

## Location-specific assessment

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### Objective

To provide information on location-specific considerations in the Marine Parks within the permission system.

### Target audience

*Primary: Staff of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (the Reef Authority) and Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service (QPWS) who are involved with applications.*

*Secondary: Applicants, permission holders and the general public, particularly those who are considering undertaking activities in the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park (Cth) and the Great Barrier Reef (Coast) Marine Park (Qld) (Marine Parks) that may require permission.*

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## Purpose

1. To support the permissions delegate to make decisions that maintain and/or enhance the condition of locations in the Marine Park that have site-specific legislation, policies or plans.

## Related legislation / standards / policy

2. [Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Act 1975](#) (Cth) and [Marine Parks Act 2004](#) (Qld).
3. [Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Regulations 2019](#) (Cth) (GBRMP Regulations) and the [Marine Parks Regulation 2017](#) (Qld).
4. [Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Zoning Plan 2003](#) (Cth) (Zoning Plan) and [Marine Parks \(Great Barrier Reef Coast\) Zoning Plan 2004](#) (Qld).
5. Refer to the [Permission system policy](#) for a full list of related legislation, standards and policy.
6. [Reef Geohub](#) is the Reef Authority's official geospatial platform for exploring, visualising and sharing the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park datasets. Reef Geohub hosts an interactive mapping tool, which allows the viewer to access location data and information including Zoning, Special Management Areas and Plans of Management.
7. The public can also download data files from the Reef Authority's [spatial data information services](#) webpage to use in geographic information systems.

## Commonwealth – Statutory instruments

### Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Zoning Plan (Cth) (Zoning Plan)

8. The Zoning Plan identifies the different rules for the activities that are allowed in each zone, the activities that are prohibited, and the activities that require a permit. Zones may also place restrictions on how some activities are conducted. The Marine Parks (Great Barrier Reef Coast) Zoning Plan 2004 (Qld) reflects the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Zoning Plan 2003 in joint waters but also includes the Estuarine Conservation Zone, which is Queensland jurisdiction only.

### Remote Natural Area

9. Part 3 of the Zoning Plan establishes a Remote Natural Area, which covers the area north of Lizard Island to the tip of Cape York, with the exception of some small areas along the coast ([see map](#)). The two objectives of the Remote Natural Area are to:
  - a. maintain the area in a state that is largely unaltered by works or facilities, and
  - b. provide opportunities for quiet appreciation and enjoyment
10. The Reef Authority cannot grant permission for the following activities in a Remote Natural Area:
  - a. Motorised water sports.
  - b. Carrying out works (other than works relating to navigational aids) involving:
    - i. dumping spoil
    - ii. reclamation
    - iii. beach protection works
    - iv. harbour works.
  - c. Constructing or operating a fixed facility, other than a vessel mooring or a navigational aid.
11. For other types of permission applications, the assessment will consider whether the proposal is consistent with the two objectives of the Remote Natural Area.

## Designated Areas

12. Part 4 of the Zoning Plan describes Designated Areas, which includes Shipping Areas or Special Management Areas.

## Shipping Areas

13. Part 4, Division 4.1 of the Zoning Plan provides for Shipping Areas to allow for the navigation of ships. Subject to any requirements to stow or secure fishing equipment, a ship may navigate in the Shipping Areas and General Use Zone without the permission of the Reef Authority. Shipping Areas can be viewed in [Reef Geohub](#).

## Special Management Areas (SMAs)

14. Part 4, Division 4.2 of the Zoning Plan allows the Reef Authority to declare [Special Management Areas \(SMAs\)](#). An SMA may be designated for a number of reasons including:
  - a. Conservation of a particular species or natural resource; for example turtle, dugong, bird nesting sites or fish spawning aggregation sites.
  - b. Protection of cultural or heritage values.
  - c. Public safety.
  - d. To ensure opportunities for appreciation by the public.
  - e. Response to an emergency (for example, a ship grounding, oil spill or marine pest outbreak).
15. Part 4, Division 4.2 of the Zoning Plan and section 43 of the GBRMP Regulations lists the Special Management Areas declared for the Zoning Plan. Some existing SMAs are described below.

### Restricted Access SMAs

16. Restricted Access SMAs (RASMA) restrict access to, or the use of, the area for conservation purposes or for managing activities carried out within the area. These areas cannot be used or entered without explicit written permission, except for reasons explained in the GBRMP Regulations or Part 5 of the Zoning Plan (such as some emergencies).
17. RASMA are designated at the following locations (see section 47 and Schedule 5, Part 4 of the GBRMP Regulations for exceptions to special management provisions and the non-statutory site management arrangements section (paragraph 56) of this guideline for further information):
  - a. Raine Island Reef (11-243), MacLennan Cay Reef (11-070a) and Moulter Cay Reef (11-130)
  - b. Australian Institute of Marine Science (SR-19-2008)
  - c. One Tree Island Reef (SR-23-2010)

### Maritime Cultural Heritage Protection SMAs

18. There are two SMAs declared around nationally significant RAAF Second World War aircraft wrecks (the Catalina wrecks) to protect and preserve this significant maritime cultural heritage.
19. See the [guidelines for maritime cultural heritage protection special management area](#) and section 53 and Schedule 5, Part 7 of the GBRMP Regulation for more information.

### Public Appreciation SMAs

20. Public Appreciation SMAs ensure that popular snorkeling areas are generally free from spearfishing, harvest fisheries (such as commercial aquarium fish and coral collecting) and aquaculture activities. See section 48 and Schedule 5, Part 5 of the GBRMP Regulations for details.
21. Public Appreciation SMAs are designated at Conservation Park (Yellow) Zones within the locations listed in Table 1.

**Table 1.** Locations of Public Appreciation SMAs designated at Conservation Park (Yellow) Zones.

Location	Location/ Zone ID	Location	Location/ Zone ID
Yonge Reef – lee side	(14-138) (CP-14-4017)	Heron Reef	(CP-23-4104)
Lizard Island Reef – Mermaid Bay to Pigeon Point	(14-116b) (CP-14-4018)	Double Cone Reef	(CP-20-4077)
North Opal Reef	(16-025) (CP-16-4029)	Molle Islands	(CP-20-4080)
Flynn Reef	(16-065) (CP-16-4035)	Whitsunday and Hamilton Islands	(CP-20-4081)
Thetford Reef	(16-068) (CP-16-4036)	Shute Island	(CP-20-4083)
Fitzroy Island Reef – allows aquaculture operations	(16-054) (CP-16-4039)	Long Island	(CP-20-4084) (CP-20-4085)
Dunk Island Reef	(CP-17-4045) (MNP-17-1073)	Lindeman, Pentecost, Cole Island, except that part of the zone adjacent to Shaw Island	(CP-20-4086)
Bedarra Island Reef	(CP-17-4045)	Brampton Island - West	(CP-20-4091)
Orpheus Island Reef south-west	(18-049b and c) (CP-18-4053)	Brampton Island - East	(CP-20-4091)
Davies Reef	(18-096) (CP-18-4056)	North Keppel Island - Considine Bay	(CP-23-4101)
Cape Upstart - western side only	(CP-19-4064)	Great Keppel Island - western side	(CP-23-4102)
Hayman and Hook Islands Saba Bay, Hook Island	(CP-20-4075) (CP-20-4076)	Wistari Reef	(CP-23-4106)

### **Seasonal Closure (Offshore Ribbon Reefs) SMAs**

22. The Ribbon Reefs and adjacent areas are unique, as they are located at a particular part of the continental shelf that drops sharply away from the reef edge. These important areas of reef support diverse species, including large pelagic fish such as marlin.
23. Seasonal Closure SMAs designated in these areas provide additional protection to the Ribbon Reefs and adjacent habitats. These SMAs prohibit all fishing and detached dories in the Ribbon Reefs from 1 January to 31 August each year.
24. Locations for Seasonal Closure (Offshore Ribbon Reefs) SMAs are:
  - a. Areas adjacent to Day Reef (14-089) Scientific Research (Orange) Zone (SR-14-2001)
  - b. Area adjacent to Ribbon No. 10 Reef (14-146) Marine National Park (Green) Zone (MNP-14-1030)
  - c. Area adjacent to Ribbon No. 7 Reef (15-026), Ribbon No. 6 Reef (15-032) Preservation (Pink) Zone (P-15-12) and Unnamed Reef (15-034) Marine National Park (Green) Zone
  - d. Ribbon Reef No. 5 Patches (15-042) Buffer (Olive Green) Zone (B-15-3007) and inter-reefal areas
  - e. Ribbon Reef No. 2 and 3 inter-reefal areas Buffer (Olive Green) Zone (B-15-3008).
25. See section 45 and Schedule 5, Part 2 of the GBRMP Regulation for more information.

**No Dories Detached (Offshore Ribbon Reefs) SMAs**

26. To provide further protection to the ecological values of the Ribbon Reefs, no dories are allowed to be detached from their primary vessel at any time in the following Special Management Area locations
  - a. Area to the east of Yonge Reef (14-138) and no name Reef (14-139)
  - b. Area around the No. 10 Patches (No. 3) (14-153a) and No. 10 Patches (No. 4) (14-153b).

**No Dories Detached (Marine National Park Zones) SMAs**

27. Within all Marine National Park Zones (green zones) dories are not allowed to be detached from their primary vessel at any time.

**One Dories Detached (Conservation Park Zones) SMAs**

28. In all Conservation Park Zones (yellow zones) no more than one dory is to be detached from its primary vessel at any time.

**One Dories Detached (Buffer Zones) SMAs**

29. In all Buffer Zones (olive green zones) — excluding those that are declared No Dories Detached (Offshore Ribbon Reefs) Special Management Areas — no more than one dory is to be detached from its primary vessel at any time.
30. See section 46 and Schedule 5, Part 3 of the GBRMP Regulations and the Reef Authority website [Special Management Areas | gbrmpa](#) for more information.

**Species Conservation (Dugong Protection) SMAs**

31. These SMAs reflect the requirements of Dugong Protection Areas under Queensland Fisheries legislation to the extent to which those areas are located within the Marine Park.
32. See section 44 of the GBRMP Regulations for details.
33. View maps showing the following Dugong Protection Areas via the Reef Authority website [Special Management Areas | gbrmpa](#):
  - Hinchinbrook and Taylors Beach
  - Cleveland Bay and Bowling Green Bay\*
  - Upstart Bay
  - Edgumbe Bay
  - Repulse Bay, Newry Region and Sandy Bay
  - Ince Bay, Llewellyn Bay and Clairview Region
  - Shoalwater Bay and Port Clinton
  - Gladstone and Rodds Bay
34. Amendments to the GBRMP Regulations have given greater protection to dugong in and around headland areas, by restricting the use of set mesh nets in certain parts of particular Dugong Protection Area B areas ([view information sheet and maps](#)). The changes are a technical amendment to clarify long-standing existing netting rules, by providing clear definitions of areas around headlands where the use of offshore set nets is prohibited to reduce the risk of incidental catch to dugong.

**Princess Charlotte Bay SMA**

35. The Princess Charlotte Bay SMA protects dugong within Princess Charlotte Bay in the Far Northern Management Area of the Marine Park. The SMA requires commercial net fishers to obtain a permit to operate within Princess Charlotte Bay.
36. See [Zoning Map 3 \(Cape Melville\)](#) for the location of the Princess Charlotte Bay SMA.
37. Refer to the [Assessment guidelines](#) and section 108 of the GBRMP Regulations for more information.

### **Natural Resources Conservation (Mermaid Cove at Lizard Island) SMA**

38. The Natural Resources Conservation SMA is located at Mermaid Cove, Lizard Island in the Cairns/Cooktown Management Area of the Marine Park.
39. In addition to existing rules for the Conservation Park (Yellow) Zone, fishing and collecting are not allowed, except for:
  - a. a person trolling or bait netting for pelagic species; or
  - b. limited impact research (extractive); or
  - c. research that is conducted in accordance with a permission.
40. Visit the Reef Authority website [Cairns/Cooktown site specific management](#) for more information on access and use around Lizard Island, and section 52 and Schedule 5, Part 6 of the GBRMP Regulations.

### **Plans of Management (POMs)**

41. POMs are statutory instruments prepared under section 39W of the *Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Act 1975* (Cth) to manage intensively used areas or vulnerable sites or species.
42. General information about POMs can be found on the Reef Authority website <https://www2.gbrmpa.gov.au/access/locations>. There are currently four POMs in the Marine Park, listed below

#### Cairns Area POM 1998 (Cth)

43. Supporting information:
  - [Cairns Planning Area map](#)
  - [Guide to tourism operations and other commercial activities in the Cairns Area](#)

#### Whitsundays POM 1998 (Cth)

44. Supporting information:
  - [Whitsunday Planning Area map](#)
  - [Guide to tourism operations and other commercial activities in the Whitsundays](#)
  - [Visiting the Whitsundays in the Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Area: A guide for recreational visitors \(3rd edition\)](#)

#### Hinchinbrook POM 2004 (Cth)

45. Supporting information:
  - [Hinchinbrook Planning Area map](#)
  - [General tourism operators](#)
  - [Aircraft operators](#) (recreational and commercial pilots)
  - [Cruise ship operators](#)
  - [Boutique cruise operators](#)
  - [Bareboat and hire operators](#)
  - [Passenger transport and support service operators](#)
  - [Guided tour operators](#) (vessels less than six metres)
  - [Motorised water sports](#)

#### Shoalwater Bay (Dugong) POM 1997 (Cth)

46. [Shoalwater Bay Planning Area map](#)

### **Whale Protection Areas**

47. A Whale Protection Area is described in Schedule 4 of the GBRMP Regulations and is limited to the Whitsundays Planning Area only (see WPOM Strategy 1.10C(3)).
48. Section 187 of the GBRMP Regulations state the following protections apply in a Whale Protection Area ([GBRMPA ELibrary: Whale Protection Area map](#))
  - Vessels are not allowed to approach within 300m of a whale.



- Tourism programs are not allowed to use vessels for whale watching or swimming-with-whales tours.
49. The Whitsundays are an important calving ground for humpback whales between May and September each year. Most of the waters around the islands are part of the Whale Protection Area, which is designed to minimise disturbance to mother whales.
50. The Reef Authority cannot grant a cetacean exemption (see section 188(2) of the GBRMP Regulations) within a Whale Protection Area. Refer also to the [Guidelines: Activity impact assessment in the permission system - Tourist program involving whale watching or swimming with whales](#) (Whale-based tourism activity assessment guidelines) for more information.

### Defence Practice Areas (DPAs)

51. There are a number of DPAs, sometimes called Defence Training Areas, within the Marine Park. These are listed in Table 2. DPAs are defined in the [Defence Force Regulations 1952](#) as “any area of land, sea or air declared by the Minister under regulation 49”. DPAs are another layer of Commonwealth regulation.
52. The Department of Defence is required to publicly notify of any operation or practice being conducted in DPAs. It is illegal for a person to be in the DPA when an operation or practice is underway, or for a person to allow a vehicle, vessel or aircraft to be in the DPA at that time, unless the person has permission from the Department of Defence.
53. Because of this, it is important to consider whether activities being proposed may occur within a DPA. For reasons of practicality, the Reef Authority’s view is that:
- Privately owned fixed facilities (other than moorings) should not generally be located within a DPA.
  - Other activities (such as tourist vessel or aircraft entry) may be permitted, but the permission holder should be aware that such activities are likely to be restricted from time to time by the Department of Defence.

Table 2. DPAs in the Marine Park

DPA name	Practice type	Gazette number	Gazettal date
Cairns Inner Reef	Surface and anti-aircraft firing	S 289, P 12	25/07/85
Cairns Outer Reef	Surface and anti-aircraft firing	S 289, P 12	25/07/85
<a href="#">Shoalwater Bay Training Area</a>	Military manoeuvres and live firing including high explosive, bombing, rocketry, missile firing, naval gunnery and air weapons delivery	GN 8, P 813	28/02/07
Saumarez Reef Air Weapons Range	Air to surface weapons firing. Specialised training in the use of lasers, including laser targeted weapons systems	GN 46, P 2997	23/11/94
<a href="#">Halifax Bay Air Weapons Range</a>	Air to surface and surface to surface weapons firing	GN 8, P 580-581	25/02/98
Elliot	Naval gunnery	S 289, P 11-12	25/07/85
Lizard Island	Surface and anti-aircraft firing	S 289, P 12	25/07/85
Townshend Island	Air to surface weapons firing, surface to surface and joint firing	GN 46, P 2998	23/11/94



## Commonwealth – Non-statutory plans and policies

### Site Management Arrangements and other policies

54. Site Management Arrangements are operational management policies developed by the Reef Authority to deal with specific pressures. As policy, they represent the Reef Authority's expectations and should generally be followed. However, policy is intended to guide decision-making and does not bind a decision-maker (that is, delegate) in the same way as legislation (such as POMs).
55. The delegate needs to consider whether the Site Management Arrangements are relevant to each application and, if so, whether the standard policy should be applied in that case. The Reef Authority does not lightly deviate from the policies set out in Site Management Arrangements.
56. In addition to Site Management Arrangements, other policies, position statements and Board decisions are listed that may be relevant to an assessment.
57. Details of Site Management Arrangements can be found on the Reef Authority website: [Locations | gbrmpa](#). The POMs include details for specific sites, if a location is not listed, it could be addressed in a POM.

### Far Northern Management Area

58. The Remote Natural Area covers most of the Far Northern Management Area with the exception of some small areas along the coastline ([see map](#)).
59. The sites listed below have either a Site Plan, Site Management Arrangement or a [SMA](#).
  - Princess Charlotte Bay.
  - Raine Island and Moulter and MacLennan Cays.

### Cairns/Cooktown Management Area

60. Site Specific Management Arrangements and maps for the following locations in the Cairns Management Area can be found in the [Guide to tourism operations and other commercial activities in the Cairns Area – Attachment 2](#).
 

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Cape Tribulation Bay Locality 1</li> <li>○ Cod Hole Locality (Ribbon Reef No. 10)</li> <li>○ Fitzroy Island National Park and Marine Management Area</li> <li>○ Frankland Islands Sector (Normanby, Russell, Round and High)</li> <li>○ Green Island Reef Location</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Hope Islands (East Hope Island Reef Location and West Hope Island Reef Location)</li> <li>○ Lizard Island Localities</li> <li>○ Low Island Locality (including Woody Island)</li> <li>○ Michaelmas Cay Locality</li> <li>○ Snapper Island Reef Location</li> <li>○ Sudbury Cay Locality</li> </ul>
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61. Fitzroy Island National Park and Marine Management Area - Fitzroy Island and adjacent waters are outside the Cairns Planning Area but are managed complementarily under the Queensland [Fitzroy Island National Park and Marine Management Area Management Plan](#).
62. No Structures Sub-Zones - the following locations were included in a previous Cairns zoning system as within the "No Structures Sub-Zone". Any application for a fixed facility in one of these locations requires careful consideration of whether such a use is compatible with the location's values:
 

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Hilder Reef</li> <li>○ MacGillivray Reef</li> <li>○ Nymph Island Reef</li> <li>○ Eyrie Reef</li> <li>○ Two Islands Reef</li> <li>○ Low Wooded Island Reef</li> <li>○ Three Islands Reef</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Endeavour Reef complex</li> <li>○ Pearl Reef</li> <li>○ Pickersgill Reef</li> <li>○ Mackay Reef</li> <li>○ 'unnamed reef' Chinamans Reef</li> <li>○ Saxon Reef</li> <li>○ Escape Reef</li> </ul>
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- Opal Reef
- Channel Reef
- Cayley Reef
- Peart Reef
- Feather Reef
- 'Unnamed reef' Shark/Noreaster Reef complex
- Carter Reef to Ribbon Reef No. 10
- The area of dugong habitat north of Lookout Point
- The Turtle Group
- Lizard Island
- South Direction Island to Rock Islets
- Ribbon Reef No. 7 to Williamson Reefs
- Hope Islands
- Cairns Reef to Gill Patches
- Cedar Bay (Obree Point to Fritz Creek)
- Cape Tribulation to Lake Reef (Weary Bay)
- Noah Head
- Coastline adjacent to Mt Emmett
- Alexandra Bay – Cooper Creek to Bailey Creek
- Bailey Point
- Coastline adjacent to Black Rock
- Cape Kimberley and Snapper Island
- Undine Reef
- Michaelmas Reef to Upolu Cay
- Euston Reef to North West Reef
- Elford and Briggs Reefs
- Sudbury Cay
- Sudbury Reef (Flora Pass)
- High Island
- Frankland Islands (South)
- North Barnard Islands
- South Barnard Islands
- Beaver and Taylor Reefs

### *Townsville/Whitsundays Management Area*

63. The Townsville/Whitsunday Management Area extends from Mission Beach down to Midge Point (south of Proserpine) and includes both the Hinchinbrook and Whitsundays Planning Areas.
64. The sites listed below have site Specific Management Arrangements. Details can be found on the Reef Authority website [Townsville/Whitsundays site specific management | gbrmpa](#):
- Bowen Offshore
  - Cape Upstart
  - Davies Reef
  - John Brewer Reef
  - Magnetic Island
  - Orpheus (Goolboddi) Island and Reef

### *Hinchinbrook Planning Area*

65. The Hinchinbrook Planning Area extends offshore from Dunk (Coonanglebah) Island to Halifax Bay. Rules apply to vessel length and group size, sensitive locations, speed limits around significant bird sites and where motorised water sports areas can occur. [The Hinchinbrook POM 2004](#) applies to all users. Visit the Reef Authority website to understand the boundary and Locations within the [Hinchinbrook POM | gbrmpa](#).
66. Site specific details regarding the following locations in the Hinchinbrook Planning Area can be found on the Reef Authority [website](#):
- Bedarra and Pee Rahm Islands and Reef.
  - Dunk (Coonanglebah) Island and Reef (including Woln-Garin Island and Reef).

### *Whitsundays Planning Area*

67. The Whitsundays Planning Area includes the largest island group on the Australian coastline with more than 80 islands. Six island group national parks (Whitsunday Islands, Gloucester Islands, Molle Islands, Lindeman Islands, Repulse Islands and Holbourne Island) make up what is more widely called the Whitsunday Islands. The [Whitsundays POM 1998](#) applies to all users for vessel length and group size, vessel speeds around significant bird sites and where motorised water sports can occur.
68. Visit the Reef Authority website to understand the boundary and Locations within the [Whitsundays POM | gbrmpa](#). Site Specific Management and maps can be found in the Guide to Tourism Operations and other Commercial Activities in the Whitsundays.

69. Site specific details for the following locations in the Whitsundays Planning Area can be found on the Reef Authority [website](#):
- Bauer Bay, South Molle Island
  - Blue Pearl Bay, Hayman Island
  - Cow and Calf Islands
  - Deloraine Island
  - Double Bay East
  - Eshelby Island
  - Haslewood and Lupton Islands (south eastern side)
  - Whitsunday Island - Hill Inlet, Tongue Bay and Whitehaven Beach,
  - Woodwark Bay

### Mackay/Capricorn Management Area

70. The Mackay/Capricorn Management Area extends from Midge Point (south of Proserpine) to the southern boundary of the Marine Mark (north of Bundaberg).
71. The sites listed below have site Specific Management Arrangements. Details can be found on the Reef Authority website [Mackay/Capricorn site specific management | gbrmpa](#)
- Brampton Island
  - Fitzroy Reef (23-007)
  - Heron Island and Reef (23-052)
  - Wistari Reef
  - One Tree Island Reef (23-055)
  - Lady Musgrave Island Reef (23-082)
  - Keppel Bay and islands
  - Lady Elliot Island and Reef (24-008)

## Queensland – Statutory instruments

### Fish Habitat Areas

72. [Fish Habitat Areas](#) are declared under the *Fisheries Act 1994* (Qld) to protect highly productive fish habitats from physical disturbance while still allowing legal fishing.
73. Permission assessments consider whether a Fish Habitat Area is located nearby and, if so, any potential direct or indirect impacts that may be caused by the proposal.

### Zoning Plan (Qld)

74. [Marine Parks \(Great Barrier Reef Coast\) Zoning Plan 2004 \(Qld\)](#) identifies the types of activities that may occur in each Marine Park zone and reflects the Zoning Plan (Cth) in joint waters.
75. Estuarine Conservation Zone are Queensland jurisdiction only.

## Queensland – Non-statutory plans and policies

### Management plans

76. [Management plans](#) are a requirement under the [Nature Conservation Act 1992](#) (Qld) and describe the values of national parks and how they should be managed.
77. Those potentially of relevance to the Marine Park are listed below and can found in the Register of Planning Documents on the Department of Environment, Science and Innovation website at [Register of planning documents | Parks and forests | Department of Environment, Science and Innovation, Queensland \(desi.qld.gov.au\)](#):
- Barnard Island Group National Park
  - Bowling Green Bay National Park
  - Broadwater Conservation Park
  - Brook Islands and Gool Island National Parks
  - Bushy Island National Park
  - Byfield Area and adjoining Great Barrier Reef Coast Marine Park
  - Cape Hillsborough, Pioneer Peaks, Mount Ossa, Mount Martin
  - and Reliance Creek national parks and adjoining State Waters
  - Capricorn Coast National Park
  - Capricornia Cays National Park and adjoining State Waters
  - Family Islands National Park
  - Fitzroy Island National Park and Marine Management Area
  - Frankland Group National Park
  - Green Island Recreation Area, incorporating Green Island

- National Park, part of Cairns Marine Park (State) and part of the GBRMP (Commonwealth) and Green Island National Park
- Hinchinbrook Island National Park
- Holbourne Island National Park and adjoining State Waters
- Hope Islands National Park
- Michaelmas and Upolu Cays National Park
- Orpheus Island National Park
- Three Islands Group National Park and adjoining tidal lands
- Turtle Group National Park

### Management statements

78. [Management statements](#) are non-statutory plans under the [Nature Conservation Act 1992](#) (Qld). These statements briefly explain the values of national and regional parks and the key management objectives.
79. Those potentially of relevance to the Marine Park are listed below and can found in the Register of Planning Documents on the Department of Environment, Science and Innovation website at [Register of planning documents | Parks and forests | Department of Environment, Science and Innovation, Queensland \(desi.qld.gov.au\)](#):
- Bowling Green Bay Conservation Park
  - Boyne Island Conservation Park
  - Broad Sound Islands National Park
  - Cape Melville National Park(Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal Land)
  - Cape Pallarenda Conservation Park
  - Cape Palmerston National Park
  - Cape Upstart Area
  - Claremont Isles National Park
  - Conway-Dryander Area
  - Curtis Island Area
  - Daintree National Park
  - Djiru National Park
  - Ella Bay Conservation Park
  - Endeavour River National Park and Resource Reserve
  - Etty Bay Road Regional Park
  - Flinders Group National Park (Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal Land)
  - Girramay National Park
  - Girringun National Park
  - Halifax Bay Wetlands National Park
  - Howick Group National Park (Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal Land)
  - Keppel Bay Islands National Park
  - Kurrimine Beach Conservation Park
  - Kurrimine Beach National Park
  - Lizard Island National Park
  - Mackay Islands Protected Areas
  - Magnetic Island (Yunbenun)
  - Piper Islands National Park (Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal Land)
  - Raine Island National Park (Scientific)
  - Shoalwater Bay Conservation Park
  - Swain Reefs National Park
  - Whitsunday Islands National Park
  - Wild Cattle Island National Park
  - Wuthathi (Saunders Islands) National Park (Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal Land)
  - Wuthathi (Sir Charles Hardy Group) National Park (Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal Land)
  - Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands National Park (Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal Land)

### Specific closures, limited access and exclusion areas

80. Specific closures have been agreed between the Reef Authority and the State of Queensland to restrict access to certain areas. Some closures are year-round, while others are seasonal, such as during seabird or turtle nesting seasons.
81. Some specific closures are statutory, but most are non-statutory policy decisions based on best available information. They are usually included in permit conditions and exclusion areas.
82. Access to marine and national parks may be restricted from time to time (and at short notice) due to park management, severe weather, or safety concerns. Seasonal closures may also be implemented at sites listed in [Schedule 8](#) of the Marine Parks (Great Barrier Reef Coast) Zoning Plan 2004. Check Park Alerts and Public Notices via [www.des.qld.gov.au](http://www.des.qld.gov.au) for each area, prior to commencement of activities or receive Park Alert and Public Notice updates by:
- Following @QldParkAlerts on Twitter (<https://twitter.com/QldParkAlerts>)
  - Subscribing to one of the park alerts RSS feeds (<http://www.des.qld.gov.au/help/feeds/>)

- Subscribing to Public notices and consultations (<http://www.des.qld.gov.au/our-department/public-notice>)

### Tourist program exclusion areas

83. Tourist program exclusion areas usually complement limits on adjacent coasts or islands. For example, if an island cannot be visited during certain periods, the Marine Parks permission also restricts access to the intertidal area (such as the beach) around this island.

### Vessel and motorised equipment exclusion areas

84. Generally, tourist programs conducting motorised water sports, conducting guided tours using jet skis or using a vessel are not allowed to access the locations listed in Table 3, Table 4 and Table 5 during the specified periods.

**Table 3. Motorised water sports exclusion areas**

Zones	Motorised Water Sports Exclusion Areas	Period
<b>All Management Areas</b>		
All Zones	all Great Barrier Reef Coast Marine Park rivers, streams and inlets	All Year
<b>Far Northern Management Areas</b>		
All Zones	The Remote Natural Area	All Year
<b>Cairns/Cooktown Management Areas</b>		
Conservation Park Zone	waters adjacent to <b>Bresnahan Island</b>	All Year
All Zones	all Locations within the <b>Cairns Plan of Management Area</b>	All Year
Marine National Park Zone	<b>Cedar Bay</b>	All Year
Marine National Park Zone	waters adjacent to <b>Eagle Island</b>	All Year
Conservation Park Zone	waters adjacent to <b>Fitzroy Island</b>	All Year
Conservation Park Zone	waters adjacent to <b>Hutchison Island</b>	All Year
Conservation Park Zone	waters adjacent to <b>Jessie Island</b>	All Year
Conservation Park Zone	waters adjacent to <b>Kent Island</b>	All Year
Marine National Park Zone	waters adjacent to <b>Nymph Island</b>	All Year
Marine National Park Zone	waters adjacent to <b>Rocky Islets</b>	All Year
Marine National Park Zone	waters adjacent to <b>Sisters Island</b> (South Barnards Islands)	All Year
Marine National Park Zone	waters adjacent to <b>Stephen Island</b> (South Barnards Islands)	All Year
Marine National Park Zone	<b>Taylor Reef</b> and waters adjacent to Taylor Reef	All Year
Marine National Park Zone	waters adjacent to <b>Three Isles</b>	All Year
Habitat Protection Zone	waters adjacent to <b>Two Isles</b>	All Year
<b>Townsville/Whitsunday Management Areas</b>		
All Zones	<b>Hinchinbrook Planning Area</b> (except Intensive Use Setting Locations or outside a Location)	All Year
All Zones	waters in the vicinity of <b>Magnetic Island</b>	All Year
All Zones (except Conservation Park Zone waters adjacent to Hazard Bay [Orpheus Island])	waters adjacent to islands within the <b>Palm Island Group</b>	All Year
Conservation Park Zones	<b>Cleveland Bay</b>	All Year
Conservation Park Zone	waters adjacent to the mainland at <b>Pioneer Bay</b>	All Year
All Zones	<b>Whitsunday Planning Area</b> (except Setting 1 locations, the designated water sports area and areas outside the settings)	All Year

Mackay/Capricorn Management Areas		
All Zones	waters within 1 km of <b>Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service campgrounds</b>	All Year
Marine National Park Zone	waters adjacent to the <b>Capricorn Bunker Island Group</b>	All Year
General Use Zone	<b>Leekes Creek</b> (Great Keppel Island)	All Year
Marine National Park Zone	waters adjacent to the <b>Keppel Island Group</b>	All Year
Marine National Park Zone	waters adjacent to the <b>Swains Reefs</b>	All Year
General Use Zone	<b>Corio Bay</b>	All Year
General Use Zone and Conservation Park Zone	waters adjacent to the <b>Byfield Area</b>	All Year

**Table 4. Guided jet ski tour exclusion areas**

Zone	Guided Jet Ski Tour Exclusion Areas (in addition to areas listed in Table 5 - 'Vessel exclusion area')	Period
Cairns/Cooktown Management Areas		
All Zones	intertidal areas adjacent to a Sensitive Location within the <b>Cairns Plan of Management Area</b>	All Year
All Zones	Waters adjacent to the <b>Fitzroy Marine Management Area</b>	All Year
Townsville/Whitsunday Management Area		
All Zones	<b>Hinchinbrook Planning Area</b> (except Intensive Use Setting Locations)	All Year
All Zones	<b>Hinchinbrook Channel Locations</b>	All Year
All Zones	waters in the vicinity of <b>Magnetic Island</b>	All Year
Mackay/Capricorn Management Area		
General Use Zone	<b>Corio Bay</b>	All Year
General Use Zone	<b>Leekes Creek</b> (Great Keppel Island)	All Year

**Table 5. Vessel exclusion areas**

Reef ID	Vessel Exclusion Area (including personal watercraft and motorised equipment)	Period
Far Northern Management Areas		
11-167	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Bird Islands North (2)</b> (Wuthathi (Saunders Islands Group))	All Year
11-169	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Bird Islands South (3)</b> (Wuthathi (Saunders Islands Group))	All Year
14-031	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Blackwood Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
11-062	waters adjacent to and intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Boydong Island Islet</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))	1 Sept to 31 Mar
11-138	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Bushy Islets (2 islands)</b> (Saunders Islands)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
11-010	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Cairncross Islet</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))	1 Sept to 31 Mar
11-052	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Cholmondeley Islet</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))	All Year
14-017c	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Clack Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
14-012 14-013	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Cliff Islands (3)</b> (Marpa Group)	All Year
14-063	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Combe Island</b> (Howick Island Group)	All Year
14-032	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Denham Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
11-038	waters adjacent to and intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Douglas Islet</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))	All Year
12-012a	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Farmer Island</b> (Piper Group)	All Year
13-081	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Fife Island</b> (Claremont Isles Group)	All Year
14-042	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Flinders Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
11-136	waters adjacent to and intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Hannibal Island</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))	All Year
14-018	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>King Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
11-138	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Macarthur Islands (6)</b> (Wuthathi (Saunders Islands Group))	All Year



Reef ID	Vessel Exclusion Area (including personal watercraft and motorised equipment)	Period
14-029	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Maclea Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
11-174	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Magra Islet</b> (Wuthathi (Saunders Islands Group))	All Year
12-027	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Mitiritchi (Quoin) Island</b>	All Year
13-107	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Pelican Island</b> (Claremont Isles Group)	All Year
13-061c	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Sandbank No 7</b>	All Year
13-056	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Sandbank No 8</b>	All Year
11-165	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Saunders Islet</b> (Wuthathi (Saunders Islands Group))	All Year
11-026	waters adjacent to and intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Sinclair Islet</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))	1 Sept to 31 Mar
11-184	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Sir Charles Hardy Islands (3)</b> (Wuthathi (Sir Charles Hardy Group))	All Year
N/A	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>South Barrow Island</b> (Howick Group)	All Year
14-054	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Stapleton Island</b> (Howick Island Group)	All Year
10-342	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Trochus Island</b>	All Year
14-017b	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>un-named island immediately north of Clack Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
11-055	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Wallace Islet</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))	All Year
N/A	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Wuthathi (Shelburne Bay) NP</b> (CYPAL)	All Year
<b>Additional exclusions when using vessel(s) greater than 35 metres and less than 70 metres</b>		
<i>*Advisory Note: Access to the anchorage for the large vessel is not affected by this exclusion.</i>		
11-062	waters adjacent to and intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Boydong Island Islet</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))*	All Year
14-064	waters adjacent to <b>Ingram Island Reef</b> (Howick Island Group)*	1 Sept to 31 Mar
13-072	waters adjacent to <b>Morris Island Reef</b> (Howick Island Group)*	1 Sept to 31 Mar
13-031	waters adjacent to <b>Night Island Reef*</b>	1 Sept to 31 Mar
14-038	waters adjacent to <b>Pipon Island Reef</b> (Flinders Island Group)*	1 Sept to 31 Mar
<b>Cairns/Cooktown Management Areas</b>		
N/A	<b>all Great Barrier Reef Coast Marine Park rivers, streams and inlets</b>	All Year
17-051	waters adjacent to <b>Beaver Reef</b>	All Year
N/A	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Cape Tribulation Bay</b>	All Year
14-118	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Eagle Island</b> (Lizard Island Group)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
15-065	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>East Hope Island</b>	All Year
14-132	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Rocky Islets</b> (Three Islands Group)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
14-116d	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Seabird Islet</b> (Lizard Island Group)	All Year
17-046	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Sisters Island</b> (South Barnards Islands)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
16-006	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Snapper Island</b>	All Year
17-046	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Stephens Island</b> (South Barnards Islands)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
16-004	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Struck Island</b>	All Year
15-005	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Three Islands</b> (Three Islands Group)	All Year
15-064	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>West Hope Island</b> (Hope Islands Group)	All Year
<b>Townsville/Whitsunday Management Areas</b>		
N/A	<b>all Great Barrier Reef Coast Marine Park rivers and streams between Edgecumbe Bay (Adelaide Point) and Midge Point</b>	All Year
18-014	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Agnes Beach</b> (Hinchinbrook Island)	All Year
20-017	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Black Island</b>	All Year
18-008	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Brook Islands</b>	All Year
013b	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Eva Island</b>	1 Oct to 31 Mar
19-103	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Holbourne Island</b>	1 Oct to 31 Mar
19-009g	waters adjacent to <b>Lovers Bay</b> (Magnetic Island)	All Year
17-053a	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Mound (Purtaboi) Island</b>	1 Oct to 31 Mar
18-001b	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Pee Rahm Ah Island</b>	1 Oct to 31 Mar
19-009g	waters adjacent to <b>Wilson Bay</b> (Magnetic Island)	All Year
17-053d	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Woln-Garin Island</b>	1 Oct to 31 Mar
<b>Additional exclusions when using vessel(s) greater than 35 metres and less than 70 metres</b>		
N/A	Hinchinbrook Channel Habitat Protection Zone (QI HP-18-01) except those areas located within the Designated Shipping Area	All Year



Reef ID	Vessel Exclusion Area (including personal watercraft and motorised equipment)	Period
<b>Mackay/Capricorn Management Areas</b>		
22-067	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Akens Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	All Year
21-379a	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Avoid Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
22-009	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Barren Island</b> (Keppel Group)	All Year
20-310	waters adjacent to <b>Bushy Island</b>	1 Oct to 31 Mar
N/A	<b>Byfield Area</b>	All Year
22-038	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Clara Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
23-001	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Corroboree Island</b> (Keppel Group)	All Year
21-206	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Distant Cay</b> (Swains Cays)	All Year
22-052c	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Eliza Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
23-068	waters adjacent to <b>Erskine Island</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
23-068	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Erskine Island</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
23-081	waters adjacent to and intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Fairfax Islands</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
22-051	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Five Trees Cay</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
23-028	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Girt Island</b> (Keppel Group)	All Year
23-014	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Halfway Island</b> (Keppel Group)	All Year
23-052	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Heron Island</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
23-080	waters adjacent to and intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Hoskyn Islands</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
23-036	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Hummocky Island</b> (Keppel Group)	All Year
22-005	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Infelix Islets (3)</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
23-082	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Lady Musgrave Island</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group), including Management Area 1 of the Lady Musgrave Reef Site Management Arrangements	All Year
23-069	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Masthead Island</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
22-042	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Mumford Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	All Year
23-049	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>North West Island</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group), not including the drying reef	All Year
23-055a	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>One Tree Island</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
22-074	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Pelican Rock</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	All Year
20-310	waters adjacent to <b>Redbill Island</b>	1 Oct to 31 Mar
21-172	waters adjacent to and intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Riptide Cay</b> (Swains Cays)	All Year
N/A	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Sandy Point</b> (Byfield National Park)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
22-012	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>South Barren Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
22-062	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Swan Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
22-044	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Ten Pin Cay</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
22-077	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Triangular Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	All Year
23-046	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Tryon Island</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
22-020	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>West Side Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
22-003	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Wild Duck Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar

### Aircraft and drone exclusion areas

85. Aircraft exclusion areas are usually established to protect nesting seabirds but may protect other sensitive species or human amenity.
86. Generally, aircraft are not allowed to approach locations listed in Table 6 at an altitude of less than 1500 feet (above ground or water) or to approach within 1000 metres lateral distance during the specified exclusion periods. This is generally linked to significant bird sites.
87. Remotely piloted aircraft (drones) are not to be operated within aircraft exclusion areas, including sensitive seabird nesting or roosting islands or cays.

Table 6. Aircraft and drone exclusion areas

Reef ID	Aircraft and Drone Exclusion Areas	Period
<b>Far Northern Management Areas</b>		
N/A	<b>all intertidal areas within the Far Northern Management Areas</b>	All Year
11-167a	in the vicinity of <b>Bird Islands North (2)</b> (Wuthathi (Saunders Islands Group))	All Year
11-169	in the vicinity of <b>Bird Islands South (3)</b> (Wuthathi (Saunders Islands Group))	All Year
14-031	in the vicinity of <b>Blackwood Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
11-062	in the vicinity of <b>Boydong Island Islet</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))	1 Sept to 31 Mar
13-111	in the vicinity of <b>Burkitt Island</b> (Claremont Isles Group)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
11-009	in the vicinity of <b>Bushy Island</b> (Denham Island Group)	All Year
11-010	in the vicinity of <b>Cairncross Island</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))	1 Sept to 31 Mar
12-129	in the vicinity of <b>Chapman Island</b>	1 Sept to 31 Mar
11-052	in the vicinity of <b>Cholmondeley Islet</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))	All Year
14-017	in the vicinity of <b>Clack Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
14-012	in the vicinity of <b>Cliff Islands (3)</b> (Marpa Group)	All Year
14-013		
14-063	in the vicinity of <b>Combe Islet</b> (Howick Island Group)	All Year
13-130	in the vicinity of <b>Davie Cay</b>	All Year
14-032	in the vicinity of <b>Denham Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
11-038	in the vicinity of <b>Douglas Islet</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))	All Year
12-012a	in the vicinity of <b>Farmer Island</b> (Piper Group)	All Year
13-081	in the vicinity of <b>Fife Island</b> (Claremont Isles Group)	All Year
14-042	in the vicinity of <b>Flinders Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
13-097	in the vicinity of <b>Hannah Island</b> (Claremont Isles Group)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
13-083	in the vicinity of <b>Hay Island</b> (Claremont Isles Group)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
14-018	in the vicinity of <b>King Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
12-084	in the vicinity of <b>Lloyd Island</b>	1 Sept to 31 Mar
13-045	in the vicinity of <b>Lowrie Island</b>	1 Sept to 31 Mar
11-138	in the vicinity of <b>MacArthur Islands (6) &amp; Bushy Islets</b> (Wuthathi (Saunders Islands Group))	All Year
11-174	in the vicinity of <b>Magra Islet</b> (Wuthathi (Saunders Islands Group))	All Year
13-072	in the vicinity of <b>Morris Island</b> (Howick Island Group)	All Year
13-031	in the vicinity of <b>Night Island</b>	1 Sept to 31 Mar
13-107	in the vicinity of <b>Pelican Island</b> (Claremont Isles Group)	All Year
14-038	in the vicinity of <b>Pipon Island</b> (Flinders Group)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
14-029	in the vicinity of <b>Maclear Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
12-027	in the vicinity of <b>Mitiritchi (Quoin) Island</b>	All Year
13-061c	in the vicinity of <b>Sandbank No. 7</b>	All Year
13-056	in the vicinity of <b>Sandbank No. 8</b>	All Year
11-165	in the vicinity of <b>Saunders Islet</b> (Wuthathi (Saunders Islands Group))	All Year
14-101	in the vicinity of <b>Sinclair Island</b> (Howick Island Group)	All Year
11-026	in the vicinity of <b>Sinclair Islet</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))	All Year
11-184	in the vicinity of <b>Sir Charles Hardy Island (3)</b> (southern-most island) (Wuthathi (Sir Charles Hardy Group))	All Year
N/A	in the vicinity of <b>South Barrow Island</b> (Howick Group)	All Year
13-113	in the vicinity of <b>Stainer Island</b> (Claremont Isles Group)	All Year
14-054	in the vicinity of <b>Stapleton Islet</b> (Howick Island Group)	All Year
10-342	in the vicinity of <b>Trochus Island</b>	All Year
13-133	in the vicinity of <b>Tydemman Cay</b>	All Year
14-017b	in the vicinity of <b>un-named island immediately north of Clack Island</b> (Flinders Group)	All Year
11-055	in the vicinity of <b>Wallace Islet</b> (Yamarrinh Wachangan Islands (Denham Group))	All Year
11-136	in the vicinity of <b>West Hannibal Island</b>	All Year
13-091	in the vicinity of <b>Wilkie Island</b> (Claremont Isles Group)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
10-338	in the vicinity of <b>Womer Reef</b>	All Year
N/A	in the vicinity of <b>Wuthathi (Shelburne Bay) NP</b> (CYPAL)	All Year

Cairns/Cooktown Management Areas		
17-051	in the vicinity of <b>Beaver Reef</b>	All Year
N/A	in the vicinity of <b>Cape Tribulation Bay</b> (intertidal area)	All Year
N/A	<b>Cod Hole Locality</b> ( <a href="#">site arrangement</a> ) note airspace height limit 500ft <sup>CPOM</sup>	All Year
N/A	in the vicinity of the coastal intertidal area between the <b>Daintree and Bloomfield Rivers</b>	All Year
14-118	in the vicinity of <b>Eagle Island</b> (Lizard Island Group)	All Year
15-065	<b>East Hope Island Reef 9</b> ( <a href="#">site arrangement</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	All Year
16-049	<b>Green Island Reef Location</b> ( <a href="#">site arrangement</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	All Year
N/A	<b>Lizard Island Locality 1</b> ( <a href="#">site arrangement</a> ) note airspace height limit 500ft <sup>1</sup>	All Year
N/A	<b>Michaelmas Cay Locality</b> ( <a href="#">site arrangement</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	All Year
N/A	<b>Sudbury Cay Locality</b> ( <a href="#">site arrangement</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	All Year
16-054	in the vicinity of <b>Fitzroy Island Reef</b>	All Year
17-009, 17-012 17-013	<b>Frankland Islands Sector</b> <sup>1</sup> (High Island Reef (17-009), Normanby Island Reef (17-012a), Jones Patch (17-012b), Russell and Round Islands Reefs (17-013)) ( <a href="#">site arrangement</a> )	All Year
N/A	<b>Low Island Locality</b> ( <a href="#">site arrangement</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	All Year
15-003	in the vicinity of <b>Low Wooded Island</b>	1 Sept to 31 Mar
14-115	in the vicinity of <b>Nymph Island</b> (Turtle Group)	All Year
14-132	in the vicinity of <b>Rocky Islets</b> (Three Islands Group)	All Year
14-116d	in the vicinity of <b>Seabird Islet</b> (Lizard Island Group) (intertidal area)	All Year
17-046	in the vicinity of <b>Sisters Island</b> (South Barnards Islands)	All Year
16-006	<b>Snapper Island Reef Location</b> ( <a href="#">site arrangement</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	All Year
17-046	in the vicinity of <b>Stephens Island</b> (South Barnards Islands)	All Year
16-004	in the vicinity of <b>Struck Island</b>	All Year
17-064	in the vicinity of <b>Taylor Cay</b>	1 Sept to 31 Mar
15-005	in the vicinity of <b>Three Islands</b> (Three Islands Group)	All Year
14-120	in the vicinity of <b>Turtle Group Islands</b> (Turtle Group)	All Year
15-002	in the vicinity of <b>Two Islands</b> (Three Islands Group)	All Year
15-064	<b>West Hope Island Reef</b> ( <a href="#">site arrangement</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	All Year
Townsville/Whitsunday Management Areas		
All	<b>Hinchinbrook Island - Dugong Protection Area</b> <sup>2</sup>	All Year
18-013b	in the vicinity of <b>Eva Island</b> <sup>2</sup>	1 Oct–31 Mar
18-008d	in the vicinity of <b>Middle Island</b> (Brook Islands) <sup>2</sup>	All Year
17-053a	in the vicinity of Mound ( <b>Purtaboi</b> ) Island <sup>2</sup>	1 Oct–31 Mar
18-008a	in the vicinity of <b>North Island</b> (Brook Islands) <sup>2</sup>	All Year
18-008c	in the vicinity of <b>South Island</b> (Brook Islands) <sup>2</sup>	1 Oct–31 Mar
18-008b	in the vicinity of <b>Tween Island</b> (Brook Islands) <sup>2</sup>	All Year
17-053c	in the vicinity of <b>Woln-Garin Island</b> <sup>2</sup>	1 Oct–31 Mar
N/A	<b>All setting 5 (protected) areas within the Whitsunday Plan of Management</b> <sup>2</sup>	All Year
20-022	<b>Armit Island</b> (South Beach only) <sup>3</sup>	1 Oct–31 Mar
20-019b	in the vicinity of <b>Bird Island</b> <sup>3</sup>	All Year
20-024	in the vicinity of <b>Double Cone Island</b> (West Island only) <sup>3</sup>	1 Oct–31 Mar
20-054	in the vicinity of <b>East Rock</b> <sup>3</sup>	All Year
20-026	in the vicinity of <b>Edwin Rock</b> <sup>3</sup>	All Year
20-012	in the vicinity of <b>Eshelby Islands</b> <sup>3</sup>	All Year
20-030	in the vicinity of <b>Grassy Island</b> <sup>3</sup>	1 Oct–31 Mar
20-023	in the vicinity of <b>Little Armit Island</b> <sup>3</sup>	1 Oct–31 Mar
20-021	in the vicinity of <b>Olden Rock</b> (south-east of Olden Island) <sup>3</sup>	1 Oct–31 Mar
20-102	in the vicinity of <b>Shaw Island</b> (Burning Point beach only) <sup>3</sup>	1 Oct–31 Mar
20-210	in the vicinity of <b>South Repulse Island</b> (West Beach only) <sup>3</sup>	1 Oct–31 Mar
N/A	in the vicinity of <b>all Great Barrier Reef Coast Marine Park rivers, streams and inlets between Edgecumbe Bay (Adelaide Point) and Midge Point</b>	All Year
18-057	in the vicinity of <b>Albino Rock</b>	1 Oct to 31 Mar
19-017	in the vicinity of <b>Bare Islet</b>	1 Oct to 31 Mar
18-001b	in the vicinity of <b>Battleship Rock</b> (Pee-rahm-ah Island)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
19-007	in the vicinity of <b>Bay Rock</b>	1 Oct to 31 Mar
20-017	in the vicinity of <b>Black Island</b>	All Year

N/A	in the vicinity of <b>Cape Bowling Green Spit</b>	All Year
18-060	in the vicinity of <b>Dido Rock</b>	1 Oct to 31 Mar
20-041	in the vicinity of <b>Gulnare Inlet</b> (Whitsunday Island)	All Year
19-103	in the vicinity of <b>Holbourne Island</b>	1 Oct to 31 Mar
N/A	<b>Great Palm Island Conservation Park Zone</b> (CP-18-4054)	All Year
20-028	in the vicinity of <b>Macona Inlet</b> (Hook Island)	All Year
20-028	in the vicinity of <b>Nara Inlet</b> (Hook Island)	All Year
N/A	<b>Palm Island Group Habitat Protection Zone</b> (HP-18-5146)	All Year
<b>Mackay/Capricorn Management Areas</b>		
22-067	in the vicinity of <b>Akens Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	All Year
21-378	in the vicinity of <b>Aquila Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
21-379a	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Avoid Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
N/A	in the vicinity of <b>Byfield Area</b>	All Year
21-372	in the vicinity of <b>Bald Islet</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
23-031	in the vicinity of <b>Barren Island</b> (Keppel Group)	All Year
22-064	in the vicinity of <b>Bay Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	All Year
23-048	in the vicinity of <b>Broomfield Island</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
20-310	in the vicinity of <b>Bushy Island</b>	1 Oct to 31 Mar
22-038	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Clara Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
23-081	in the vicinity of <b>East Fairfax Island Reef</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
23-080	in the vicinity of <b>East Hoskyn Island Reef</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
23-068	in the vicinity of <b>Erskine Island Reef</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
21-206	in the vicinity of <b>Distant Cay Reef</b>	All Year
22-015	in the vicinity of <b>Flock Pidgeon Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
23-028	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Girt Island</b> (Keppel Group)	All Year
23-052	in the vicinity of <b>Heron Island</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
23-082	in the vicinity of <b>Lady Musgrave Island Reef</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
23-069	in the vicinity of <b>Masthead Island Reef</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
23-045	in the vicinity of <b>North Reef</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
23-049	in the vicinity of <b>North West Island</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
N/A	in the vicinity of <b>Pancake Creek</b>	All Year
22-074	in the vicinity of <b>Pelican Rock</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	All Year
20-310	in the vicinity of <b>Redbill Islet</b> (Cumberland Islands), excluding the intertidal areas	1 Oct to 31 Mar
20-310	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Redbill Islet</b> (Cumberland Islands)	All Year
21-367	in the vicinity of <b>Red Clay Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Sept to 31 Mar
21-172	in the vicinity of <b>Riptide Cay Reef</b> (Swains Cays)	All Year
23-056	in the vicinity of <b>Rundle Island</b>	All Year
22-062	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Swan Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
22-044	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Ten Pin Cay</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	1 Oct to 31 Mar
23-030	in the vicinity of <b>The Child</b> (Keppel Group)	All Year
22-077	intertidal areas adjacent to <b>Triangular Island</b> (Shoalwater Bay Group)	All Year
23-046	in the vicinity of <b>Tryon Island Reef</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
23-081	in the vicinity of <b>West Fairfax Island Reef</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
21-316	in the vicinity of <b>West Hill Island</b>	1 Sept to 31 Mar
23-080	in the vicinity of <b>West Hoskyn Island Reef</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year
23-050	in the vicinity of <b>Wilson Island Reef</b> (Capricorn/Bunker Group)	All Year

<sup>1</sup> Cairns Area POM 1998 (Cth)

<sup>2</sup> Hinchinbrook POM 2004 (Cth)

<sup>3</sup> Whitsundays POM 1998 (Cth)

## Implementation

88. This information sheet will be reviewed and updated at least every three (3) years.
89. The [Permission System Policy](#) and other assessment guidelines are available that provide further detail on how the Managing Agencies assesses, decides and manages specific aspects of the permission system and application process.
90. For actions that are wholly or partially outside the Marine Parks, the Reef Authority will continue to liaise with the Commonwealth Department responsible for the *Environment Biodiversity and Conservation Act 1999*. Where a bilateral agreement exists between the Australian Government and the Queensland Government, depending on the terms of the agreement the Commonwealth Department's role may be delivered by the Queensland Government. The Reef Authority will work with both levels of government according to agreed procedures, such as a Memorandum of Understanding, to provide advice on matters that may affect the Great Barrier Reef.

## Definitions

Refer to the [GBRMPA ELibrary: Environmental Impact Management: Permission System](#) for a list of general definitions relating to the permission system.

### Ship

Has the meaning given by section 32 of the GBRMP Regulations.

### 'in the vicinity of' means:

- (a) for a specified bay, island or mainland, those waters and land between the high water mark on the coastline and a line every point of which is a distance of 1 kilometre seaward from that high water mark; or
- (b) for a specified reef, those waters and land enclosed by a line every point of which is a distance of 1 kilometre seaward from the reef edge of that reef; or
- (c) in relation to rivers, streams and inlets that part of those rivers, streams and inlets that are in the Great Barrier Reef Coast Marine Park.

### 'waters adjacent to'

in relation to a reef, means the waters enclosed by 'the 500 metre line' and in relation to an island or the mainland, the waters enclosed by 'the coastal 500 metre line' (as defined by the zoning plan or Marine Park regulation that applies to those waters).

## Supporting information

Links to supporting information are provided throughout the document.

## Further information

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