## Vessel Identification Number (VIN) / Aircraft Identification Number (AIN) / Bareboat Identification Number (BIN)

# Vessel/Aircraft Identifiers

The objectives of vessel/aircraft identifiers are:

* To enable ready identification of vessels/aircraft/ being operated within the Marine Parks under a Marine Parks permit.
* To remove the requirement for permit holders to advise of all vessel/aircraft interchange movements.
* To reduce permit administration effort for permit holders, Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (the Reef Authority) and Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service (QPWS).

An identifier is a unique identifying plate (like a number plate) that operators place on their vessels/aircraft. This plate identifies that the vessel/aircraft is being operated under a Marine Parks permit.

1. It is intended that permit holders be issued with a number of unique identifiers equivalent to the number of permitted vessels/aircraft.
2. Where an identifier has been issued it must be externally visible (on the port side for vessels) when operating in the Marine Parks.
3. Vessel identifiers are a red colour-coded rigid plastic plate (approx. 200mm x 150mm) and aircraft identifiers are a blue colour-coded rigid plastic plate (approx. 140mm x 100mm), which bear the identification number which is linked to the operators specific permit.
4. The rigid plastic plate, which is laser-etched, should be attached in a manner to allow for easy transfer between vessels/aircraft as required.
* Identifiers are produced and administered by the Reef Authority.
* The use of identifiers will not provide operators with an ability to deviate from permit conditions or Plans of Management (e.g. passenger capacity or setting limits).

# Bareboat Identifiers

The objectives of bareboat identifiers are:

* To enable ready identification of bareboats being operated within the [Whitsunday Plan of Management](https://www.gbrmpa.gov.au/access-and-use/access-and-use-by-location/whitsunday-plan-of-management) area under a Marine Parks permit.).
1. Bareboat Identification Numbers (BIN) apply only to bareboat operations in the Whitsundays Plan of Management.
2. Bareboat identifiers are a yellow colour-coded rigid plastic plate (approx. 145mm x 110mm), which bear the identification number which is linked to the operator’s specific permit.

# Fees associated with the replacement of Vessel / Aircraft / BIN Identifiers

Upon receipt of this form, signed by an Authorised Contact for this permit, the Reef Authority will send an acknowledgement letter and invoice with the charges listed. The plaque/s will be posted via registered post once payment is received and processed.

To see the latest associated charges, please refer to the latest **Permit Application and Assessment Fees** (<https://elibrary.gbrmpa.gov.au/jspui/handle/11017/3249>). Fees include the plaque, administration and postage fees.

For further information please email: assessments@gbrmpa.gov.au.

Vessel / Aircraft / Bareboat Identifiers Order Form

**NOTE: you can submit plaque replacement orders directly via Permits Online**

**Alternatively, please complete this form and email to** **assessments@gbrmpa.gov.au****.**

Identifiers have been introduced in the Marine Parks to create flexibility for operators in their choice of vessel/ aircraft / bareboat and to remove current administration practices required with the Vessel / Aircraft / BIN Notification Approval system. Each identifier has a unique identification number, which will be listed on your permit, rather than the name of a specific vessel / aircraft / bareboat. Identifiers will be sent to you by registered mail, after payment is received.

Permit holder:

Permit Number: ............................................. (if requesting VINs/AINs/BINs for more than one (1) permit, please complete additional forms for each permit.)

Postal address: ………………………………………………………………………………………. Post Code:

Phone: Email:

**DECLARATION (to be completed by an Authorised Contact or Authorised Signatory)**

I do solemnly and sincerely declare that I am duly authorised (by the company, where the applicant is a company) to sign this application.

Signature: ……………………………………….………….… Name: ………………………………………………….…..….

 (block letters)

Position: ……………………………………………………….. Date: …………………………………………………………

**AUTHORISED PARTIES**

Note: Where this application is made for, and on behalf of a company, and the signatory is not a director of the company, a written authority from the company, or alternatively an Authorisation Form for the signatory to act on the company’s behalf in matters regarding Marine Parks permits, should be attached.

**Email completed form to:**

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