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## **PORT NOTICE**

### **Shipping Channels – Darwin**

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## PREFACE

This Port Notice is issued pursuant to Section 57 of the *Ports Management Act*.

## SCOPE

This Port Notice applies within the gazetted Port of Darwin as detailed in Figure 1.



**Figure 1: Darwin Port Limits**

## DIRECTION

The master of a vessel must not anchor or permit the vessel to be anchored:

- In a shipping channel except in an emergency; or
- In a manner that is likely to obstruct or impede the safe passage or navigation of another vessel or create a hazard to the safe passage, navigation or operation of another vessel.

The following coordinates define the shipping channels in the Port of Darwin:

<b>Outer Channel</b>	12° 19.130' E	130° 40.275' E
	12° 20.596' S	130° 42.907' E
	12° 21.228' S	130° 43.433' E
	12° 23.520' S	130° 44.680' E
	12° 26.073' S	130° 46.823' E
	12° 28.112' S	130° 48.340' E
	12° 28.780' S	130° 48.710' E
	12° 28.750' S	130° 49.086' E
	12° 28.575' S	130° 49.232' E
	12° 28.078' S	130° 49.247' E
	12° 21.850' S	130° 44.140' E
	12° 21.080' S	130° 43.630' E
	12° 20.521' S	130° 43.162' E
	12° 18.600' E	130° 41.700' E
	12° 18.183' S	130° 41.058' E

<b>Sadgroves Channel</b>	12° 28.269' S	130° 51.187' E
	12° 28.010' S	130° 51.242' E
	12° 27.788' S	130° 51.240' E
	12° 27.492' S	130° 51.150' E
	12° 27.350' S	130° 51.109' E
	12° 27.322' S	130° 50.928' E
	12° 27.350' S	130° 50.924' E
	12° 27.372' S	130° 51.081' E
	12° 27.488' S	130° 51.088' E
	12° 27.488' S	130° 50.989' E
	12° 27.484' S	130° 50.958' E
	12° 27.543' S	130° 50.952' E
	12° 27.543' S	130° 51.090' E
	12° 27.818' S	130° 51.151' E
	12° 28.135' S	130° 51.097' E
	12° 28.196' S	130° 51.035' E

<b>Middle Arm Channel</b>	12° 28.780' S	130° 48.710' E
	12° 30.325' S	130° 49.530' E
	12° 31.329' S	130° 50.070' E
	12° 31.500' E	130° 50.542' E
	12° 31.778' E	130° 50.850' E
	12° 31.505' E	130° 51.022' E
	12° 31.320' E	130° 50.950' E
	12° 30.733' S	130° 50.509' E
	12° 29.342' E	130° 49.443' E
	12° 28.750' S	130° 49.086' E

<b>Bladin Channel</b>	12° 29.908' S	130° 52.752' E
	12° 30.397' S	130° 53.245' E
	12° 30.486' S	130° 53.674' E
	12° 30.627' S	130° 54.442' E
	12° 30.534' S	130° 54.958' E
	12° 30.347' S	130° 54.923' E
	12° 30.188' S	130° 54.160' E
	12° 30.299' S	130° 53.710' E
	12° 30.015' S	130° 53.110' E
	12° 29.926' S	130° 53.000' E
	12° 29.800' S	130° 52.920' E
	12° 29.679' S	130° 52.939' E

<b>Channel Island Channel</b>	12° 31.329' S	130° 50.070' E
	12° 33.750' S	130° 51.278' E
	12° 33.571' S	130° 51.720' E
	12° 33.420' S	130° 51.690' E
	12° 33.420' S	130° 51.610' E
	12° 32.850' S	130° 51.180' E
	12° 31.500' E	130° 50.542' E

<b>Hudson Creek Channel</b>	12° 30.299' S	130° 53.710' E
	12° 30.188' S	130° 54.160' E
	12° 30.217' S	130° 54.302' E
	12° 29.418' S	130° 55.132' E
	12° 29.293' S	130° 55.482' E
	12° 29.135' S	130° 55.680' E
	12° 28.771' S	130° 55.989' E
	12° 28.688' S	130° 55.879' E
	12° 29.027' S	130° 55.510' E
	12° 29.205' S	130° 55.460' E
	12° 29.349' S	130° 55.050' E
	12° 29.915' S	130° 54.200' E
	12° 30.126' S	130° 53.344' E

<b>City Channel</b>	12° 28.575' S	130° 49.232' E
	12° 28.775' S	130° 50.410' E
	12° 28.960' S	130° 51.530' E
	12° 28.600' S	130° 51.442' E
	12° 28.269' S	130° 51.187' E
	12° 28.196' S	130° 51.035' E
	12° 28.358' S	130° 50.658' E
	12° 28.452' S	130° 50.465' E

<b>MSB Channel</b>	12° 30.015' S	130° 53.110' E
	12° 29.911' S	130° 53.277' E
	12° 29.807' S	130° 53.419' E
	12° 29.663' S	130° 53.446' E
	12° 29.578' S	130° 53.497' E
	12° 29.430' S	130° 53.431' E
	12° 29.424' S	130° 53.400' E
	12° 29.591' S	130° 53.368' E
	12° 29.647' S	130° 53.382' E
	12° 29.779' S	130° 53.336' E
	12° 29.913' S	130° 53.131' E
	12° 29.926' S	130° 53.000' E

	12° 30.325' S	130° 54.817' E
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	12° 29.415' S	130° 54.059' E
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<b>MOF Channel</b>	12° 30.229' S	130° 54.933' E
	12° 30.260' S	130° 55.477' E
	12° 30.474' S	130° 55.608' E
	12° 30.598' S	130° 55.505' E
	12° 30.944' S	130° 55.695' E
	12° 30.944' S	130° 55.830' E
	12° 30.730' S	130° 56.015' E
	12° 30.398' S	130° 55.868' E
	12° 30.148' S	130° 55.689' E
	12° 30.067' S	130° 54.880' E
	12° 30.268' S	130° 54.544' E

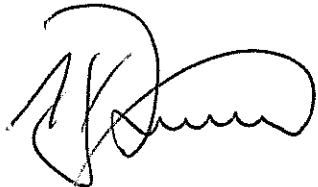
<b>MUBR Channel</b>	12° 29.524' S	130° 53.988' E
	12° 30.087' S	130° 53.501' E
	12° 30.026' S	130° 53.750' E
	12° 29.546' S	130° 54.023' E
	12° 29.429' S	130° 54.098' E

## REVIEW STATEMENT

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

## REFERENCE LEGISLATION

- *Ports Management Act*
- *Marine Act Section 115A – Duty not to Obstruct*



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## Shipping Channels in the Port of Darwin

