

Marine Information Bulletin

Registration limits of commercial ships in restricted offshore waters

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to outline Maritime Safety Queensland's position in regard to the registration and operation of commercial ships in restricted offshore waters as a Class C vessel.

Background

The *Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Regulation 2004* (the Regulation) outlines the requirements for first registration of commercial ships at section 65. An alternative to the normal registration requirements for commercial ships under six metres in measured length is provided at section 66 of the Regulation.

Requirements

Maritime Safety Queensland has developed the following table as guidance for designers, builders, surveyors, owners and operators on the acceptable limits for commercial ships in restricted offshore waters and to assist in discharging their general safety obligation.

Information

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Length	Vessel type	Propulsion	Compliance documents	Registration class and limits
6 m and greater, but less than 10 m	Open	2 x Outboard, or 1 x Inboard Diesel	CoC DGN, STB, SUR & SAF	2C 30 nautical miles (nm) from safe haven and the coast
6 m and greater, but less than 10 m	Open	1 x Outboard	CoC DGN, STB, SUR & SAF	2C 5 nm to sea & 30 nm laterally along coast
6 m and greater, but less than 10 m	Decked	2 x Outboard, or 1 x Inboard Diesel	CoC DGN, STB, SUR & SAF	2C 50 nm from coast or GBRZ and TSZ
6m and greater, but less than 10 m	Decked	1 x Outboard	CoC DGN, STB, SUR & SAF	1C or 2C 5 nm to sea & 30 nm laterally along coast
Less than 6 m	Open or decked	2 x Outboard, or 1 x Inboard Diesel	PFS & SS; or CoC SUR; or CoC BLD	2C 15 nm from the coast
Less than 6 m	Open or decked	1 x Outboard	PFS & SS; or CoC SUR; or CoC BLD	2C 5nm to sea & 30 nm laterally along coast

Notes: CoC: Certificates of Compliance for Design (DGN), Stability (STB), Survey (SUR) and Safety Equipment (SAF)
 PFS: Positive Flotation Statement in the approved form
 SS: Statement of Suitability
 GBRZ: Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Zone
 TSZ: Torres Strait Zone