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PORT NOTICE

Covering of Vehicles Carrying Loose Bulk Material

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General Manager, Operations



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PREFACE

This Port Notice is issued pursuant to Section 57 of the Ports Management Act 2015 (NT).

SCOPE

Except where otherwise exempt, this Port Notice applies to all vehicles carrying loose bulk material within East Arm Wharf to reduce material that is likely to be dislodged by the effect of air flow across the load or rough road conditions.

DIRECTION

All vehicles used to transport loose bulk product within East Arm Wharf must be covered. Exemptions from the mandatory requirement to cover loose bulk loads **may** be considered at Darwin Port's sole and absolute discretion, where it can be demonstrated that the removal of covers will not increase the levels of dust or material falling from the vehicles.

Applications for exemptions must be made in advance of operations commencing and in writing with an accompanying public roads exemption, issued pursuant to Regulation 24A(2), *Traffic Regulations 1999 (NT)* from the Director of Transport or Delegate to the Wharf and Bulk Materials Superintendent mailto:cargo@darwinport.com.au If granted, any approval may be subject to conditions which could include, but may not be limited to, the requirement for continuous road sweeping during operations.

Vehicles transporting loose bulk material are to reduce the level of the load so that the product does not rise above the wind line of the vehicle transporting the product.

For the avoidance of doubt, any exemption issued by Darwin Port in accordance with this Port Notice may be revoked at any time should the Darwin Port Landside Officer consider dust levels are unacceptable or the amount of product on the roadway is excessive and will impact vehicle and road safety.

REVIEW STATEMENT

This direction will be reviewed biennially by the Port Management Officer.

REFERENCE LEGISLATION

- Port Management Act 2015 (NT)
- Regulation 147, Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulations 2011 (NT)
- Traffic Regulations 1999 (NT)
- NT Government Motor Vehicle Registry V59 Mandatory Covering of Loose Bulk Loads on Vehicles Exceeding 12 tonnes GVM

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