

Manoeuvring Requirements in Port

Port Notice

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Version Control

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1. TITLE

Port Notice for ships' manœuvring requirements in port.

2. REFERENCE LEGISLATION

- *Navigation Act 2012*
- *Ports Management Act*
- *Marine Act*
- Technical and Safety Standards for Pilotage and Provision of Pilotage Services

3. SCOPE

This Port Notice applies within the designated Port of Darwin.

4. PREFACE

This Port Notice is issued pursuant to Section 57 of the *Ports Management Act*.

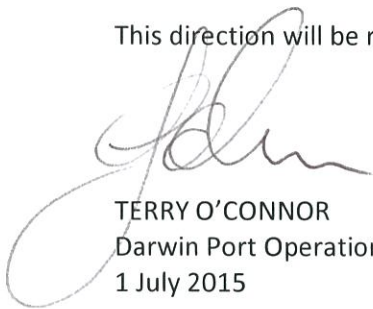
5. NOTICE

The master of every vessel shall, when underway within the designated Port of Darwin, ensure that:

- Automatic steering devices, if fitted, are not used, unless a competent helmsman is standing by in the immediate vicinity of the helm station or wheel and ready to assume hand-steering. Otherwise, vessels are to be in hand-steering mode;
- Any duplicate, secondary or backup steering gear and steering gear power systems are to be fully operational and ready for immediate use whilst vessels are navigating within port. Emergency steering gear systems should have been recently tested.
- The vessel's main engine(s) is immediately available for reducing speed, stopping or going astern at all times and without delay; and
- The vessel's anchors are available for immediate use in an emergency and capable of being used without power.

6. REVIEW STATEMENT

This direction will be reviewed biennially by the Port Management Officer.



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