

20 August 2026

To the owner, master and/or occupier of the Northwest Ord

NORTHWEST ORD – SECTION 42(2) DIRECTION

We refer to the vessel, the Northwest Ord (also referred to as the NW Ord (USI 453056 – IN009)) sunk in Blessers Creek at approximately 12° 27.958, 130° 54.098.

Darwin Port is concerned the deteriorating condition of the vessel is a threat or danger to the vessel, persons and environment.

Therefore, in accordance with section 42(2) of the Ports Management Act 2015 (NT), we direct you to do one or more of the following preventative actions within 14 days of this direction:

- remove the vessel from the port;
- move the vessel to another safe place within the port;
- repair the vessel and make it safe;
- destroy the vessel and all fittings and fitting on board;
- sell or otherwise dispose of the vessel, and all fittings and equipment on board.

If you fail to take one or more of the above preventative actions within the 14-day timeframe, Darwin Port may, at your cost, carry out one or more of those actions.

A failure to comply with this direction is an offence of strict liability under section 42(6) of the *Ports Management Act 2015* (NT).

Please contact Peter Sedwick on 0497 199 726 or via email: peter.sedgwick@darwinport.com if you wish to discuss this matter.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Peter Sedgwick'.

Peter Sedgwick
Senior Manager Marine Operations & Port Management Officer