sit on top style. All our kayaks are adaptable for fishing. All kayak hire includes PFD (Personal Flotation Device), oar, leash, and padded seat.

All Children kayaking must be always accompanied and supervised by an adult.

CAN A CHILD SHARE WITH AND ADULT ON A SINGLE KAYAK?

No

CAN I BRING MY PET/DOG

NO as per conditions of access to reservoir www.reservoirs.sa.gov.au

WHERE TO PUT MY BELONGINGS:

Myponga Kayak Hire are not responsible for your belongings. We suggest putting your belongings in a small waterproof container (one that floats), dry bag, or kitchen plastic lock bag. Alternatively leave in your car.

WHAT TO WEAR:

We are an **Outdoor Adventure Activity** therefore you may get wet, cold, hot etc. You may want to pack a change of clothes and towel. As you may get a little wet. Check the weather and dress accordingly. Sunscreen/hat-beanie/jacket, comfortable athletic attire etc. Your feet/shoes **will** get wet and muddy upon entering and exiting the kayak. (Below the knee only, in compliance with SA Water requirements). Wear appropriate footwear or none. **Apply sunscreen prior to arrival. There is a \$10 cleaning fee incurred for sunscreen damaged PFD's.**

CAN WE SHARE OUR KAYAKS AMONGST A LARGE GROUP?

We do not allow sharing of kayaks amongst multiple people/groups or any other third party(s) who have not made a booking. If you require further clarification, please contact us.

FISHING:

All our kayaks are fishing kayaks. We offer Fishing Hire \$20 for up to 2hrs, includes rod/ reel, 2-6 lures and a bucket. Or bring your own fishing equipment. A fishing permit is required, apply on line at www.reservoirs.sa.gov.au

Have your permit number readily available on the day or email it to us prior to your scheduled booking.

THE RESERVOIR WATER:

SA Water have guidelines regarding body immersion below knee height only amongst other requirements. SA water may seek to expiate or prosecute for non-compliance with SA Water access conditions. The water may be contaminated with blue/green algae. Full conditions of access can be found at www.reservoirs.sa.gov.au

WEATHER/CLOSURES:

We ask you keep an eye on the weather leading up to your booking

Wind Guide:

Light winds - less than 11knots or 19km per hour

Moderate winds – less than 17knots or 29km per hour

Strong wind - 25 to 33 knots

Gale warning – 34 to 47 knots

Storm Warning – 48 knots