

9. Tug procedures

9.1 General

There is no exclusive license for towage in Port Alma. The minimum requirement is an ASD tug with a minimum 30t bollard pull. Where a tug other than those familiar to the port is proposed, details of the tug including its operator and crew shall be forwarded to the RHM for consideration and approval.

There is one ASD tug stationed at Port Alma with a minimum bollard pull of 30 tonnes. This is operated by Pacific Tug through Wide Bay Shipping Services (WBSS). Vessels that require towage service may make arrangement with Wide Bay Shipping Services without further reference to the RHM.

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Table 11 - Pacific Tug contact details

9.2 Tug requirement guidelines

Vessels over 90m should refer to Section 7.3.3 [Length restrictions](#) for information on vessels that are required to use a tug and in what configuration.

Generally the vessel's agent will requisition tug services via the QSHIPS programme (see [3.4 QSHIPS \(Queensland Shipping Information Planning System\)](#)).

9.3 Ships anchors

Ships anchors are used extensively for berthing/unberthing operations in Port Alma. Masters should ensure that the anchor winches and controls and communications to and from the bridge are in good working order. These two elements are crucial for the safe operation of berthing and unberthing any ship at Port Alma.