## MARLOW TOWN REGATTA Saturday 14 June, 2025

## THUNDERSTORM PROTOCOL

In the event that racing has to be stopped due to Thunder / Lightning, the following protocol will be adopted:

- 1. Crews will alerted by umpires and marshals; warning horns will be sounded.
- 2. All competitors should return to their respective boating areas following the normal circulation pattern.
- 3. Boats are to be taken out of the water and put on trestles or trailers with ties, or in the MRC boathouse.
- 4. Umpires and safety boats to assist with marshalling crews returning to base.
- 5. Crews and volunteers in the boating area to take shelter in cars as far as possible until the all-clear is given. Do NOT shelter under trees or in marquees.
- 6. Crews returning to MRC should shelter in the boat bays or in the clubhouse.
- 7. Blades must not be left in the boating areas since this would create a trip hazard.
- 8. All umpire and safety launches to return to the finish and personnel to shelter in cars.
- 9. All other craft to return to MRC.
- 10. Everyone to help others as needed to make this as fast, safe and efficient as possible.

The decisions to stop / resume racing will be made by the Chief Umpire, following BR guidance on the "30-30 Rule".