

GUIDANCE NOTE NO: 59/2001

REVISION NO: 2

Issue of Temporary Permit to Serve As Coxswain for Operation of Pearl Cleaning Vessels within Gazetted Pearling Leases

Applicants requiring a temporary permit to serve for the operation as master of pearl cleaning vessels within Northern Territory pearling leases need to:

1. Complete an application form;
2. Provide proof of identification – refer to Guidance Note No. 46/2000;
Note: A minimum age requirements for the issue of a permit is 18 years;
3. Satisfactorily complete an eyesight test with an optometrist or doctor (an eyesight test form is available from this office).
Note: For temporary permit holders only a pass in the eyesight test is valid for five (5) years.
4. Hold a current Senior First Aid certificate;
5. Provide written verification of at least 3 months service on pearl cleaning vessels;
6. Pass a practical and oral assessment onboard the vessel and demonstrate knowledge based on the syllabus in Attachment “A”;
7. Pay fees of \$83 (\$30 for assessment; \$33 for practical assessment and \$20 for the issue of the Permit);
8. Provide 2 colour passport photographs; and
9. Provide 2 signed signature labels.

A practical and oral assessment onboard the vessel will only be undertaken after Items 1-5 and 7-9 have been completed and provided to the Marine Safety Branch.

The permit will be restricted to operation of pearl cleaning vessels within gazetted pearling leases and valid initially for a maximum of 2 years for daylight operations only and may be revalidated for 2 year periods thereafter provided the eyesight test and first aid certificates remain valid. A revalidation fee of \$25 is applicable.

Fees include GST where applicable.

Any enquiries relating to the issue of a permit should be directed to the Senior Nautical Adviser, telephone 8924 7133.

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SYLLABUS FOR PRACTICAL/THEORY EXAMINATION
FOR ISSUE OF A TEMPORARY PERMIT TO SERVE

1. SAFETY EQUIPMENT/DISTRESS SIGNALS

- (a) Describe the safety equipment required for the vessel(s).
- (b) Where is it stowed.
- (c) Demonstrate the wearing of a lifejacket.
- (d) What distress signals are onboard?
- (e) Demonstrate how they are used.
- (f) What other means you can use to indicate a distress situation.

2. EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

- (a) List action taken in the event of an electrical fire in engine compartment.
- (b) Action taken in the event of flooding.

3. RECOGNITION OF ENGINE FAULTS

- (a) Overheating.
- (b) Loss of oil pressure.
- (c) Lack of fuel.

4. ENGINE CHECKS (PRESTART)

- (a) Fuel system
- (b) Lube oil.
- (c) Battery system.
- (d) Water intake valve.

5. ENGINE CHECKS (POST START)

- (a) Cooling water flow.
- (b) Fuel or water leaks.
- (c) Oil pressure.

6. PRECAUTIONS TAKEN WHEN REFUELLING VESSEL.

7. ABILITY TO USE COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT ONBOARD

8. RULES OF THE ROAD

- (a) Head on.
- (b) Crossing.
- (c) Overtaking.
- (d) Giving way.

VESSEL HANDLING

- 1. UNBERTHING (In various wind/current conditions)**
- 2. BERTHING (In various wind/current conditions)**
- 3. MAN OVERBOARD PROCEDURES**
 - (a) Incorporating short turn around
 - (b) Using current and wind to advantage.
 - (c) Steps in recovering person
 - (d) Speed and position of vessel in conjunction with person.
 - (e) Communication with crew
- 4. COMING UP TO FIXED OBJECT OR MOORING**
 - (a) Utilising wind and current to advantage.
 - (b) Speed of vessel.
 - (c) Maintaining directional control of vessel ahead and astern.
- 5. EMERGENCY STOP MAINTAINING DIRECTIONAL CONTROL**
- 6. DISCUSS RESPONSIBILITIES OF MASTER AND CREW.**
- 7. ACTION TAKEN IN THE EVENT OF A STEERING MALFUNCTION**
- 8. DEMONSTRATE STOP/START PROCEDURES.**