

## REVIEW PROCEDURES & RIGHTS

### THE FOLLOWING REVIEW PROCEDURES & RIGHTS ARE AVAILABLE IN RESPECT OF A PERMIT DECISION OF THE GREAT BARRIER REEF MARINE PARK AUTHORITY (GBRMPA)

- If you consider your interests are affected by a decision of the GBRMPA in relation to an application for a relevant permission, you have a statutory right to obtain a written statement of reasons for the decision and request the GBRMPA to reconsider the decision. Some types of applications and permissions limit the review procedures and rights to the applicant or permission holder only.
- The GBRMPA will reconsider the decision only where:
  - it receives a written request for reconsideration of the decision accompanied by a statement of the reasons for making the request; and
  - the request is made within 21 days of the date of publication of details of the decision on the GBRMPA website.
- Reconsiderations of the decision are carried out by a different GBRMPA delegate. Where the initial decision was made by the Chairperson of the GBRMPA, the decision is reconsidered by the GBRMPA Board.
- The delegate who reconsiders the decision may uphold the initial decision or vary or substitute the initial decision in which case the initial decision is taken for all purposes not to have been made.
- A reconsideration of the initial decision must be made by the GBRMPA within 30 business days of receipt of your request.
- No fee is payable for a request to reconsider a decision of the GBRMPA.
- You have the right to apply under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* for access to documents relating to the GBRMPA's decision. Applications for access to documents under this Act must be accompanied by the relevant fee and specify the documents sought. There may be further charges for search, retrieval, copying, decision-making time and postage.
- If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the reconsideration process, you may make application under the *Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act 1975* to the AAT for a review of the reconsidered decision of the GBRMPA. An application to the Administrative Appeal Tribunal may only be made in respect of a decision that has already undergone reconsideration by the GBRMPA.

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