

Port Procedures and Information for Shipping

Ports of Cape Flattery, Cooktown and Port Douglas

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Harbour Master's Direction
Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994
Division 2, Subdivision 1, Sections 88 – 92

I, **Captain David Ferguson**, Regional Harbour Master, Cairns am appointed as harbour master under part 7 of Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994.

Under section 86 of the Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994 a harbour master may give a direction only if the harbour master reasonably considers it necessary to ensure safety. Further, section 86A of the Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994 enables a harbour master to give a general direction that applies to all ship owners, ship masters, ships, other persons or matters.

I am satisfied that it is necessary to issue this direction to ensure marine safety in the Ports of Cape Flattery, Cooktown and Port Douglas. Sections of the Port Procedures and Information for Shipping – Ports of Cape Flattery, Cooktown and Port Douglas (<https://www.msq.qld.gov.au/Shipping>) are mandatory and must be complied with.

I DIRECT THAT:

The Port Procedures and Information for Shipping – Port of Cape Flattery, Cooktown and Port Douglas must be complied with by all vessels within the Port of Cape Flattery, Cooktown and Port Douglas.

Note:

It is an offence to fail to comply with my direction without reasonable excuse. It is also an offence to obstruct a harbour master in the exercise of a power. The maximum penalty is \$20,000 for an individual for each offence. If you fail to comply with my direction, then I may carry out the direction myself, and recover all expenses associated with performing the direction from you as a debt in civil jurisdiction.



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DATED AT CAIRNS THIS 3rd Day of June 2020

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